



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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Pipeline Removal in Mifflin Range

The Captain of the Port, Delaware Bay, is notifying mariners of an active safety zone on a portion of the Mifflin Range, just upriver of the green buoy 63, on the Delaware River to facilitate dredging, dive operations and pipeline removal.

- The safety zone will be in place through December 4, 2017, unless cancelled earlier by the COTP.
- The hopper dredge 549 will be conducting the dredging operations and will be attended by the towing vessel GRAPE APE.
- Dive operations will follow the completion of dredging operations and will continue through the completion the pipeline removal.
- Mariners are requested to maintain the minimum safe speed to maintain steerage and maintain strict adherence to the rules of the road.

The safety zone is established in all navigable waters within 250 yards of the dredge 549, and associated pipeline removal equipment, to include any equipment located within Anchorage 9 near entrance to Mantua Creek found in 33 CFR 110.157 (a) (10).

Vessels requesting to transit the safety zone shall contact the towing vessel GRAPE APE on VHF-FM channel 13 or 65, at least 1 hour, as well as 30 minutes prior to arrival to arrange safe passage. Vessels may also contact the COTP for permission to enter or transit the safety zone on VHF-FM channel 16.

If you have any questions regarding the content of this bulletin, please contact the Waterways Management Staff at (215) 271-4889/4814 or the Command Center at (215) 271-4807.

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