This Draft Navigational Impact Report is prepared to further define the bridge clearance heights for alternatives under consideration for the Wilmington Rail Realignment Project, as required by the US Coast Guard (USCG) for projects requiring a USCG bridge permit. The clearance requirements recommended in this report do not preclude any of the alternatives under consideration from being selected as the Preferred Alternative during the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process.

DRAFT NAVIGATION IMPACT REPORT

for the Rail Realignment Project

Wilmington Harbor

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A. Means of data collection:

The primary sources of user data were Automatic Identification System (AIS) datasets from 2019 which were analyzed and refined for the purposes of this report by the City of Wilmington in collaboration with MarineCadastre.gov (a collaboration between the Bureau of Ocean Management (BOEM) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)) and bridge lift data from the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT). Additional information was gathered via direct outreach from known stakeholders with navigational interests, users of the relevant waterway as well as from other publically available sources.

- AIS Data for 2019
 - (https://coast.noaa.gov/htdata/CMSP/AISDataHandler/2019/index.html)
- USGC's National Vessel Documentation Database Queries via NOAA website
- On-site visits
- Bridge lift logs from NCDOT for 2018 through 2020
- Outreach to various government, private and public stakeholders (see Exhibit H)
- Comment period between June 28th and July 26th, 2021 which was publicized via press release, newspaper advertisement, social media applications, flyers, mailers, local government meetings and on television
- Other resources as made available online (specific citations made in each section)

B. Present governing bridge(s) or aerial structure(s) on the waterway:

1. Identify all bridges upstream and downstream of the proposed bridge site and their existing horizontal and vertical clearances to determine the existing minimum horizontal and vertical clearances (including overhead transmission line clearances). Provide in table format.

(If all bridges downstream have the same minimum clearance, state instead of the above requested information).

Note that Table 1 depicts three upstream bridges of the proposed railroad bridge site. There are no bridges downstream of the proposed bridge site. Table 1 does, however, depict an overhead transmission line which is downstream of the proposed bridge site.

Also note that the proposed railroad bridge site related to this NIR is located immediately south of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge. The bridge site proposed seeks to be compatible with the impending replacement of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (US 74/76) by NCDOT (see Section M for additional information). See Exhibit A for conceptual engineering drawings of the Rail Realignment Project depicting the proposed site for the new railroad bridge. Also see Exhibit B for NCDOT's Express Design Summary for the replacement of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge, specifically Option 4 which contemplates the replacement of the highway bridge alongside the proposed railroad bridge.

TABLE 1:

Facility Carried	Feature Intersected	Waterway Milepoint	Channel Depth (MHW)	Vertical Clearance (MHW)	Horizontal Clearance
CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge	Wilmington Harbor, NE Cape Fear River	1.0	25'	4' closed; Unlimited open	200'
Isabel Holmes Bridge NC 133	Wilmington Harbor, NE Cape Fear River	1.5	32'	40' closed; Unlimited open	200'
Cape Fear Memorial Bridge US 74 / 76	Wilmington Harbor, Cape Fear River	26.8	32'	65' closed; 135' open	350'
Overhead Transmission Line	Lower Brunswick Range, Cape Fear River	21.2	42'	216'	Full Channel

2. Does the proposed bridge match (or is greater than) the navigational clearance of the existing structures on the waterway?

Yes, the proposed bridge would match or provide for greater navigational clearances then exist on the waterway today.

As is represented in the data and statistics herein, all vessels of significant size use the waterway to serve the single active industry upstream of the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge. Thus, all of the largest vessels using the waterway transit all three bridges identified in Table 1 – the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge, the Isabel Holmes Bridge and CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge. The limiting clearances across these three bridges are 200 feet horizontal and 135 feet vertical.

For the purposes of this Navigational Impact report, the City of Wilmington proposes the following navigational clearances be considered as reasonably meeting the navigational needs of the waterway:

Horizontal Clearance: 200 feet

- Vertical Clearance: Unlimited in the open position. The bridge would rest in the open position (as does the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge upstream) and would only close for passing train traffic. Vertical clearance in the closed position would be approximately 20 feet.
- 3. What is the most restrictive horizontal clearance on the waterway? (This may be a fixed bridge downstream/upstream of the proposed structure, a low hanging power line downstream/upstream of the bridge(s), or it may be some other structure that limits horizontal clearance. Sometimes the existing to-be-replaced bridge(s) is the most restrictive structure.

Upstream of the proposed bridge location the structure which creates the most restrictive horizontal clearance is the Isabel Holmes Bridge and the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge.

- a. Milepoints: 1.0 and 1.5 of the Northeast (Cape Fear) River
- b. Horizontal clearance: 200 feet

There are no bridges, structures or other impediments to horizontal clearance over the waterway downstream of the proposed bridge site.

4. What is the most restrictive vertical clearance on the waterway? (This may be a fixed bridge downstream/upstream of the proposed structure, a low hanging power line downstream/upstream of the bridge(s), or it may be some other structure that limits vertical clearance. Sometimes the existing to-be-replaced bridge(s) is the most restrictive structure.

Upstream of the proposed bridge location the structure which creates the most restrictive vertical clearance is the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge.

- a. Milepoint: 1.0 of the Northeast (Cape Fear) River
- b. Vertical clearance (bridge in closed position): 4 feet
- c. Vertical clearance (bridge in open position): Unlimited

Downstream of the proposed bridge location the structure which creates the most restrictive vertical clearance is an overhead transmission line.

- a. Milepoint: 21.2 of the Cape Fear River
- b. Vertical clearance: 216 feet

5. Will the proposed bridge(s) become the most restrictive/obstructive structure across the waterway?

No, the bridge will not become the most restrictive or obstructive structure across the waterway to the users of this portion of the waterway.

