

Navigation Channel Condition Status Report - St. Paul District
8/12/2026

Lock & Dam Status:

Lock 3: NAV Notice 214032, All tows transitioning the lock should stay clear of the quoin on the miter gate #4 the upstream end of the I-wall.

Lock 5: NAV Notice 205788, All tows should avoid the last 50' of the lower guide wall due to conditions.

Lock 5A: NAV Notice 214031, All tows transitioning the lock should stay clear of the quoin on the miter gate #4 the upstream end of the I-wall.

Lock 7: NAV Notice 211895, Rock weir work on the left descending side of the channel upstream of the lock was completed in late 2025.

Lock 9: NAV Notice 14006-1, All tows should avoid the river side and tip of the lower guide wall bullnose, there is potential for exposed steel. NTNI 214845 - Be advised all vessels should take actions to minimize the chance for creating prop/wheel wash that can push rock into the miter gate sills when exiting southbound out of Lock and Dam 9. Crews have removed rock from the downstream miter gate sills that was delaying navigation traffic when it prevented the gates from mitering.

Dredge Status:

Dredge Goetz: Left the St. Paul District for Rock Island District 26-Jul-2026.

Government Mechanical Plant 1: Dredging at Wilds Bend in Pool 5A began on 07-Aug. They are expected to remain there through next week.

Contract Mechanical Plant 1: Began dredging at Winters Landing in Pool 7 on 04-Aug, and are expected to remain there another two weeks.

Contract Mechanical Plant 2: Began dredging at Above Savage RR Bridge on the MN River 10-Aug. Expected to remain on the MN River at Petersons Bar for next job.

IDIQ Unload Contractor - Plant 3: Unloading dredged material from Above Fisher Island in Pool 5 to permanent placement through West Newton Chute. Began 06-July and are expected to continue through late August.

Channel Marker Status:

The USCG Buoy Tender Wyaconda completed a run to St. Paul the week of 29-Jul and is currently back at their home port. Next trip expected to begin 31-Aug.

Water Control Status:

L & D	12-Aug	05-Aug	Gates Pulled	L & D Outdraft Warning
USAF	-	-	N/A	N/A
LSAF	-	-	50,000	20,000
LD 1	NA	NA	N/A	0.2' of flow over rubber dam
LD 2	9,070	8,060	61,000	31,000
LD 3	12,200	11,800	36,000	21,000
LD 4	15,800	15,600	89,000	60,000
LD 5	15,700	17,700	116,000	70,000
LD 5A	17,200	20,800	57,000	32,000
LD 6	18,100	21,200	76,000	44,600
LD 7	17,300	19,100	82,000	44,000
LD 8	16,400	24,900	96,000	40,200
LD 9	17,000	22,700	64,000	55,000
LD 10	26,400	31,800	73,000	47,000

Web Information:

For additional Dredge Schedule information, see the link below:

<http://www.mvp.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/Channel-Maintenance/Dredging-Schedule/>

For hydrographic surveys please go to the national eHydro page and navigate to the location:

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/4b8f2ba307684cf597617bf1b6d2f85d>

Key:

- Anticipated Dredging Locations; Within the next week
- Groundings; Within the past week
- Dredge Goetz
- Government Mechanical
- Mechanical Dredge Plant 1
- Mechanical Dredge Plant 2
- Mechanical Dredge Plant 3, 4 & 5
- Miscellaneous Dredging

Use Extreme Caution when in this area

Use Caution when navigating through area

Conditions are good - Routine Dredging may occur

