



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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June 9, 2007

Channel Closure for Movement of the Rigs FORESIGHT DRILLER VII and KS VENTURE Orange, Texas to Sea

The drill rigs **FORESIGHT DRILLER VII** and **KS VENTURE**, presently moored at **Beacon Marine** in **Orange, TX**, will depart under tow at 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 9, 2007, en route for sea.

To facilitate the safe transit of these rigs, the Captain of the Port, Port Arthur, has issued a temporary Safety Zone for June 9, 2007 from 3 a.m. until 3 p.m. The Safety Zone will include the Sabine River (ICWW mile 260) from Beacon Marine in Orange, TX to the Neches River Intersection (ICWW mile 277) to Texaco Island Intersection in Port Arthur, TX (ICWW mile 290) including the Sabine-Neches Canal.

As the **FORESIGHT DRILLER VII** and **KS VENTURE** transit through the Safety Zone, all waters 100 yards or more behind the tows will be opened to all traffic.

Under the conditions of the Safety Zone, no vessel may enter or remain in the Safety Zone without the permission of the Captain of the Port, Port Arthur. Vessel Traffic Service Port Arthur and the on scene Coast Guard patrol vessel will coordinate traffic and enforce the Safety Zone. VTS Port Arthur may be contacted on channel 65A, 01A or 13 VHF-FM.

This notice will be posted on the **HOMEPORT** website <http://homeport.uscg.mil>. If you have any questions, please call **MSU Port Arthur** at (409) 723-6500.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. M. Measells", is written over the typed name and title.

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By direction