



Coast Guard Sector Houston-Galveston Marine Safety Information Bulletin 39-19

Closure of Clear Creek Channel 5/10/19

As of May 10, 2019 at 6:00 P.M., the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Houston-Galveston Captain of the Port has established an emergency temporary safety zone and closure of the Clear Creek Channel from the entrance to Clear Lake extending east to Light 66 on the Houston Ship Channel and north up to but not including the Bayport Ship Channel. This emergency safety zone is required to protect persons, property, and infrastructure from potential damage and safety hazards associated with pollution and salvage operations of a collision between a deep draft vessel and a towing vessel with two barges. Please be advised that this closure coincides with an additional closure of the Houston Ship Channel between Light 61 and 75, as established by VTS Houston/Galveston.

The U.S. Coast Guard Captain of the Port is working in close coordination with local and state authorities to continuously evaluate the Houston Ship Channel and affected waterways to reassess the status of the closures and will continue to update mariners. Local residents should continue to follow any direction provided by the County officials.

This bulletin shall remain active until rescinded or superseded by future direction.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. D. Oditt".

K. D. Oditt
Captain, United States Coast Guard
Captain of the Port