C. Waterway characteristics:

(All domestic bridge navigational clearances should be stated in linear feet in decimal form vs. feet and inches. All international bridge navigational clearances should be state in linear unit of measure as well as the metric equivalent).

1. Various water stages: (Datum that is used).

The various waterway stages are listed in Table 2 below. All data values are relative to North American Datum of 1988 (NAVD88). Elevations are from National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) station 8658120 in Wilmington, NC near the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge is adjacent to the proposed bridge site.

TABLE 2

Waterway St	Elevation (NAVD88)					
MHHW	Mean Higher – High Water	2.08 feet				
MHW	Mean High Water	1.83 feet				
MTL	Mean Tide Level	-0.31 feet				
MSL	Mean Sea Level	-0.16 feet				
DTL	Mean Diurnal Tide Level	-0.26 feet				
MLW	Mean Low Water	-2.44 feet				
MLLW	Mean Lower-Low Water	-2.60 feet				
NAVD88	North American Vertical Datum of 1988	0.00				

Source: https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/stations.html?type=Datums

2. Natural flow of the waterway including currents, waterway velocity, water direction, and velocity fluctuations (seasonal, daily, hourly, etc.), that might affect navigation.

Tides are normally semi-diurnal on the waterway (2 lows, 2 highs daily cycles on average) and micro-tidal (tidal range < 2 meters). The waterway experiences both ebb and flood tidal flows, with direction and velocity of flow varying with tidal cycles. Generally, water flows east-west until reaching the confluence of the Northeast Cape Fear River and the Cape Fear River.

NOAA performed a Cape Fear River, NC survey in 2016 with results published in June 2019. The report made use of numerous observation stations for data collection, one of which was CFR1605 located at USS North Carolina Battleship which is less than a mile upstream from the proposed bridge location. Speed and timing relative to the tidal day of mean maximum ebb current (MEC) and mean maximum flood current (MFC) at the near surface were:

MFC = 81.3 cm/s (1.58 knots) MEC = 106.6 cm/s (2.07 knots)

Source: https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/publications/Techrpt_089_Cape_Fear_Tech_Report_Final.pdf

3. Width of the waterway at bridge site.

The width of the waterway at all of the considered bridge sites is approximately 875 feet measured from the bulkhead at the Army Corps of Engineer's Repair Yard at 232 Battleship Rd NE, Leland, NC 28451, perpendicular to the navigational channel, to the bulkhead on the east bank of the river .

The width of the navigational channel as maintained by the United States Army Corp of Engineers (USACE) varies from 1,100 feet wide immediately downstream of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (Anchorage Basin) to 800 feet upstream of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (Battleship to Hwy 74/76 – Reach 5). See Figure 1 below.





4. Depth of the waterway and elevation fluctuations at bridge site: [List the depth at each waterway bridge stage (ex. Range of tides, average high water elevation, etc.)].

The depths of the waterway at various stages at the proposed bridge site(s) are depicted in Exhibit C. Generally the depths range from 38 feet to 42 feet at the proposed bridge site, with elevations referring to MLLW. As seen from data provided in C.1, waterway elevations vary 4.43 feet from MLLW to MHW.

Sources

https://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/Hydrographic-Surveys/Wilmington-Harbor/

5. Waterway layout and geometry: (For example, is there a dam or lock, does the elevation of the approach impact the required bridge(s) clearance?)

There are no dams, locks or elevation changes along the waterway which are relevant to the proposed railroad bridge site.

The Cape Fear River and the Northeast (Cape Fear) River meet approximately one mile north of the proposed railroad bridge site. Approximately four miles south of the proposed railroad bridge site the Cape Fear River meets with the Brunswick River and then proceeds approximately 22 additional miles south before emptying into the Atlantic Ocean.

6. Channel and waterway alignment: Location of the channel(s).

The portion of the Cape Fear River in which the proposed railroad bridge site is located is generally oriented north-south. The proposed railroad bridge site lies immediately south of the existing Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (US 74/76) over the northern portion of the USACE maintained Anchorage Basin for the Wilmington Harbor. Within 200ft of the proposed railroad bridge site is the southernmost boundary of the Battleship to Hwy 74/76 – Reach 5 channel, also a part of the USACE Wilmington Harbor project. The Battleship to Hwy 74/76 – Reach 5 portion of the channel begins a gentle bend in both the river and the channel upstream. South of the proposed railroad bridge site is expected to align with a slight skew to the navigable channel, similar to the alignment which exists at the existing Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (US 74/76). Coordination between USCG, NCDOT and the City of Wilmington would further define the project site with channel and waterway alignment.

7. Other limiting factors: (For example, bends in the waterway within one-half mile of the project site, hindrances to free navigation, fog, hydraulics, etc.).

There are no other known hindrances to free navigation within one-half mile of the proposed bridge sites. See NOAA Chart 11537 and appendices for additional information.

- D. Do vessels that engage in emergency operations (i.e., law enforcement, fire, rescue, emergency dam repair, etc.), national defense activities (i.e. cruisers, fuel barges, munitions ships, etc.) or channel maintenance (i.e., dredges, dam and levee repair, etc.) operate on the waterway? If yes, describe the vessels and provide the following information:
 - 1. Does levee maintenance, bridge work (other bridges), channel maintenance and emergency operations upstream of bridge require certain vessels to transit the waterway?

No, per coordination with the NCDOT, USACE, USCG and other local agencies (see Exhibit H).

2. Does the proposed bridge(s) impact USCG and/or other government vessels' ability to transit the bridge(s) to conduct mission essential functions (icebreakers, patrols, etc.)?

No, per coordination with USCG.

Coast Guard Station Oak Island is the only Coast Guard unit that has the potential to operate in the area identified within in this Navigation Impact Report. USCG does not have any Aids to Navigation (ATON) in the area that require servicing from ANT Oak Island, CGC Bayberry, or CGC Maple.

