

VI. CONTINGENCY ROUTING

A. CURRENT PROCEDURES DURING PORT CONSTRUCTION AND

DREDGING: Construction and channel dredging projects may affect vessel navigation. When planning such projects, the contractors should meet with the affected pilot organizations, the Coast Guard and the affected port authorities, to establish safety procedures and communication procedures for vessels and pilots, and to define any proposed restrictions on vessel movements.

Once construction or dredging begins, these same representatives should meet weekly to get up-to-date information for vessels and pilots. Weekly meetings and close coordination will allow projects to proceed smoothly without compromising safe vessel movement.

There are numerous projects currently underway in both the POLA and POLB. The following is a listing of the current and future projects that may impact normal vessel routing:

Current Projects	Location	Planned Completion Date	Traffic Affected (Yes/ No)
Main Channel Deepening	POLA	T.B.D.	Yes
Future Projects	Location	Planned Start Date	Traffic Affected (Yes/No)
Pier S Construction	POLB	T.B.D.	Yes
Pier D, E, F Redevelopment	POLB	CY 2010	Yes
Back Channel Dredging	POLB	T.B.D.	Yes
Main Channel Deepening II	POLB(ACOE)	CY2009	Yes

However small some of these projects may appear to be, the importance for proper coordination and communication is paramount to maintain high safety levels and minimize vessel traffic incidents.

B. VESSEL ROUTING DURING EMERGENCIES: The COTP has developed procedures and instructions for vessel movements during emergencies. For more information see COTP LA/LB Public Notice 03-97 in Appendix D.