



Notice to Navigation Interests

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Norfolk District

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August 17, 2020

DISMAL SWAMP CANAL AND ALBEMARLE AND CHESAPEAKE CANAL

ATLANTIC INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY

Effective at 8:30 AM on August 18, 2020, the locks at Deep Creek, Virginia and South Mills, North Carolina will return to their normal operating schedule to accommodate vessels desiring to use the Dismal Swamp Canal of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway.

The locks will be operated at 8:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 1:30 PM, and 3:30 PM seven days per week. The drawbridges adjacent to these locations will operate as normal and in conjunction with the lock openings. There will only be one operator at Deep Creek and one at South Mills, so the bridge will not be manned when the lock is being operated, and vice versa. Locks and bridges monitor channel 13.

Vessels and crew entering the locks shall continue to comply with the latest Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance related to the Coronavirus Disease (COVIDS-19). No one will be allowed to exit their vessels and crew must handle their own lines during lockings. The lock operators will provide a pole for lines as needed and will be standing by for any emergency situation. There are state and local government ordinances concerning public docks along the waterway. Boaters should plan their trip accordingly.

The above lock COVIDS-19 procedure continues to apply to the Great Bridge Lock in Chesapeake, VA at mile marker 12.2 on the Albemarle and Chesapeake Canal.

The latest surveys of AIWW-Deep Creek, AIWW-Dismal Swamp Canal, and AIWW-Turners Cut are available at: <http://www.nao.usace.army.mil/HydroSurveys/>. Those planning to use this route are advised to refer to the Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, contact the lock operator at 757-547-3311, or call the Norfolk District office at 757-201-7642.

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