

# Sector Upper Mississippi River

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**Sector Commander**



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Mississippi Managers Meeting  
2-3 February 2021



# **Sector Upper Mississippi River (SUMR)**

**In attendance today:**

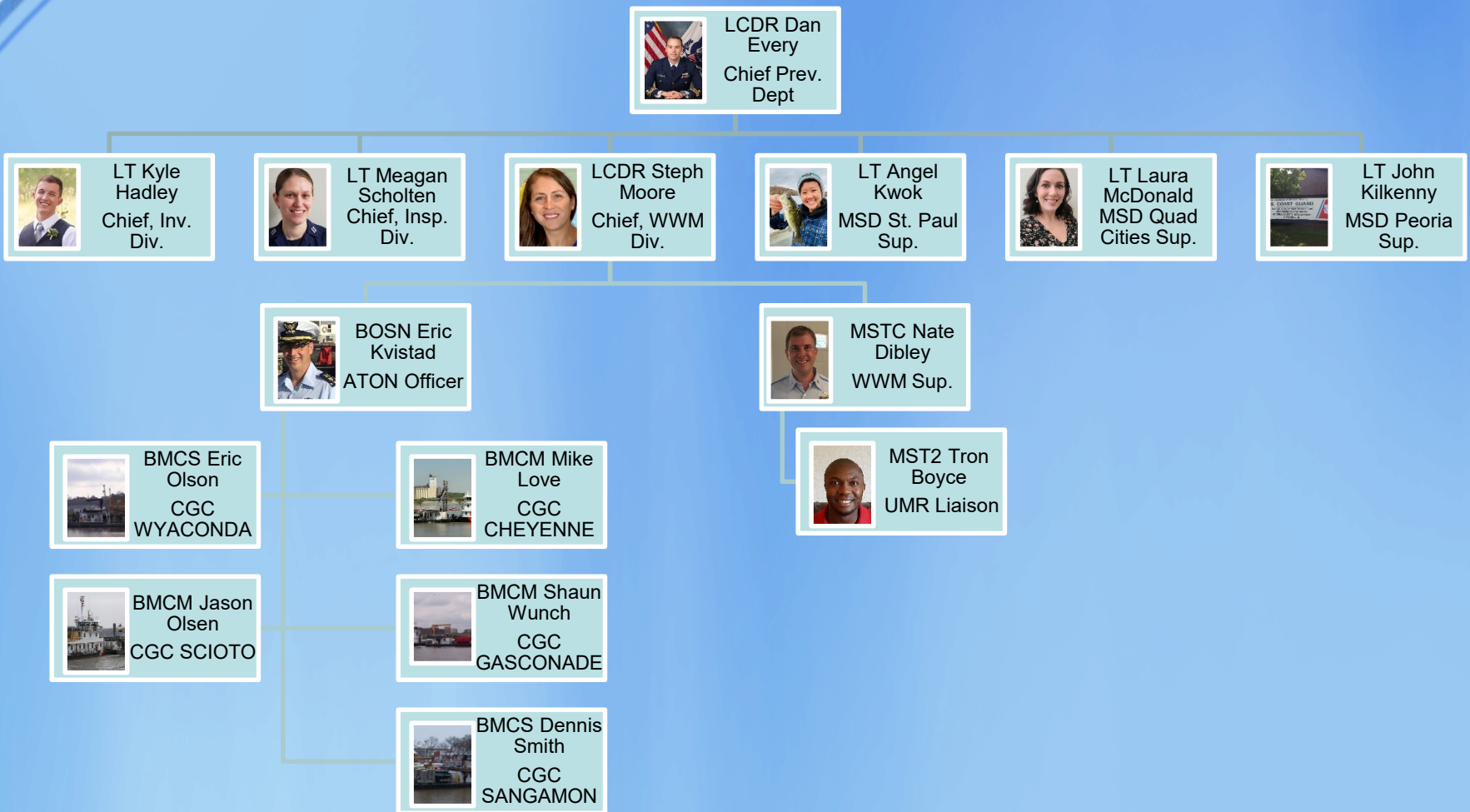
<b>CAPT Richard Scott</b>	<b>Sector Commander</b>
<b>CDR Christian Barger</b>	<b>Deputy Sector Commander</b>
<b>LCDR Steph Moore</b>	<b>Waterways Division Chief</b>
<b>LT Angel Kwok</b>	<b>MSD St. Paul Supervisor</b>
<b>BMCS Eric Olson</b>	<b>WYACONDA Officer in Charge</b>



