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**GULF INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY**  
**INNER HARBOR NAVIGATION CANAL (IHNC) LOCK**

The Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC) Lock is experiencing an increase in marine allisions on both ends of the lock. To ensure longevity to the 100+ year old structure as much as possible, all marine traffic is to approach the lock at a slow bell speed when entering and exiting the lock.

Effective immediately and continuing until further notice, mariners are to **USE EXTREME CAUTION** while entering and exiting Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC) Lock, as well as navigating along the long guidewalls on the river and canal ends of the structure. Tows are to approach the structure at a **SLOW BELL SPEED** in order to reduce risk of allisions.

The Lockmaster, Richard McKinzie, can be reached at 504-945-2157. The points of contact with the New Orleans District are Robert Swayze at 504-862-2060 and Jesse Adams at 504-862-1061.

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