Coast Guard Search and Rescue Station Oak Island generally does not conduct operations in the portion of waterway under study. USCG relies on other government agencies (OGA's) to assist in the area in the event of an emergency. In the event USCG response is required, they would utilize the 29' RBS-II which would not experience navigational restrictions based on the proposed railroad bridge recommendation.

3. Vessels using the waterway during the proposed bridge(s) lifespan:

See Exhibit D for a full list of vessels using the waterway.

USCG Oak Island Vessel:

Vessel did not transit the waterway under study in 2019.

- i. Vessel name: 29' RBS-II
- ii. Registration/documentation numbers: CG 29216, CG29217
- iii. Vessel type: Enclosed Cabin, outboards
- iv. Vessel owner contact information: USCG Station Oak Island
- v. Primary vessel mooring location (include waterway milepoint, if known): 300A Caswell Beach Rd., Oak Island, NC 28465
- vi. Vessel overall length: 31'7"
- vii. Vessel beam: 8' 5"

- viii. Vessel draft (depth of hull below waterline at full load): 2' 9" trimmed down, 1' 10" trimmed up
- ix. Vessel air draft (height of the highest fixed point of the vessel above the waterline, when empty): 7' 10"



US Army's Sunny Point, NC firefighting and rescue vessel:

Vessel currently transits the waterway twice per year for scheduled maintenance (and as needed for emergency repairs) at the Cape Fear Boat Works located upstream from the proposed bridge locations. This is reflected in the 2019 AIS dataset.

- i. Vessel name: Sunny Point
- ii. Registration/documentation numbers: Vessel # CG 1167165, Galdding-Hearn Shipbuilding Hull Number 387
- iii. Vessel type: Unclassified vessel, Aluminum, Jet Propulsion
- iv. Vessel owner contact information: US Army, Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point (MOTSU), Fire & Emergency Services Division /Chief Michael Scott / 6280 Sunny Point Rd. Southport, NC 28461 / 910-457-8218
- v. Primary vessel mooring location (include waterway milepoint, if known): MOTSU Boat Basin / Buoy # 33 Cape Fear River
- vi. Vessel overall length: 82' 6"
- vii. Vessel beam: 20' 6"
- viii. Vessel draft: 4' 2"
- ix. Vessel air draft: 37' 3"
- x. Does the vessel have limited maneuverability due to inherit design or mode of operation?: To operate one fire pump the vessel requires 6' of draft, 10' of draft to operate two pumps



4. Will the proposed bridge(s) provide the horizontal and vertical clearances for the safe, efficient passage of the largest of these vessels? Why?

Yes. Horizontal and vertical clearances are no more restrictive than structures over the waterway which are presently transited by these vessels

5. If no, estimate the number of vessels in each of the above categories unable to pass through the proposed bridge(s). Give the name, length overall (LOA), beam, draft and height of highest fixed point above the waterline for vessels affected by the bridge(s).

Not applicable.

6. Can these vessels be modified (i.e., folding mast, relocation or equipment, etc.) without decreasing their respective response times? If so, name the vessels.

Not applicable.

7. If modifications are feasible, state the name of the vessel(s), their trip frequency, the necessary modifications, the cost of the modification(s) and who will pay for them (i.e., vessel owner, applicant, other).

Not applicable.

8. Provide any additional information concerning the potentially impacted or burdened users of the waterway as well as the future use of the waterway.

Not applicable.

E. Has the United States Corps of Engineers (USACE) completed or does it plan to complete a federal navigation project on the waterway? If yes, provide the following information:

Yes, USACE has completed a federal navigation project on the waterway.

1. Project name, downstream/upstream milepoints, depth, type of project, scope, status of project and other limiting factors.

Project Name:	Wilmington Ha	arbor
Channels:	38 FT MLLW	(UPPER) ANCHORAGE BASIN
	32 FT MLLW	HWY 74-76 BRIDGE TO BATTLESHIP Reach 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5
	32 FT MLLW	BATTLESHIP TO HWY 133 BRDIGE INCLUDING TURNING BASIN Reach 1, 2 & 3
	32 FT MLLW	HWY 133 BRIDGE TO HILTON BRIDGE Reach 1, 2, 3 & 4
	25 FT MLLW	25 FOOT PROJECT Reach 4
Milepoints:	Not applicable	e. See geographic references above.
Depth:	See Exhibit C	
Туре:	Federal Navig	ation Channel

Status: Complete

2. Whether there is/was a "design vessel" used in planning the channel? What is/was the design vessel? Was the design vessel reviewed by the Coast Guard?

No "design vessel" was identified for the navigation project.

3. The following specification of the vessel for which the navigation project is or will be designed: LOA, beam, draft and height of the highest fixed point above waterline.

Not applicable.

4. Will the proposed bridge(s) provide the horizontal and vertical clearances necessary for the safe, efficient passage of the vessel for which the navigation project was designed?

Not applicable.

5. If so, can the vessel be modified to clear the proposed bridge(s) without substantially increasing operating costs?

Not applicable.

6. If modifications are feasible, state the necessary modifications, costs of any modifications(s), who will pay for the modifications.

Not applicable

7. Are the projected changes in the waterway usage based upon anticipated waterway improvement projects?

There are no projected changes for waterway usage based upon any waterway improvement projects.

8. Does the proposed bridge impact USACE ability to transit the bridge in a Federal project channel?

There are no projected changes for waterway usage based upon any waterway improvement projects.

F. Describe the present and prospective recreational navigation: Will the proposed bridge(s) affect the safe, efficient movement of any segment of the present or prospective recreational fleet operation on the waterway? If yes, provide the following information:

The proposed bridge will not affect the safe, efficient movement of recreational vessels over any segment of the waterway under study for this report presently or prospectively.