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# Today's Brief

- **Area of Responsibility Overview**
- **Marine Casualty Trends**
- **Buoy Tender Recapitalization Project Update**
- **Project Updates**
- **WAP Updates**
- **Top Challenges and Solutions**
- **Current/Future Initiatives**



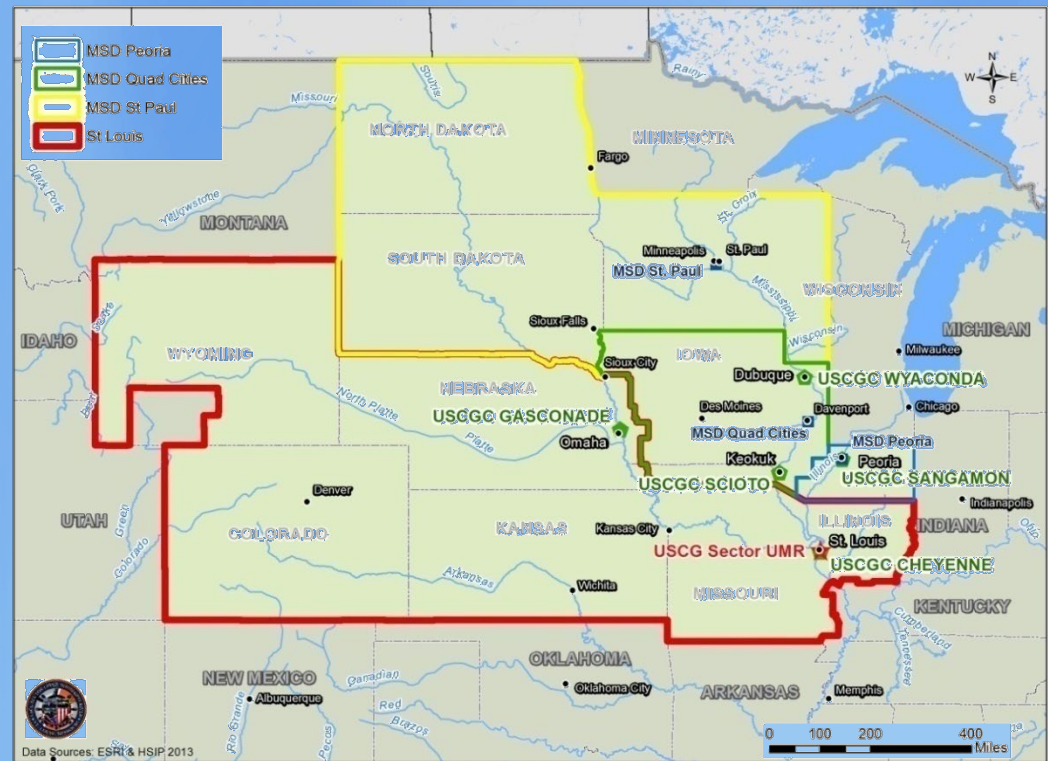
