

CITY OF PUNTA GORDA
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



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- **Burnt Store Isles Perimeter Channel Dredge Project:** The City of Punta Gorda contractor, Brance Diversified, continues the maintenance dredging of the perimeter channel in the Burnt Store Isles subdivision (work will occur seven days a week as weather and equipment operation permit). The hydraulic dredge has completed its work and has been removed from the subdivision. Boaters should expect navigational delays and need to exercise caution in the vicinity of the work and may contact the company workers through channel 78 on the VHF radio. The mechanical dredge (barge mounted excavator) will be relocating the spoil material from the sides of the channel to the deeper center or to areas deeper than 6 feet below mean low water. The spoil will be discharged directly into the canal system as required by the State/Federal permits.

Boaters should contact Bryant Smith (352-283-5882) or Scott Statham (850-374-0826) to schedule their exit and reentry through the work area.

Short Range Schedule of dredge areas:

August 9-18, 2017; the mechanical dredge will be in various locations along the entire perimeter channel for spot cleanup.

Residents shall not direct the dredge work in any way. For additional information on this project, please contact City Project Manager, Gary Disher, Punta Gorda Public Works Department at (941) 575-5021 between the business hours of 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