Exhibit D captures all vessels which appeared in the 2019 AIS dataset as well as all vessels which required a bridge lift at either the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge or the Isabel Holmes Bridge.

Summary statistics from Exhibit D for recreational vessels only are as follows:

Unique Vessel Count	209
% Sailboats	50%
Average Length (ft)	55
Max Length (ft)	164
Average Beam (ft)	19
Max Beam (ft)	52
CFMB Transits	296
CFMB Lifts	64
IHB Transits	81
IHB Lifts	121
CFMB = Cape Fear Memorial Bridge	

IHB = Isabel Holmes Bridge

The data in Exhibit D demonstrates that while recreational vessels are significantly smaller than the commercial vessels which transit the waterway under study, they transit the waterway more frequently. Furthermore, it should be noted that sailboats accounted for 50% of all recreational vessel types in 2019, which is relevant to this study since they typically require greater vertical navigational clearances. Of the 64 total lifts required for creational vessels at the CFMB in 2019, 53 (83%) were for sailboats. The proportion was similar at the IHB with 102 (84%) of the 121 lifts resulting from sailboat transits.

Also of note, Exhibit F shows statistics from the City of Wilmington related to the usage of public docking facilities on the waterway from 2003 to 2019. The average vessel length from year to range from 25 feet to 38 feet. These statistics show an 84% decline in usage at the City's docks between 2016 and 2019. There are a number of private marinas in the Wilmington Harbor (see Section H) however data on usage related to these facilities is not available.

G. Describe the present and prospective commercial navigation and the cargoes moved on the waterway:

Will the proposed bridge(s) affect the safe, efficient movement of any segment of the present or prospective commercial fleet operating on the waterway? If yes, provide the following information:

The proposed bridge will not affect the safe, efficient movement of commercial vessels over any segment of the waterway under study for this report presently or prospectively.

Exhibit D captures all vessels which appeared in the 2019 AIS dataset as well as all vessels which required a bridge lift at either the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge or the Isabel Holmes Bridge.

Summary statistics from Exhibit D for all non-recreational vessels (this would include search and rescue vessels, survey vessels, etc.) are as follows:

Unique Vessel Count	70
Average Length (ft)	277
Max Length (ft)	604
Average Beam (ft)	50
Max Beam (ft)	105
CFMB Transits	232
CFMB Lifts	117
IHB Transits	208
IHB Lifts	163

The largest of the vessels categorized as non-recreational are the tanker vessels / articulated pusher tug vessels which service the Kinder Morgan facility located on the east bank of the Northeast Cape Fear River immediately north of the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge. These vessels occur at a frequency of approximately once per week. The largest vessel dimensions observed were a length of 604 feet (4 unique vessels

shared this length) and a beam of 105 feet which belonged to the Bunga Angsana which flies under a Malaysian flag. It should be noted that all of these vessels transit the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge, the Isabel Holmes Bridge and the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge to service the Kinder Morgan facility. These vessels carry chemicals, fertilizers and other related products (see Exhibit G for additional information on commerce statistics as reported by USACE).

Commercial vessels are restricted to mean high tide north of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (US 74/76) and a draft limitation 31 feet maximum.

Only one prospective use for by commercial vessels was identified – the inactive Cemex terminal located between the Isabel Holmes Bridge and the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge on the west bank of the Northeast (Cape Fear) River. According to local river pilots, this facility has been dormant for years up until early 2021. The pilots indicated that these vessels are of similar size to the vessels servicing the Kinder Morgan facility upstream and thus require the same navigational considerations as those vessels.

H. Identify the name and contact information for marine facilities located within a 3-mile radius of the proposed project (public boat ramps, marinas or major docking facilities, boat repair facilities, etc.:

- Cape Fear Boat Works 1690 Royster Rd NE Navassa, NC 28451 (910) 371-3460 info@capefearboatworks.com https://capefearboatworks.com/
- Smith Creak Boatyard 805 Cornelius Harnett Dr Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 443-5313 harborlinesllc@aol.com http://www.smithcreekboatyard.com/
- 3. Bennet Brothers Yachts / Off the Hook Yacht Services 1701 JEI Wade Dr Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 772-9277 service@offthehookys.com https://service.offthehookyachts.com/
- Industrial Hardware & Marine / Old Wilmington Shipyard, LLC 1551 Point Harbor Rd Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 343-8135

- 6. Sawmill Point Marina 1015 Nutt Street Wilmington, NC 28401 (833) 455-5003 https://sawmillpoint.com
- City of Wilmington Docks 302 Willard Street Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 520-6875 jonathan.batts@wilmingtonnc.gov https://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/depart ments/parks-recreation/docking
- Cape Fear Community College 411 N Front St Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 362-7403 jsrogers57@cfcc.edu https://cfcc.edu/marine-technology/
- Dram Tree Park Boat Ramp W Castle St Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 520-6875 jonathan.batts@wilmingtonnc.gov

orders@ihmnc.com

5. Port City Marina 10 Harnett Street Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 620-9904 hello@usainvestco.com https://portcitymarina.com/ https://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/depart ments/parks-recreation/docking

10. Army Corps of Engineers Wilmington District Repair Yard 232 Battleship Rd NE Leland, NC 28451 (910) 251-4979 <u>https://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Mis</u> sions/Navigation/Engineer-Yard/

I. Will the proposed bridge(s) block access of any vessel presently using local service facilities (i.e., repair shops, parts distributors, fuel stations)? If yes, provide the following information:

The proposed bridge will be no more restrictive to vessels presently using the waterway to access local marine service facilities.

J. Are alternate routes bypassing the proposed bridge(s) available for use by vessels unable to pass the proposed bridge(s)? If yes, provide the following information:

No, there are no alternate navigable routes available for use by vessels unable to pass the proposed bridge.