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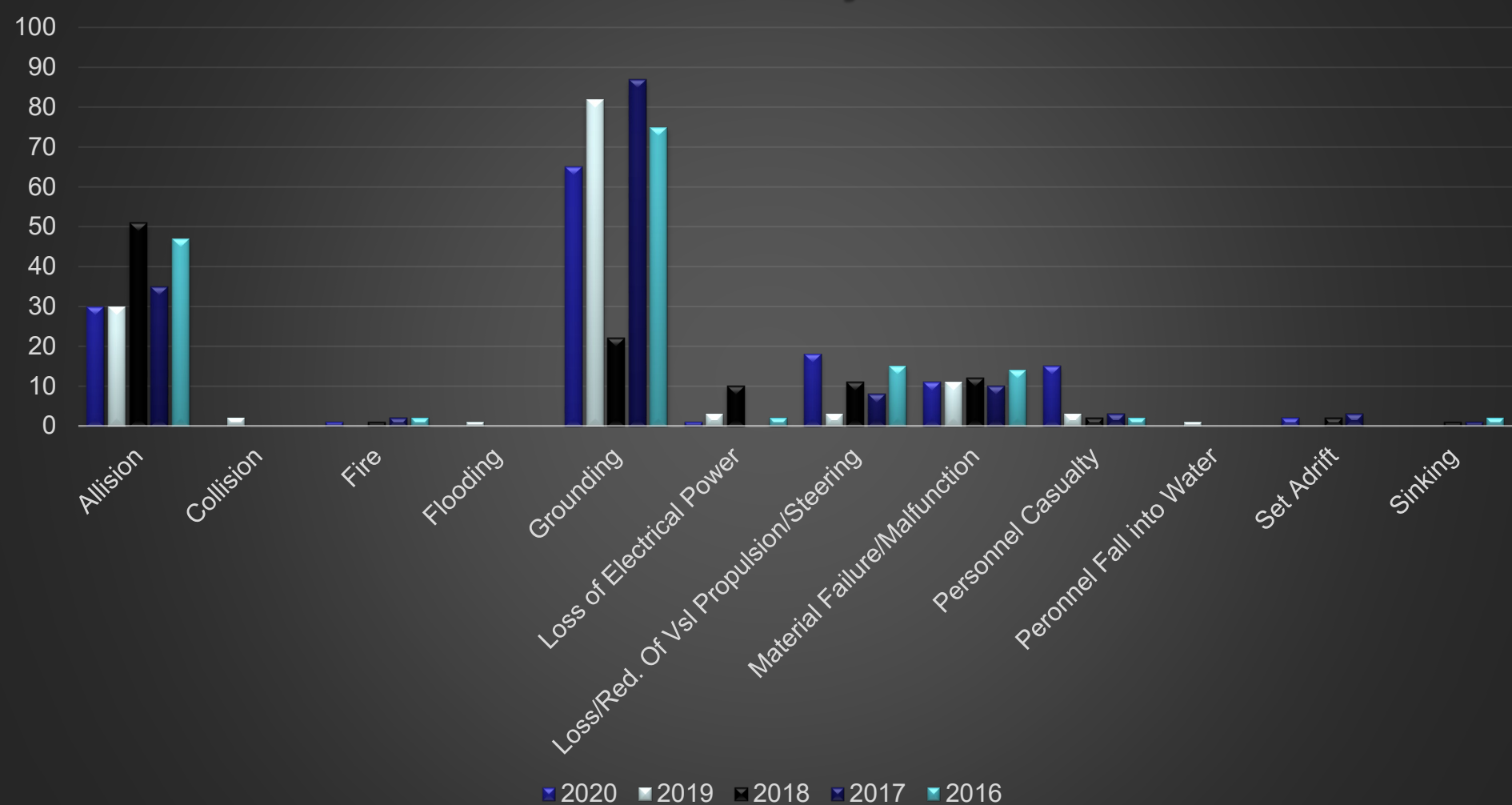
- Sector UMR area of responsibility:
  - 2,200 miles of waterways
    - Mississippi, Missouri & Illinois Rivers & Various Tributaries
  - All or part of 11 States
  - 33 locks & dams, 238 bridges & 7 major population centers



