



US Army Corps  
of Engineers  
St. Louis District

**Lock and Dam 22**  
TW Current = 6.3 ft.  
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 6.4 ft.  
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 5.3 ft.

**Lock and Dam 24**  
TW Current = 16.1 ft.  
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 16.3 ft.  
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 14.9 ft.

**RM 246.6 - CHANNEL CONDITION**  
Shoaling has been reported in the vicinity of Mile 246.6. Mariners are urged to favor left of the sailing line and exercise caution in the area. An off station buoy has also been reported in the area.

**Lock and Dam 25**  
TW Current = 16.0 ft.  
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 16.6 ft.  
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 15.1 ft.

**RM 241.4 - TRANSIT ADVISORY**  
-Effectively immediately and until further notice, vessels will be required to use an assist vessel as to not land on the damaged DS L&D protection cell northbound or create excess wheel wash when exiting the lock southbound.  
  
-USACE contractor Massman Const. will commence on a new 50-foot diameter guide cell downstream of L&D 25, approx. 340 ft DS of the existing guide wall, until 10/2026. Mariners should be on the lookout for construction activities working in the area. All navigation interest should be alert for, and abide by, any special instructions that may be issued by the Lockmaster.

**Mel Price Locks and Dam**  
TW Current = 4.9 ft.  
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 5.5 ft.  
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 4.1 ft.

**St. Louis**  
Gage = 2.1 ft.  
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 3.1 ft.  
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 0.5 ft.

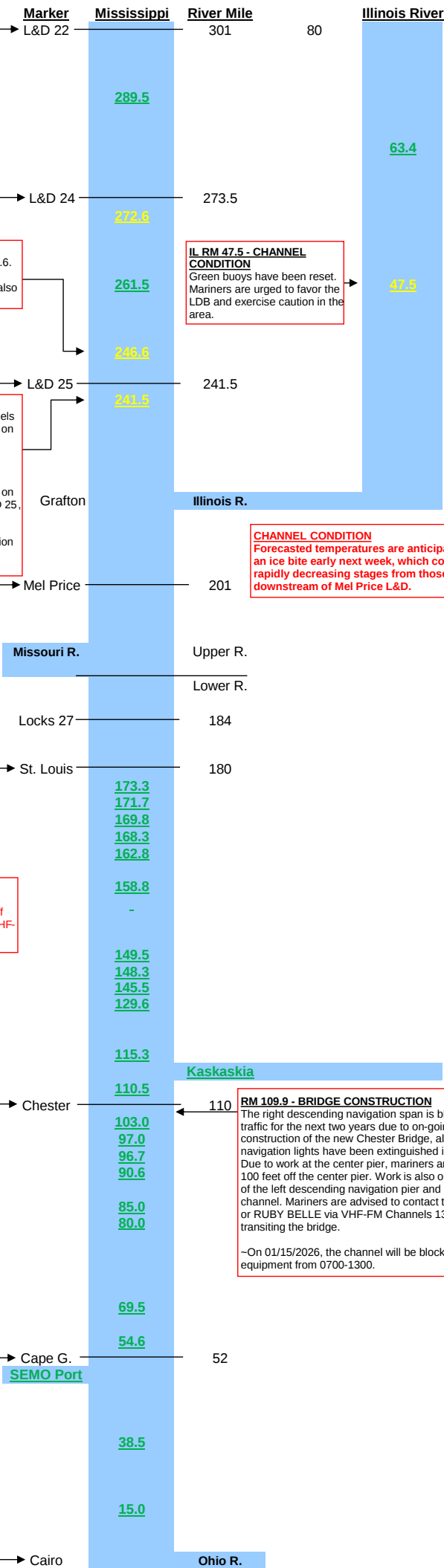
Mariners should be watchful for shoaling areas that could become problematic. These areas should be reported immediately to USACE St. Louis District staff and the USCG Sector Upper Command Center via VHF-FM Ch 16, (314)-269-2332 or at

**Chester**  
Gage = 4.7 ft.  
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 6.7 ft.  
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 4.1 ft.

**Cape Girardeau**  
Gage = 9.9 ft.  
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 12.0 ft.  
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 9.6 ft.

**Cairo**  
Gage = 15.1 ft.  
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 14.6 ft.  
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 9.6 ft.

St. Louis District  
Navigation Channel Condition Status Report - January 14, 2026



**Dredge Status:**

**Dredge Potter:** Currently dockside at the service base.

**Dredge Goetz:** Out of District.

**Mechanical Dredge - Pathfinder:** Demobilized.

**Channel Marker Status:**

Be aware that there may be other buoys off station/missing than the ones mentioned in this report. Mariners should use caution. For ATON or Buoy issues please contact or 319-520-8556 SUMRWaterways@uscg.mil.

**Pathfinder:** Currently running a lower river channel patrol, then will be dockside next week for maintenance.

**Additional Risks / Concerns**

**Controlling Depths:**  
**St. Louis-Herculaneum (RM 185-152)**  
**Mile 162.8: Fines Bluff (LWRP -3.2 @ STL) 9-ft at St. Louis gage of -5.6.**

**Herculaneum-Grand Tower (RM152-80)**  
**Mile 96.7: Wagner/ Roman Landing (LWRP -0.4 @ Chester) 9-ft at Chester gage of -2.8.**

**Grand Tower-Cairo (RM 80-0)**  
**Mile 38.5: Commerce (LWRP 5.4 @ Cape Girardeau) 9-ft at Cape Girardeau gage of 3.1.**

**Navigation Notices**

**Local Notice to Mariners**

**Weather**

Highs from the mid 40s to the mid 20s, lows from the upper 20s to the upper single digits. Chance of snow on Thursday to the North.

Hannibal, MO

St. Louis, MO

Cape Girardeau, MO

Cairo, IL

**Web Information**

For additional River Training Structure information, see the links below:

Current Construction

Recently Completed Construction

For open Regulatory Public Notices, See the link below:

Regulatory Public Notices

For the most recent channel patrol and pre or post dredge surveys, see the links below:

Channel Patrol Surveys

Dredge Surveys

Electronic Navigation charts for the Upper Mississippi River are available online for download or to order at the below link:

Electronic Charts

**More Status Reports**

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| Key:                                                             |                                            | Probable Dredge Areas (9 ft DEPTH) |                 |            |                 |        |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------------|--------|
|                                                                  |                                            | River Mile                         | Problematic On: | Dredge ETA | Dredge Complete | Dredge |
| ⊕                                                                | Current Construction Location              |                                    |                 |            |                 |        |
| ◆                                                                | Anticipated Dredging Locations             |                                    |                 |            |                 |        |
| ☆                                                                | Groundings                                 | »                                  | Mechanical      |            |                 |        |
| △                                                                | Dredge Potter                              | ○                                  | Dredge Goetz    |            |                 |        |
| ▽                                                                | Dredge Bill Holman                         | ⚡                                  | Dredge Hurley   |            |                 |        |
|                                                                  | Very Likely to be Problematic at Low Water |                                    |                 |            |                 |        |
|                                                                  | Could be Problematic at Low Water          |                                    |                 |            |                 |        |
|                                                                  | Problem Resolved/Not Problematic           |                                    |                 |            |                 |        |
| Please email comments or suggestions to dawn.lamm@usace.army.mil |                                            |                                    |                 |            |                 |        |
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