K. Will the bridge(s) prohibit the entry of any vessels to the local harbor of refuge? If yes, describe the harbor and provide the following information:

No, the proposed railroad bridge will not prohibit the entry of any vessels to the local harbor of refuge.

L. Will the proposed bridge(s) be located within one-half mile of a bend in the waterway? If yes, describe the bend and provide the following information:

Yes, the proposed railroad bridge site is located within one-half mile of a gentle bend in the waterway. Said bend is located approximately 0.3 miles north of the proposed site of the proposed railroad bridge

1. Is there sufficient distance between the bridge(s) and the bend to allow proper vessel alignment for the safe, efficient passage of vessels through the proposed bridge(s)?

Yes, there is sufficient distance between the bridge and the bend to allow proper vessel alignment for safe and efficient passage of vessels through the proposed bridge.

2. If no, what factors make construction of the bridge(s) at an alternate location impractical?

Not applicable.

M. Are there other factors (i.e., dockages, lightering areas, existing bridges, etc.) located within one-half mile of the proposed bridge(s), which would create hazardous passage through the proposed structure? If yes, provide the following information:

1. Describe the factors. (For example, construction impacts to navigation and waterway users, etc.)

The Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (CFMB) (US 74/76) is located within close proximity of the proposed railroad bridge site. For the purposes of this section of the report, it should be noted that the existing or planned replacement CFMB has the potential to create a hazard to navigation dependent upon distance between the structures, relative skews to the waterway and other similar factors which at present are not known. Combining the replacement of the CFMB with the proposed railroad bridge on a single substructure (with independent superstructures) would likely mitigate the hazard to navigation as considered in this section, and is being explored by the City of Wilmington and NCDOT.

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) released an Express Design Summary in May of 2020 which presented four (4) options for the replacement of the CFMB. NCDOT states that the bridge will need to be replaced by 2030. It is anticipated that the proposed railroad bridge would be located within close proximity of the replacement highway bridge, either on a shared substructure or entirely separated from the highway bridge.

An examination of navigational considerations such as current vessel usage and prospective vessel usage on the waterway was not conducted to inform NCDOT's Express Design Summary for the replacement of the CFMB. Since the Express Design Summary did not have the benefit of the data and analysis contained herein, the report assumed horizontal clearances consistent with the existing CFMB structure and varying proposal for vertical clearances, any of which may be carried forward into USCG's Bridge Permit Application Process.

Option 4 of the NCDOT's Express Design Summary contemplates a highway bridge with a moveable span alongside a single track moveable span railroad bridge, i.e. incorporating the Wilmington Rail Realignment Project (see Exhibit B for additional information). As described in the Express Design Summary, a single substructure would accommodate both the superstructure for the highway mode and the superstructure of the railway mode. The superstructures would operate independently of one another. No other factors have been identified which are located within the navigable waterway within one-half mile of the proposed bridge.

Source: https://www.starnewsonline.com/news/20200514/4-options-chosen-for-wilmington-bridge-replacement

2. What mitigative measures are being recommended? (For example, navigation safety during construction, etc.) Why?

None at this time, however, mitigative measures will be considered as the design for the proposed railroad bridge is refined with further guidance from USCG and USACE, and as NCDOT's plans for the replacement for the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge take shape.

N. Do local hydraulic conditions (i.e., wave chop, cross currents, tides, shoals, etc.) increase the hazard of passage through the proposed bridge(s)? If yes, provide the following information:

Local hydraulic conditions are not expected to increase the hazard of passage through the proposed bridge.

Currents generally run concurrently with passage through the proposed bridge. The latest USACE hydrographic surveys did not depict any shoaling which would impact the proposed location.

O. Do local atmospheric conditions (i.e., strong, prevailing winds, fog, rapidly developing storms, etc.) increase the hazard of passage through the proposed bridge(s)? If yes, provide the following information:

No, local atmospheric conditions are not expected to increase the hazard of passage through the proposed bridge.

1. Describe the conditions:

No conditions were identified.

2. What mitigative measures are being recommended? Why?

Not applicable.

P. Have guide clearances been established for the waterway? If yes, provide the following information:

Yes, guide clearances have been establish for the waterway upstream of the proposed railroad bridge site. Note that proposed railroad bridge site is located across the Cape

Fear River while the guide clearance detailed below are applicable to the Northeast (Cape Fear) River approximately one mile upstream.

TABLE 3:

Cape Fear River, NC:

No.	Waterway	Bridge Type	Horizontal Clearance	Vertical Clearance	Reference Plane
26	Mouth to mile	Fixed or vertical Lift	200 ft.	135 ft.	Maximum
	2.75	Swing or bascule	200 ft.	5 ft. (closed) railroad	HW
				40 ft. (closed) highway	
26	Mile 2.75 to Lanes Ferry	Fixed or vertical Lift Swing or bascule	60 ft. 60 ft.	50 ft, 5 ft. (closed)	Maximum HW

Source: <u>https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Prevention-Policy-CG-5P/Marine-Transportation-Systems-CG-5PW/Office-of-Bridge-Programs/Bridge-Guide-Clearances/</u>

3. Horizontal guide clearance;

See Table 3 above.

4. Vertical guide clearance;

See Table 3 above.

5. Do the proposed bridge(s) clearances differ from these guide clearances?

Yes, the proposed bridge clearances differ from guide clearances in that they exceed the guidance for vertical clearances (unlimited in the open position and approximately 20 ft. in the closed position vs. the 5 ft. guidance for railroad bridges).

6. If yes, what factors justify deviating from these guide clearances?

The horizontal and vertical clearances for the proposed railroad bridge meets or exceeds the guidance for the Northeast (Cape Fear) River upstream of the proposed railroad bridge location.