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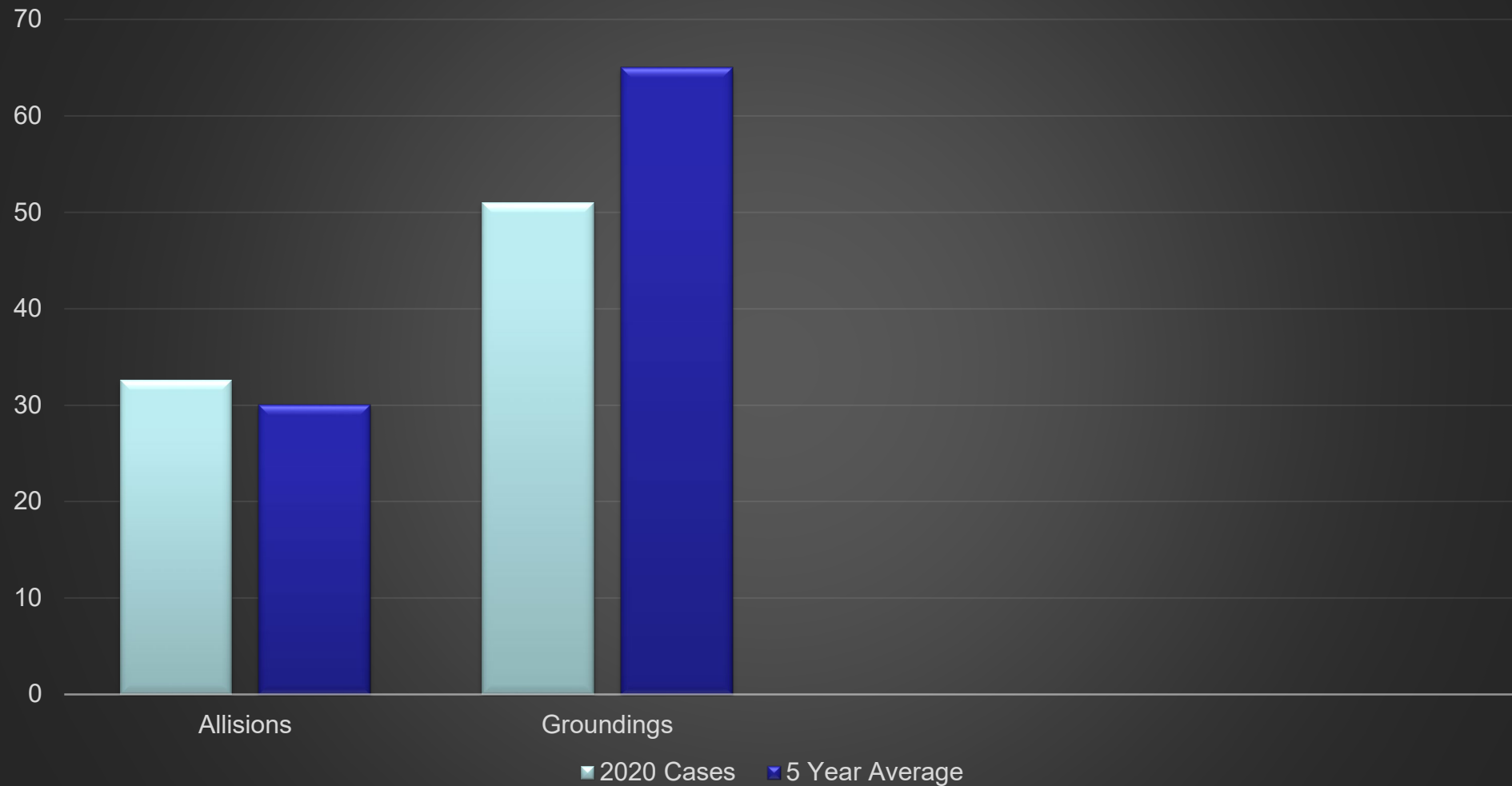
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