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Raritan River to Arthur Kill Cut-Off Channel, NJ

Federal Navigation Channel Maintenance and Stewardship

FACT SHEET

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DESCRIPTION: Preliminary engineering and design to determine the condition of the Raritan River to Arthur Kill Cut-Off Channel, New Jersey.

AUTHORIZATION: The Federal navigation project for Raritan River to Arthur Kill Cut-Off Channel, New Jersey was adopted in 1935. The project provides for a channel 20 ft. deep, 800 ft. wide, to connect the Raritan River Channel with the southern end of the Arthur Kill Channel, New York and New Jersey Channels project. The length is about 1 mile.

FUNDING: President's Budget amount for FY 11 is \$100,000. Additional funds would be required to perform ocean placement testing and complete the engineering and design.

STATUS: In FY 2012 preliminary engineering and design, including environmental coordination, will be performed in preparation for possible future maintenance dredging.

The contract for maintenance dredging of Raritan River to Arthur Kill Cut-Off Channel was last awarded in June 2000. Maintenance dredging commenced on 9 August 2000 and was completed on 26 August 2000. 154,325 CY of material removed from the channel and placed at the Historic Area Remediation Site (HARS).

Project is dredged approximately every 10 years. The maintenance dredging project will maintain the authorized project dimensions, thereby assuring safe and economical use of the Raritan River to Arthur Kill Cut-Off Channel by shipping interests. Next maintenance dredging cycle is anticipated for 2015. The most recent condition survey and Controlling Depth Report is posted on the web page listed below.

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