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TECHNICAL SUPPORT BRANCH
NAVIGATION BULLETIN NO. 15-03
NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS:

GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY (GIWW)
APALACHICOLA BAY, FLORIDA


Notice is given to mariners that Mike Hooks, Inc.’s dredge “E. STROUD” completed maintenance dredging ahead of schedule on the North-South section of the Apalachicola Bay and is preparing to move to their next assignment on the Apalachicola river portion of the GIWW from approximately Mile 344 to Mile 348. The dredged material will be disposed into estuarine shoreline Disposal Areas 3.1 and 3.2B. This work is expected to be completed in approximately four (4) weeks. Afterwards, the dredge will return to the Apalachicola Bay to perform dredging in an area of the East-West leg of the GIWW at approximately Mile 359.0, placing the dredged material into an existing open water site adjacent to the channel. This work is expected to take about one week to finish.

The dredge will utilize floating and submerged pipeline, in addition to a number of support vessels. All vessels will be lighted in accordance to U.S. Coast Guard Safety Regulations. The dredge plant can be contacted on VHF-FM Channels 13 and 16.

Mariners should exercise extreme caution when transiting these areas.

For further information, please contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Panama City Site Office at (850) 784-9780.

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