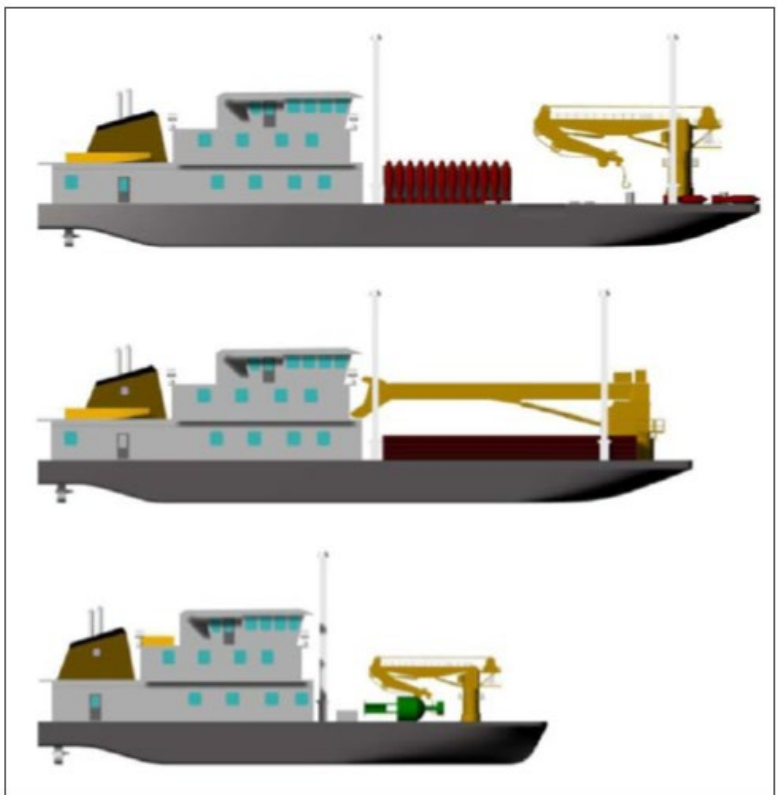
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# Buoy Tender Recapitalization Project Update

