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[Coast Pilot 5, Chapter 9 excerpts]

Cat Island Channel has a depth of 12 feet, but leads to lesser depths in the sound. The passage is little used, except by small local craft; the chart is the best guide.

Pass Marianne is an alternate passage through the shoals extending across the W end of Mississippi Sound; natural depths are 7 to 18 feet. The pass is frequently used by tugs and barges. Caution should be exercised when navigating this channel as it is subject to change.

Bayou Portage is used by small craft as a harbor of refuge during minor storms.

Wolf River. A dredged entrance channel leads N from Bayou Portage Channel to the mouth of the river. The depth was 3 feet. The channel is marked by a daybeacon and lights.

De Lisle has a fish camp at which berths and ice are available. A natural launching ramp and gasoline are available nearby. The depth from the Wolf River to the yard was 5½ feet; local knowledge is advised.

Jourdan River. A dredged channel leads W in St. Louis Bay for 1.7 miles to the mouth of the river. The depth was 3.5 feet (4.7 feet at midchannel). The channel is marked by a light and daybeacons.

Watts Bayou. The depth was 5 feet; local knowledge is advised.

Edwards Bayou. The unmarked channel leading to the marina a mile above the mouth had a depth of about 6 feet. Berths, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, a launching ramp, and marine supplies are available.

Bay St. Louis. A depth of 7 feet can be carried to within 0.3 mile of the town. The city has a hospital and several clinics.

Bayou Caddy. The channel is marked by lights and daybeacons to the mouth of the bayou. The depth was 4.4 feet (5.7 feet at midchannel) to the turning basin just inside the mouth, thence 8.0 feet in the turning basin, thence 6.0 feet in the head of the project. Diesel fuel, water, and ice are available at the fuel dock. Berths, gasoline, marine supplies, a launching ramp are available at the marina.

Lake Borgne is partly separated from Mississippi Sound by Grassy Island, Half Moon Island, and Le Petit Pass Island. Between the islands and shoals are several navigable passages including St. Joe and Le Petit Passes. Lake Borgne is 6 to 10 feet in depth. Charted and uncharted obstructions are in the lake; caution is advised. The tidal currents through St. Joe Pass have velocities exceeding 1.5 knots at times. A channel leads from the mouth of West Pearl River to Bogalusa at three locks are each 65 feet wide and 310 feet long, with 10 feet over the sill. The depths were 10 feet above the entrance, and thence 4 feet to Bogalusa. 5 miles above the junction of East Mouth and West Mouth there is a vertical lift bridge with a clearance of 10 feet down and 50 feet up. The bridge tender monitors VHF-FM channel 16 and works on channel 13; call sign KTD-552. Near the town of Pearl River there are three bridges; the first two are the twin fixed spans of the Interstate Route 59 with clearance of 35 feet. 200 yards upstream, the Southern Railroad bridge has a clearance of 7 feet.

Currents are very irregular and greatly influenced by winds. They set with great velocity through The Rigolets at times, and especially through the draws of the bridges. Velocities of 2.5 knots off Rigolets Light 5 and 3.8 knots at the railroad bridge have been observed. At the railroad bridge westerly currents set WSW onto the fender on the SW side of the draw, and easterly currents set E by N onto the fender on the NE side. The current has an average velocity of 0.6 knot. The bridge should not be approached closely until the draw is opened, and then only with caution.

St. Louis Bay. Depths in the bay vary from 4 to 7 feet and decrease gradually toward the shore. The bottom is soft.
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Lateral System As Seen Entering From Seaward
on navigable waters except Western Rivers

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VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

**Channel 6** – Inter-ship safety communications.

**Channel 9** – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

**Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

**Channel 16** – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

**Channel 22A** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

**Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A** – Recreational boat channels.

**Getting and Giving Help** — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

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- Chart updates (LNM and NM corrections) — http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/updates/LNM_NM.html
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- Tides and Currents — http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov
- National Data Buoy Center — http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/
- NowCoast web portal for coastal conditions — http://www.nowcoast.noaa.gov/
- National Hurricane Center — http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/
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**Distress Call Procedures**

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: “MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY.”
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds — If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

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