

1. Since the last UMWA monthly update (August) the water levels throughout the District have gone back up. Water levels are predicted to fall over the next week in the upper end of the District and remain high with a gradual decline in the middle and lower areas. We have reduced our dredging numbers to 2 contract dredges currently working in Pools 4 & 5. The Districts' hydraulic dredge GOETZ and our Gov't Mechanical (M&R) Unit are currently assisting MVR dredging operations they are expected return for winter sometime in November.
2. A notice has been posted to the Federal Register with the proposed hours of operation for Lock and Dam 1 they will be Friday - Monday, including holidays and commercial lockage by appointment only with 24 hours' notice Tuesday - Thursday during normal duty hours of 0700 - 1530. Proposed hours of operation are 1200 - 1800 Fridays and Mondays, 0800 - 1800 Saturdays, Sundays and federal holidays. Comments are due 4 Sep. ****No comments submitted****
3. Met Council Sewage Outfall in Pool 2 is complete, Newt Marine has been working on the downstream rock structure and is expected to complete it by next week. They have until 30 November so will be doing surveying and verifying of the structure and any end of project items remaining.
4. Guidewall Crib projects at Locks 5A, 9 and some warranty work at Lock 8: All projects completed, no impacts to navigation ***Projects completed****
5. Lock 6 End Cell project: Installation of armor plate and minor painting remains. ****Project completed****
6. Miter Gates are being fabricated for Locks 5A, 8 and 10. Delivery of first set of gates not anticipated until 2021. ***No Change***
7. Lock and dam tow rail design and replacement, Locks 4, 5, 5A, 6, 8, and 9: Contract recently awarded to Kraemer North America. Construction will take place over the next three years and will be scheduled during the winter months. ***Construction at LD 6, LD 8 and LD 9 scheduled for winter 2019 - 2020****
8. Pool 2 DMMP: The NSE request for Southport has been approved by MVD and is now under review at HQUSACE. The team received comments from MDNR and were currently working to address those comments. Afterward, the report will be released for public review (anticipated sometime in November).
9. Pool 2, Pine Bend Site Unload: Site unload operations from Pine Bend to Southport began on 7 OCT and is anticipated to last until mid-NOV. Unload quantity if 50kcy.
10. Pool 3, Corps Is Unload: Site unload began on 16 SEP. As of 9 OCT ~112kcy of the 500kcy has been removed (~6000cy/day). The 2nd contractor-lead Public Meeting was held on 16 OCT. Contractor is performing well monitoring and providing bottled water at own expense.
11. Pool 4 DMMP: The City of Wabasha and the COE continue to exchange cost information for a potential Sec. 217 Public-Private Partnership material management agreement. Biweekly conference calls between the PDT and the City of Wabasha are being held. DRAFT DMMP is anticipated by end of OCT then will begin internal reviews.
12. Pool 5 DMMP: Signature of Willing Seller #1 on Offer To Sell (OTS) was received on 23 AUG. Public Meeting regarding the DRAFT DMMP was held on 26 SEP in Kellogg, MN, about 30 members of the public attended, mostly positive support/comments.
13. Pool 6 DMMP: DRAFT report will be ready for Internal COE review in mid-OCT. Public review anticipated in December.