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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

RE: SOUTHWEST PASS, RECOMMENDED DRAFT LIMITATION

The Bar Pilots for the Port of New Orleans recommend that vessels transiting Southwest Pass from the Sea Buoy (Entrance Lighted Whistle Buoy "SW") to Mile 1.5 above Head of Passes should not have a deep draft in fresh water greater than **Forty-Four feet (44 feet)**.

This draft recommendation, which may be increased or decreased at any time as conditions warrant, becomes effective at **1030 hours CST on May 26, 2017**.

Nothing in the recommendations should be construed as limiting a pilot in the exercise of his judgment.

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Michael T.D. Miller
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