Q. Are there other natural or man-made conditions that affect navigation (atmospherics, exclusion zones, etc.)?

There are no natural or man-made conditions that are known which affect navigation.

1. Describe the conditions:

The channel is maintained by USACE.

2. What mitigative measure are being recommended? Why?

None at this time.

R. State any other factors considered necessary for the safe, efficient passage of vessels through the proposed bridge(s)? Are clearance gauges needed? Why?

Fixed navigational lighting on the bridge to indicate channel perimeters. Clearance gauges should be used as a safety precaution. Information on the final bridge would be provided for inclusion in the US Coast Pilot and during construction through Notices to Mariners and other standard maritime information methods.

S. Include a description of the impacts to navigation caused or which could be reasonably caused by the proposed bridge(s) including but not limited to: proposed or prospective changes to the existing bridge(s) operating schedule (for movable bridges), and any proposed mitigation to all unavoidable impacts to navigation.

The proposed railroad bridge is not expected to cause any detrimental impacts to navigation.

The bridge type as contemplated for the purposes of this draft Navigation Impact Report is a moveable single leaf, single track bascule bridge.

Horizontal navigational clearances proposed are no more restrictive than existing structures upstream or the guidance from USCG for the Northeast (Cape Fear) River. The vertical navigation clearance of the bridge will be unlimited in the open position, and approximately 20 feet in the closed position.

The operating schedule for the proposed bridge is expected to mirror the operating schedule for the CSXT Hilton Bascule Bridge upstream which rests in the open position and closes as needed for train operations.

No mitigative efforts are being proposed since no unavoidable impacts to navigation have yet been identified.

T. Is there any proposed or completed mitigation for impacted waterway users? Are there any impacts that cannot be mitigated?

No impacts to waterway users have were identified as a result of the proposed bridge. Therefore, mitigation efforts are not proposed.

EXHIBIT A

Conceptual Engineering Drawing for the Proposed Railroad Bridge





EXHIBIT B

NCDOT's Express Design Summary for the Replacement of the Cape Fear Memorial Bridge (US 74/76)

For the highest quality images, please visit:

https://www.starnewsonline.com/news/20200514/4-options-chosen-for-wilmington-bridgereplacement

EXHIBIT C Hydrographic Surveys

For highest quality river survey imaging, please visit:

https://www.saw.usace.army.mil/Missions/Navigation/Hydrographic-Surveys/Wilmington-Harbor/

See "ANCHROAGE BASIN" with survey date March 24, 2021 and select the PDF for survey south of the existing Cape Fear Memorial Bridge.

See "32 FOOT PROJECT SOUTH" with survey date March 15, 2021 and select the PDF for survey immediately south of the existing Cape Fear Memorial Bridge north to confluence of the Cape Fear River with the Northeast Cape Fear River.

See "32 FOOT PROJECT NORTH" with survey date March 15, 2021 and select the PDF for survey which covers the Northeast Cape Fear River from its confluence with the Cape Fear River to the CSXT Hilton Bascule Railroad Bridge.

See "25 FOOT PROJECT" with survey date October 26, 2020 and select the PDF for survey beginning near the north end of the existing CSXT Hilton Bascule Railroad Bridge.

EXHIBIT D

Vessel Summary Compiled from 2019 AIS Data & Bridge Lift Log Data

#	MMSI	Name	Туре	Flag	Length (ft)	Beam (ft)	Max Draft (ft)	CFMB Lifts	IHB Lifts	CFMB Transits	IHB Transits
1	367362010	CORPUS CHRISTI	Articulated Pusher Tug	USA	604	72	31	2	2	1	1
2	538005779	NAVIG8 AMESSI	Tanker	Marshall Islands	604	89	48	2	2	1	1
3	538005772	NAVIG8 AMETHYST	Tanker C	Marshall Islands	604	89	39	2	2*	1	1
4	538005775	NAVIG8 ANDESINE	Tanker B	Marshall Islands	604	89	38	2	2	1	1
5	369262000	PAUL MCLERNAN	Spare - Local Vessel	USA	594	72	33	26	31	16	16
6	533051500	BUNGA ANGSANA	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Malaysia	590	105	35	2	2	1	1
7	220480000	BRITTA MAERSK	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Denmark	574	95	33	2	2	1	1
8	319155600	ULRIKEN	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Cayman Islands	571	89	38	2	2	1	1
9	369113000	BARBARA CAROL ANN MORAN	Spare - Local Vessel	USA	554	79	30	6	6	3	3
10	314444000	CAROLUS MAGNUS	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Barbados	541	79	33	2	2	1	1
11	314445000	ROSY	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Barbados	538	75	33	2	2	1	1
12	255804340	HARBOUR PIONEER	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Portugal	531	75	57	2	2	1	1
13	367115000	LINDA LEE BOUCHARD	Articulated Pusher Tug	USA	531	79	28	6	6	2	2
14	366843420	SEA HAWK	Spare - Local Vessel	USA	531	72	31	14	15	11	11
15	368009000	SCOTT TURECAMO	Articulated Pusher Tug	USA	512	75	56	2	2*	1	1
16	636015074	IVORY RAY	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Liberia	482	82	34	2	2	2	2
17	636016362	CHEM ALTAMIRA	Tanker	Liberia	476	79	33	2	2	1	1
18	564054000	BRO ALMA	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Singapore	472	75	31	2	2	1	1
19	220495000	BRO NIBE	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Denmark	472	75	30	2	2	1	1
20	636017426	CHEM ANTARES	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Liberia	472	79	36	2	2	1	1
21	255804280	HARBOUR FEATURE	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Portugal	472	75	43	2	2	2	2
22	249207000	PATALYA	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Malta	469	75	33	1	1*	1	1
23	367416750	BLUE FIN	Articulated Pusher Tug	USA	466	72	52	2	2	1	1
24	538005215	CHEM AMSTERDAM	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Marshall Islands	466	79	46	2	2	1	1
25	636015587	GOLDEN RAY	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Liberia	466	79	34	2	2	1	1
26	367469290	МАКО	Articulated Pusher Tug	USA	446	79	26	6	5	4	4
27	351778800	CHEMBULK JAKARTA	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Panama	436	79	NA	2	2	0	0
28	352182000	HAIJILI	Oil / Chemical Tanker	Panama	259	43	33	0	0	1	1
29	367438210	INDEPENDENCE	Passenger	USA	213	46	8	0	0	2	0
30	367267000	CG DILIGENCE	Law Enforcement	USA	210	30	31	7	0	3	0
31	367184740	AMERICAN STAR	Passenger	USA	197	46	7	0	0	2	0