## ANTICIPATED SCHEDULE:

- 2021** River buoy tender/inland construction tender request for proposal (RFP) release
- 2021** Inland buoy tender RFP release
- 2021** River buoy tender/inland construction tender contract award
- 2022** Inland buoy tender contract award
- 2025** Initial operational capability (IOC) – achieved following post-delivery availability, test and evaluation, and certification that the first hull of each WCC variant satisfies all key performance parameters, or threshold requirements without which the ATON mission cannot be performed.
- 2030** Full operational capability (FOC) – achieved following delivery and shakedown of the last cutter.



*From top: notional Coast Guard indicative designs of the river buoy tender, inland construction tender, and inland buoy tender*

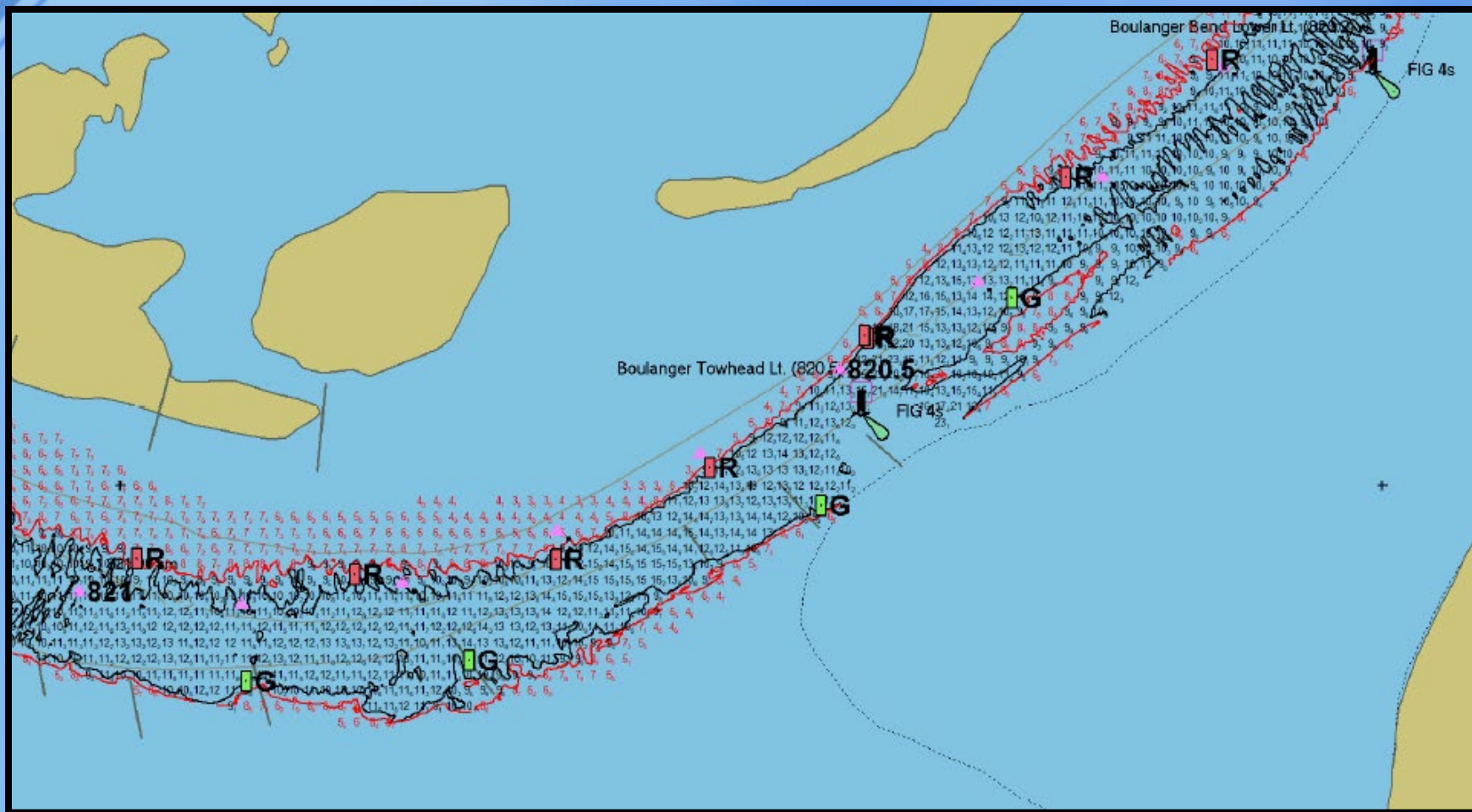


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# WLR Dry Dock Periods

- GASCONADE: 11 May – 20 July  
– Location: TBD
- CHEYENNE: 21 July – 29 Sep  
– Location: TBD
- WYACONDA: 10 Aug – 19 Oct  
– Location: TBD



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# WLR Change of Command

- CHEYENNE: BMCM Christopher Groom
- GASCONADE: BMCM Cameron Morgan
- SCIOTO: BMCS Don Youmans



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# WAP Updates

- Incorporated input received by Industry and USACE
- Updated contact lists and added email addresses



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# Top Challenges and Solutions

## Challenges:

- WLR Age/Reliability
- High turnover rate of personnel summer '21
- COVID

## Solutions:

- Seek to expand E-ATON capabilities
- Support WLR recapitalization efforts
- Cross-train personnel to minimize impact of transfer season
- Continue using creative virtual solutions for meetings and safeguard the health of our crews



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# Current/Future Initiatives

- Re-Homeport of CGC GASCONADE
- Identify new Cutter AOR boundaries to better serve river users
- Consolidation of UMR and LMR Command Centers
- AIS ATON/Marine Information
- Maintain Comms w/ USACE/ Industry
- Establishment of STA St. Louis



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# Questions?



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