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Navigational channel dredging underway

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(Green Bay, WI) – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has begun maintenance dredging of the navigational channel in the outer harbor of Green Bay, north of Long Tail Point. Work started on Monday, October 3, 2016 and will continue for the next six to seven weeks. It is anticipated that all work will be completed by Thanksgiving.

"It is the federal government's responsibility to maintain the navigational channel," explained <u>Brown County Port & Resource Recovery</u> director, Dean Haen. "Dredging keeps shipping channels, ports, marinas and harbors clear and at proper depths so everyone can use the waterways responsibly."

The benefits of this particular dredging effort extend beyond navigation. "When the dredging project is complete, more than 400,000 cubic yards of the material will have been moved to the west island of the Cat Island chain," said Haen. "It's part of the ongoing effort to help protect and restore wildlife habitat in the area. It also shows we can reuse dredge material that meets appropriate standards for the benefit of our environment. It's a win all the way around."

Boaters are asked to watch for dredge equipment in that area. "It is clearly marked, but it never hurts to remind the public that dredging is going on and they should be careful when fishing or boating in the area," said Haen.

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The Port of Green Bay imported/exported 1.9 million tons of cargo in 2015 and has 14 active terminal operators involved in shipping commodities:

- ACE Marine, LLC
- C. Reiss Coal Company
- Construction Resources Management
- Flint Hills Resources
- Fox River Dock Company
- Georgia-Pacific Corporation
- Graymont

- GLC Minerals, LLC
- KK Integrated Logistics, Inc.
- Lafarge North America
- RGL
- Sanimax
- St. Mary's Cement Company
- US Venture

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