

2021 Gulf Inland Waterways Joint Hurricane Team Response Protocol Review WEBINAR AGENDA

Welcome Jim Stark, GICA

Opening Remarks CAPT Blake Welborn – Eighth Coast Guard District

National Weather Service Season Outlook - Ms. Lauren Nash, NWS

Presentations Discussion of previous seasons' best practices, lessons learned, new initiatives, areas for improvement

General Review of Joint Hurricane Protocol - Jim Stark, GICA

NOAA Navigation Services – Tim Osborn

Eighth Coast Guard District, Waterways Management and Bridge Ops – Doug Blakemore

USACE New Orleans District – Vic Landry

US Coast Guard Sector New Orleans – LCDR Thao Nguyen
MSU Morgan City, MSU Houma, MSU Baton Rouge, VTS New Orleans, VTS Berwick Bay Reps

USACE Mobile District – Nate Lovelace

US Coast Guard Sector Mobile - CDR Jason Franz

USACE Galveston District – Chris Frabotta

US Coast Guard Sector Houston/Galveston - LCDR Sarah Rousseau, Brian Smith, James Prazak, Scott Whalen - **MSU Texas City, MSU Port Arthur, MSU Lake Charles, VTS Houston, VTS Port Arthur**

US Coast Guard Sector/Airsta Corpus Christi - LCDR Margaret Brown

Open Discussion Items - Wrap up



2021 Gulf Coast Inland Waterways Joint Hurricane Response Protocol



Joint Hurricane Response Protocol

- Memorandum of Understanding – the Basis
- Federal and State Partners – the Team
- Protocol – the Framework
- Barge Industry Responsibilities – Just One Piece

Joint Hurricane Team (JHT)

....cooperative (e.g., government and industry) approach to reopening the maritime commerce along waterways impacted by a natural disaster.

- Partners
 - ◆ USCG, USACE, NOAA, States, Local Authorities
 - ◆ GICA, AWO, Associations, Private Industry Participants
 - ◆ Port Authorities, Levee and Flood Protection Authorities

Joint Hurricane Team (JHT)

INDUSTRY RESPONSE TEAMS

- Lead – GICA President
- Incident Command Team Reps
 - ◆ Primary and Secondary
- Self Help Plan Team
- Waterway Assessment Team
- Logistics Support Center Team

Barge Industry Member Responsibilities

- Comms to Industry
- Single Point of Contact
- Pre-Storm Information to Government
- Relocation of Vessels to Safe Harbor
- Info Source for, and Assist to, MTSRU
- Reps to CG Command Centers
- Coord with local Flood Control Authorities

Barge Industry Member Responsibilities (cont)

- Self Help – Assist Vessels, Coordinate vessel coordinators
- Provide waterway assessment vessels and qualified personnel to carry out surveys
- Logistics support for response
- Participate in Waterways Response Conference Calls
- Update Points of Contact and JHT information

Conference Calls

- Pre and Post Storm calls
- Port Coordination Teams
 - ◆ COTP led
 - ◆ Safely / Efficiently Securing Traffic
 - ◆ And resuming Traffic Post-storm
- Waterways Restoration
 - ◆ USACE led
 - ◆ Prepare for, and Conduct Waterways Restoration
 - ◆ Review Pre and Post Storm Actions
- Calls are typically closely coordinated

Pre and Post Storm Actions

- Pre
 - ◆ Waterway Impacts/Closures
 - ◆ Flood Control Status
 - ◆ Locks – Bridges
- Post
 - ◆ Assessments
 - ◆ Logistics
 - ◆ Channel Clearing / Salvage
 - ◆ Resume operations

Today's Meeting

- Look Back at Last Year's Responses to Gulf Coast Hurricanes – what worked, what needs work?
- Partners Outline Roles / Concerns
- Changes Over the Past Year?
 - ◆ Policy Changes
 - ◆ Process Changes
 - ◆ Physical Waterways Changes
 - ◆ People and Position Changes
- Recommended Protocol Changes
- Goal – Smooth Protocol and Ops This Season!

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- Updated Protocol for 2021 will be published on GICA Website: www.gicaonline.com

GICA 116th Annual Seminar



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Our speaker list and presentations this year will again be highlighted by senior leaders in industry, politics and our Federal partners. We'll have relevant, timely, and interesting topics addressing the inland waterways....*and golf!*

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