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River Operations Update

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The challenges of low water conditions throughout the Inland River System continue, with slight improvements.

DREDGING LOCATIONS:

Dredge Barry J – (IL 226 – 228)

Dredge Goetz – (UM 166)

Mechanical Dredge – (UMR 30)

Dredge Pathfinder – (UMR 51.3)

Dredge Potter – (UM 169)

Dredge Jadwin – (LM 487.5)

Dredge Hurley – (LM 663)

Dredge Lawson Hamilton (OH 974)

Dredge Strike Removal – (UMR 274)

ARKANSAS RIVER:

LOCK NAME	MILEPOINT	CLOSURE DATE	CLOSURE
VAN BUREN RAILROAD BRIDGE	300.8	2/7/24 - 2/25/24	FULL
LOCK #2	13.3	2/5/24 - 2/9/24	FULL

TOMBIGBEE RIVER:

LOCK NAME	MILEPOINT	CLOSURE DATE	CLOSURE
DEMOPOLIS	213	1/16/2024	FULL FOR APPROXIMATELY 30 - 60 DAYS

*Traffic can not transit from Mobile to Birmingham.

ILLINOIS RIVER:

Artic conditions and sub-zero temperatures have created excessive amounts of ice formation and causing major delays. Currently, transiting between Lemont to Chicago has been suspended due to heavy ice and the Nickle Plate Bridge being stuck in the down position.



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OHIO RIVER:

LOCK NAME	MILEPOINT	CLOSURE DATE	CLOSURE
MELDAHL LOCK	OH 436.2	11/20/23 - CURRENT	MAIN CHAMBER

UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER:

LOCK NAME	MILEPOINT	CLOSURE DATE	CLOSURE
LOCK 7	702.5	12/4/23 - 3/15/24	FULL
SABULA RR BRIDGE	535	12/11/23 - 3/11/24	FULL
LOCK 17	437	12/18/23 - 3/4/24	FULL

- Please be aware Celtic's Service Agreement under the "Tolls, Taxes, or User Charges" clause gives Celtic the right to bill costs for lock delays.

Weather Highlights:

- Significant cold conditions are expected to continue this morning across the entire Mississippi Valley region in the wake of a strong Arctic blast, however high temperatures will be warmer than the previous days for many. An upper system moving out of the Rockies will bring light snow across the upper and middle Miss.

4-day QPF totals (through next Monday morning):

- Upper MS: Less than ¼" is expected across the Upper Miss.
- Middle MS/Lower Ohio Valley: Up to 1" possible across the middle Miss, with the highest amount across MO.
- Lower MS Valley: Up to 2" possible across the lower Miss, with the highest amounts in western AR/LA.

ANNA WOLVERTON / MARTY POPE – MVD/NWS Meteorologist, USACE



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