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32	369024000	GRANDE MARINER	Passenger		184	43	7	0	0	1	0
33	369970571		Dredging or Underwater Ops	USA	164	66	, 6	0	0	1	0
34	338926428	CGNATHAN BRUCKENTHAI	Law Enforcement	USA	151	23	10	0	0	2	0
35	366929330		Research / Survey Vessel	USA	134	39	10	0	12	-	0
36	367126620			USA	112	26	13	0	5	8	8
37	366909510	MARGARET MCALLISTER	Tua	USA	108	26	7	0	10	14	11
38	367553370		Towing	USA	105	33	13	0	1	1	1
39	367384520		Reserved for future use	USA	102	36	20	2	0	1	0
40	367199860	MAURANIA 3	Tua	USA	102	33	16	0	1	4	3
41	366962220	CAPE CHARLES	Tua	USA	98	23	NA	0	15	15	15
42	367005850	MISS ASHLEY	Tua	USA	98	26	7	0	2	0	0
43	366377000	TRANQUILITY	Towing	USA	98	NA	8	0	0	3	0
44	367126590	CAPE HATTERAS	Tuq	USA	95	33	19	0	12	23	23
45	366922110	DEACON	Tug	USA	95	33	NA	0	3	0	0
46	367667560	SEA CRESCENT	Tug	USA	95	26	26	0	0	1	0
47	367049160	ERIN MCALLISTER	Tug	USA	89	33	41	0	7	13	12
48	369970445	MERRITT	Dredging or Underwater Ops	USA	85	33	7	0	0	3	0
49	367642480	CAMIE	Tug	USA	75	26	8	0	0	1	0
50	367501840	SUNNY POINT	Other Type	USA	75	26	NA	0	0	5	1
51	366939080	MISS SHELBY	Tug	USA	72	26	8	0	2	0	0
52	368077920	RANGER	Tug	USA	69	33	11	0	0	1	0
53	366961670	CAPT LEROY	Tug	USA	66	13	NA	0	11	0	0
54	367712460	R/V CAPE FEAR	Other Type	USA	66	20	NA	0	0	4	0
55	367044360	CAPE FEAR	Towing	USA	59	20	NA	0	4	8	11
56	366959780	PONCA	Tug	USA	59	13	NA	0	1	2	2
57	367666060	CAPE FEAR PILOT 3	Pilot Vessel	USA	56	20	NA	0	0	1	1
58	366996190	ISLAND FOX	Tug	USA	56	23	8	4	0	9	0
59	367473540	ROYAL ENGINEER	Towing	USA	52	26	8	3	2	13	1
60	319018500	ASPEN ALTERNATIVE	Yacht	Cayman Islands	50	8	22.3	0	0	2	0
61	368068410	SIRENUSE III	Pleasure Craft	USA	50	14	NA	0	0	1	1
62	366816340	CAPE FEAR PILOT 2	Pilot Vessel	USA	49	20	NA	0	0	1	1
63	338019000	CABERNET	Pleasure Craft	USA	47	10	NA	0	0	2	0

#	MMSI	Name	Type	Flag	Length (ft)	Beam (ft)	Max Draft (ft)	CFMB Lifts	IHB Lifts	CFMB Transits	IHB Transits
64	338115176	BILL SLAYER	Fishina	USA	46	16	NA	0	0	7	10
65	368059860	M/V CAZADOR	Pleasure Craft	USA	37	NA	3	0	0	2	0
66	378353000	& YACHT SCARLET	Pleasure Craft	BVI	34	16	NA	0	0	1	0
67	367713690	R/V SEAHAWK	Other Type	USA	34	12	3	0	0	2	0
68	338222072	EL DORADO	Fishing	USA	33	10	NA	0	0	2	0
69	338179748	OUTNUMBERED	Pleasure Craft	USA	31	6	NA	0	0	1	0
70	367796330	LETTAMELINA	Pleasure Craft	USA	30	8	NA	0	0	5	0
71	367594960	SOUTHERN BELLE	Pleasure Craft	USA	29	8	7.4	0	0	7	0
72	225988673	NAO SANTA MARIA	Pleasure Craft	Spain	28	8	NA	2	0	2	0
73	338097574	SPREZZATURA	Pleasure Craft	USA	27	6	NA	0	0	2	0
74	338926874	CG26274	Search and Rescue	USA	26	10	3	0	0	1	0
75	367795830	NEVER MY LOVE	Pleasure Craft	USA	26	7	NA	0	0	2	0
76	369302000	NEXT DEAL	Pleasure Craft	USA	26	4	NA	0	0	1	1
77	338122714	SEA MACK	Pleasure Craft	USA	25	7	NA	0	0	2	2
78	369164000	SWEETWATER	Pleasure Craft	USA	25	9	NA	0	0	4	0
79	367654040	POMBOO	Pleasure Craft	USA	23	8	NA	0	0	2	0
80	368053030	ANTARES	Pleasure Craft	USA	22	5	NA	0	0	2	1
81	367695960	BEST REVENGE	Pleasure Craft	USA	22	5	NA	0	0	1	3
82	367643510	DAMN NANCY	Pleasure Craft	USA	22	6	NA	0	0	1	1
83	338108969	GEM	Pleasure Craft	USA	22	6	NA	0	0	2	0
84	338180788	KNEE DEEP	Pleasure Craft	USA	21	7	NA	0	0	3	0
85	211811860	YES	Pleasure Craft	Germany	21	6	3.8	0	0	2	0
86	338223978	G FORCE	Pleasure Craft	USA	20	5	NA	0	0	1	0
87	338301061	JOLLY MON III	Pleasure Craft	USA	20	6	NA	0	0	4	0
88	338330064	ROBINS NEST	Pleasure Craft	USA	20	5	NA	0	0	2	2
89	338324416	SOMERSET	Pleasure Craft	USA	20	5	NA	0	0	1	0
90	338330523	FAMILY TRADITION	Pleasure Craft	USA	19	6	NA	0	0	6	5
91	338076478	NORTH STAR II	Pleasure Craft	USA	19	6	2	0	0	2	0
92	339759000	ZARPE	Pleasure Craft	Jamaica	19	6	2	0	0	1	0
93	338082472	APAISER	Pleasure Craft	USA	18	5	1.6	0	0	1	0
94	367747760	FAST BETTY	Pleasure Craft	USA	18	6	NA	0	0	2	1
95	367094530	FREE RANGE CHICKEN	Sailing	USA	18	5	NA	3	3	2	2

