

Notice to Navigation Interests

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Notice No. 04-18 Date: April 1, 2004

Opekiska L/D, Monongahela River, Mile 115.4
8-Hour Closure of 84' x 600' Lock Chamber to
Inspect and Repair the Upstream Emergency Bulkheads
and

25-Day Closure of the Single 84' x 600' Lock Chamber to Repair Downstream Lock Gates, Sill, and Miter Blocks

1. To All Whom It May Concern:

- a. Notice is given that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will inspect and repair the upstream emergency bulkheads for the lock chamber at Opekiska L/D, Monongahela River, Mile 115.4. The inspection and repairs to the bulkheads are necessary to prepare for the May 3 through May 27, 2004 dewatering of the lock chamber. The inspection is scheduled from 8:00 A.M to 4:00 P.M. on April 13, 2004.
- b. Notice is given that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Repair Fleet will close and dewater the single 84' x 600' lock chamber at Opekiska L/D, Monongahela River, Mile 115.4, to repair the downstream lock gates, sill, and miter blocks. Operating problems with the gates have required that the chamber be dewatered to perform the repairs. Work is scheduled to begin at 8:00 A.M. on May 3, 2004 and be completed by 11:00 P.M. on May 27, 2004.
- 2. The single 84' x 600' lock chamber will be closed during both the 8-hour closure and the 25-day closure. No traffic will pass through the lock during these work periods.
- 3. Operating problems with the downstream lock gates have made it necessary to schedule this work.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

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Readiness Division