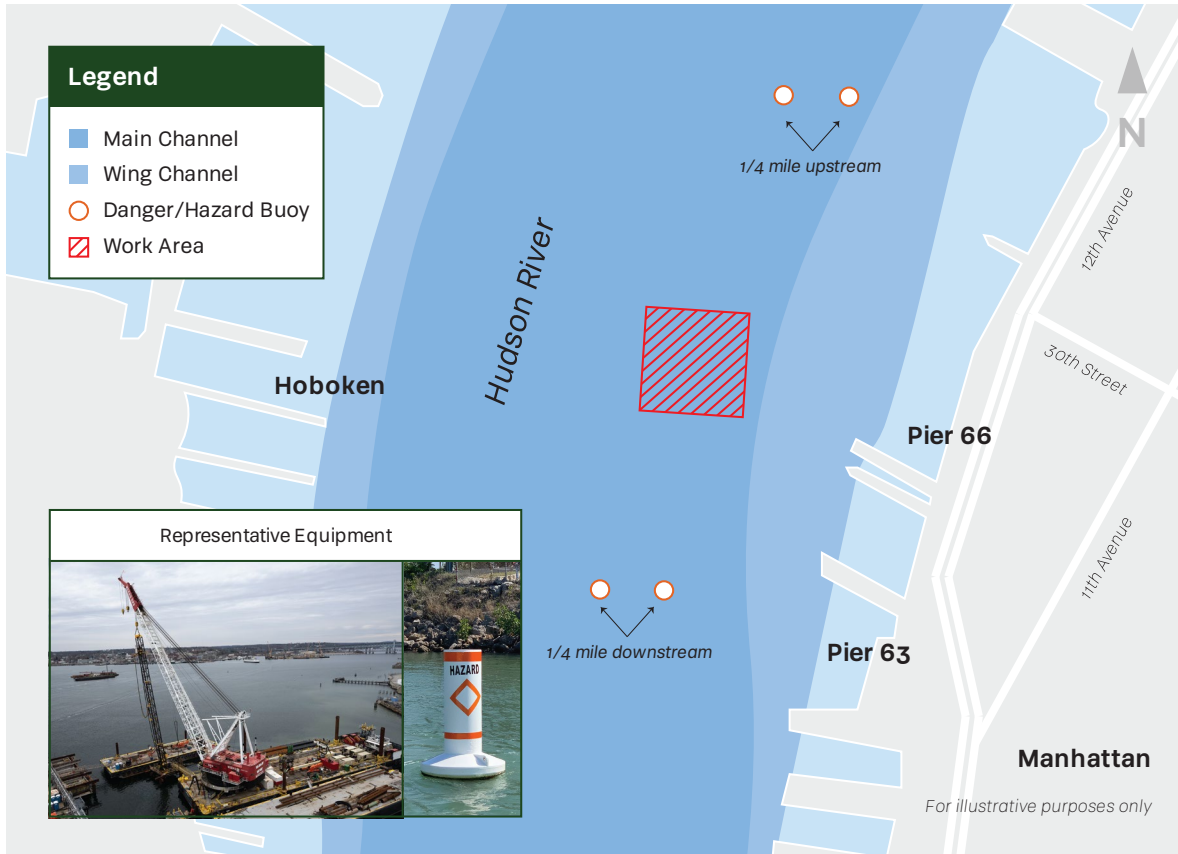


Boater Safety Alert

On or about August 12, 2024, construction will begin on a 110' wide x 600' long cofferdam.



The Hudson River Ground Stabilization (HRGS) project will fortify a section of the riverbed to enable tunnel boring machine operations for the future Hudson River Tunnel. To ensure the safety of boaters and construction crews on the water, The United States Coast Guard (USCG) has issued the following **Notice to Mariners** (available at [USCG.mil](https://uscg.mil)):

Weeks Marine will be constructing the 110' Wide x 600' Long cofferdam for the Hudson River Ground Stabilization Program located West of Pier 66, starting on August 12, 2024, and continuing to January 20, 2025. Hours of operation are 12 hours a day, Monday through Friday.

Weeks Marine will start at the West location, in position 40°45'17N 074°00'51W and work towards the East to 40°45'16N 074°00'42W. The location can be found on NOAA Nautical Chart 12335. The four corners of the cofferdam structures will be marked with flashing white lights at 4 seconds. Additional white flashing lights will be added at every 30 feet of the structure. White reflective tape 6" Wide x 4' Long Minimum will be installed above the MHHW marker every 50 feet on the structure. Four hazard buoys will be deployed prior to constructing the cofferdam. Two white hazard/danger buoys ¼ mile north of the cofferdam and two white hazard/danger buoys ¼ mile south of the cofferdam. All four of the buoys will have white flashing lights.

The WEEKS 526, DERRICK CRANE barge has limited maneuverability and requires a Tugboat to move the vessel and will be monitoring VHF-FM CH 13, 16, and 68, and are requesting a 24-Hour notice to facilitate the barge movements. Weeks Marine is requesting all mariners to use extreme caution and transit the working area at their slowest safe speed.

Safety is our #1 priority. The Gateway Development Commission will continue to keep the boating community updated as this project progresses.

