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Ship Traffic Operating Protocol for the Sabine-Neches Waterway
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On November 20, 2009, the membership of the Southeast Texas Waterways Advisory Council (SETWAC) endorsed the Sabine Pilot's revised Ship Traffic Operating Protocol for the Sabine-Neches Waterway as a statement of best practices and prudent seamanship for State piloted vessels on the Sabine-Neches Waterway.

This document is recognized by the Captain of the Port of Port Arthur as the basic foundation for State piloted deep draft vessel scheduling on the Sabine-Neches Waterway and reflects prudent standards of care.

Copies of the document are available at either the Sabine Pilots Website at http://www.sabinepilots.com or the VTS Port Arthur Web site at http://www.uscg.mil/d8/vtsportarthur/msib.asp

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