

MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SAFETY ADVISORY: **ATCHAFALAYA RIVER**

1. Based on current conditions on the Atchafalaya River, the Captain of the Port Houma has secured nighttime transits for all tows transiting the Morgan City Triple Span Bridges.
2. The prevailing current calculated by set and drift, in the vicinity of the Morgan City Triple Span Bridges has been as high as 4kts. All Mariners are advised to use extreme caution when transiting during daylight operations.
3. All Mariners are advised of shoaling extending from the Morgan City, City Pier to the center of the channel in the vicinity of the Morgan City Triple Span Bridges. The U.S. Coast Guard has marked this shoaling with three green unlit buoys. Per the Army Corps of Engineers Survey (dated February 1st 2019) there are isolated areas with less than 2 feet of water.
4. For further information, contact;

Coast Guard Morgan City Waterways Management: (985) 380-5334

Coast Guard Vessel Traffic Service Berwick Bay (24hrs): (985) 380-5370



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For a current list of MSIBs within the COTP Houma Zone visit: <https://homeport.uscg.mil/houma> and look under "Safety and Security"