NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS

DATE: 07/18/2016

POC: M/V EARL FRANKLIN & M/V MILTON
    Marine channels 13 and 16

LOCAL NUMBER: 16-19

WATERWAY: BIG SANDY RIVER

EFFECTIVE: 08/01/2016 00:00 thru 09/16/2016 00:00 EDT

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CHANNEL MAINTENANCE DREDGING

BIG SANDY RIVER, MILES 0.0 TO 9.0

Notice is given that on or about 1 August 2016, channel maintenance dredging will commence in the commercially navigable portion of the Big Sandy River. Amherst Madison, contractor for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will dredge approximately 240,000 cubic yards of material at various locations. Dredging will begin in the vicinity of the mouth and proceed to other upstream locations ending at Mile 9.0. Disposal operations will take place at an approved site located on the Ohio River, between the navigation channel and the right descending bank, between miles 321.0 and 322.0. The nearest known municipal water intakes in the work area are the Kenova municipal intake at Big Sandy River, mile 5.6, and City of Ashland municipal intake on the Ohio River, mile 319.7.

The contractor’s floating plant will consist of the M/V MILTON, the M/V EARL FRANKLIN, two barge mounted cranes, and six material barges. The M/V EARL FRANKLIN will be in the vicinity of the dredge site and should be contacted for passing arrangements on marine channel 13. The M/V MILTON will be used to transport the material barges between the dredge site and the disposal area and will be monitoring marine channel 13. Dredging will be performed Monday through Saturday, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m. midnight and is anticipated to be completed on or about 16 September 2016.

All floating plants will be moored at the worksite during non-working hours and will be lighted according to regulations.

Mariners are urged to transit at their slowest safe speed to minimize wake and proceed with caution after passing arrangements have been made.

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