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Subject: Navigation priorities under COVID-19

Jim and Steve, I want to share with you our planning and actions regarding keeping navigation open through the COVID situation.

We have prioritized keeping the Poe operational. Kevin has implemented a plan and identified minimum manning of operators, mechanics, electricians required to keep the lock open and respond to critical maintenance. We will open as scheduled March 25.

We are also prioritizing keeping our hydropower plant operational as it provides power to the lock facility. Kevin's plan identifies minimum manning requirements for the hydro plant as well.

In the event that we have a large number of staff out ill, we may come to a point where we close the Mac lock in order to prioritize the Poe. Kevin will reach out to LCA in the coming days to walk through that process and discuss procedures in the event that we get a shelter in place order. Our intention is to keep the Poe lock open in that event with modified procedures.

We will continue doing condition surveys and repairs to navigation structures. At this point we are continuing contracts for dredging and structure repair. If contractor's staff becomes ill to a point that they cannot continue their work, we will work through that on a case by case basis.

Work on the new lock continues. Our contractor for upstream deepening is moving forward, our design teams continue to work.

We wanted you to be aware of our current position and forward planning. Let us know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks - stay healthy.

Marie