US Army Corps of Engineers
St. Louis District

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Navigation Channel Condition Status Report - April 15, 2026

Lock and Dam 22
TW Current = 16.0 ft.
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 16.7 ft.
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 16.2 ft.

Lock and Dam 24
TW Current = 26.5 ft.
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 27.2 ft.
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 26.6 ft.

RM 273.4 - L/D 24 CONSTRUCTION
Until further notice, construction activities are being conducted on the Dam at L/D 24, at RM 273.4. Tainter gate 1 will not be operational and Tainter gate 2 may be potentially closed as well. There is potential for stronger than normal outdraft conditions at the lower end of the lock. Mariners may contact the Lockmaster via VHF-FM Channel 12, or at (573) 242-3524, for further information.

Lock and Dam 25
TW Current = 25.9 ft.
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 27.0 ft.
TW 2 Wk Forecast = 26.4 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 be constructing 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.

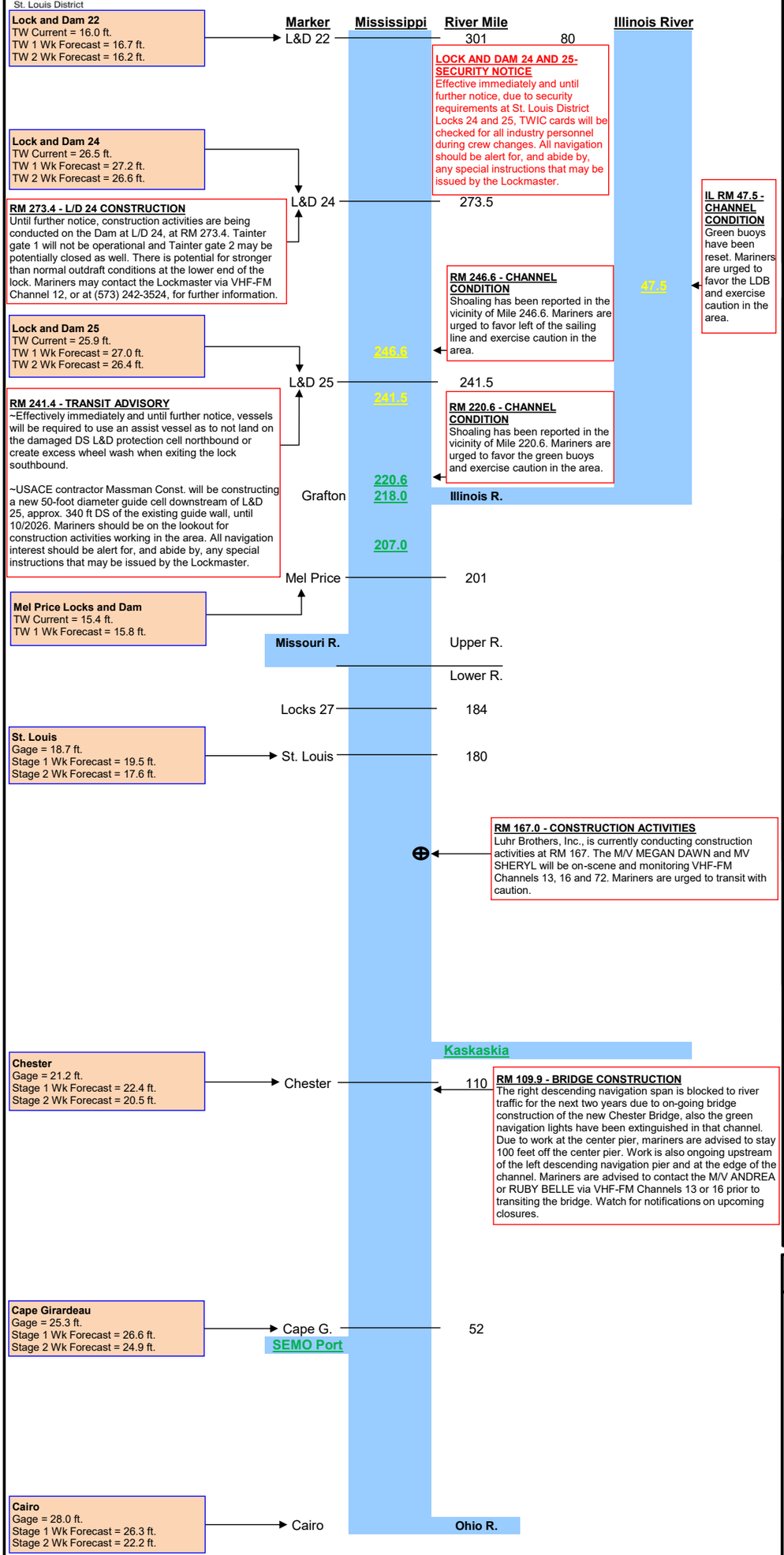
Mel Price Locks and Dam
TW Current = 15.4 ft.
TW 1 Wk Forecast = 15.8 ft.

St. Louis
Gage = 18.7 ft.
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 19.5 ft.
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 17.6 ft.

Chester
Gage = 21.2 ft.
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 22.4 ft.
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 20.5 ft.

Cape Girardeau
Gage = 25.3 ft.
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 26.6 ft.
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 24.9 ft.

Cairo
Gage = 28.0 ft.
Stage 1 Wk Forecast = 26.3 ft.
Stage 2 Wk Forecast = 22.2 ft.



Dredge Status:

Dredge Potter: Is demobilized and is performing maintenance activities.

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: Dockside.

Additional Risks / Concerns

Navigation Notices

Local Notice to Mariners

Weather

Highs from the upper 80s to the lower 60s, lows from the mid 60s to the upper 30s. Rain today through Saturday with thunderstorms to the south on Saturday.

- 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

- Click for older status reports

Key:

- 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

Probable Dredge Areas (9 ft DEPTH)

River Mile	Problematic On:	Dredge ETA	Dredge Complete	Dredge

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