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96	338209811	M/Y SEA CHANGE	Pleasure Craft	USA	18	6	NA	0	0	4	1
97	338207029	PHANTHOM	Pleasure Craft	USA	18	6	NA	0	0	2	2
98	338177776	SIDEKICK	Pleasure Craft	USA	18	6	NA	0	0	2	0
99	366897460	ALLY DEE	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	6	NA	0	0	1	1
100	368001660	CONSULTING TIME III	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	6	NA	0	0	1	1
101	338205762	JEN EM	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	5	NA	0	0	2	2
102	338304133	JOURNEY	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	7	NA	0	0	3	0
103	368055780	KALLIOPE	Sailing	USA	17	5	NA	0	0	1	1
104	338204565	KARINE	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	4	NA	0	0	1	1
105	338090282	LAST CHANCE	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	6	NA	0	0	1	0
106	367637640	MOONLIGHT	Sailing	USA	17	6	NA	0	0	2	0
107	338323386	NAUTICAL DREAMER	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	5	NA	0	0	2	0
108	338303156	PERFEITA	Pleasure Craft	USA	17	5	NA	0	0	2	2
109	338328718	ALANI	Pleasure Craft	USA	16	8	NA	2	3	2	0
110	367728450	BRANDY	Pleasure Craft	USA	16	6	4	0	0	2	0
111	367766370	CLARITY	Sailing	USA	16	8	NA	1	0	1	0
112	338338074	FIREFLY	Pleasure Craft	USA	16	8	NA	4	0	4	0
113	367713280	SALT N LIGHT	Pleasure Craft	USA	16	6	NA	0	0	4	4
114	367585630	SPIRIT	Pleasure Craft	USA	16	6	NA	0	0	2	2
115	367768550	TO THE MAX	Pleasure Craft	USA	16	6	NA	0	0	3	3
116	338237526	VOYAGER	Sailing	USA	16	8	NA	0	1	1	1
117	367765830	BLUEMOON	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	6	NA	0	0	1	0
118	368086640	BLUEMOON	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	6	NA	0	0	1	0
119	367664250	DELFINA	Sailing	USA	15	4	NA	0	2	2	2
120	338304806	DIFFERENT DRUMMER	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	5	NA	0	0	3	0
121	338180905	ESCAPE	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	5	NA	0	0	1	0
122	367464120	FIVE O CLOCK	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	5	NA	0	0	1	0
123	338183911	FOREVER YOUNG	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	5	NA	0	0	12	5
124	367530680	FULL MONTY	Sailing	USA	15	8	NA	2	1	2	2
125	338152546	GS LOLLIPOP IV	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	5	NA	0	0	4	0
126	367663260	LECHEILE	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	4	NA	0	0	1	0
127	316040216	LES VOGUER	Pleasure Craft	Canada	15	6	1.8	0	0	2	0

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128	338350963	LILY GRACE	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	4	NA	0	0	3	2
129	211705870	LULLABYE	Pleasure Craft	Germany	15	5	NA	0	0	1	1
130	338144808	MADRINE	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	3	NA	0	0	2	0
131	367502860	MARCO POLO	Sailing	USA	15	4	NA	0	0	6	0
132	366834110	PACHIS	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	5	1.5	0	0	2	0
133	368073970	PAPILLON	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	6	NA	0	0	2	0
134	368100490	PAWSEIDON	Pleasure Craft	USA	15	4	NA	0	0	1	0
135	338205733	AHULLYACHTAFUN	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	6	NA	0	0	4	0
136	338230775	DON'T THINK TWICE	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	6	NA	0	0	2	0
137	338328525	FARMER'S RETREAT	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	5	NA	0	0	2	0
138	367688590	FOXHOLE	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	6	NA	0	0	2	0
139	338338916	INDIGO II	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	6	NA	0	6	1	1
140	338236607	INTEGRITY	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	4	NA	0	0	1	0
141	338334548	KINVARA II	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	6	NA	0	0	2	0
142	367155120	KOHINA	Sailing	USA	14	6	NA	0	0	4	0
143	368009980	LUSCA	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	7	NA	0	0	3	0
144	211770800	NOMAD	Pleasure Craft	Germany	14	5	NA	0	0	2	0
145	367797070	PAPIANA	Sailing	USA	14	9	NA	2	0	2	0
146	368037470	REMEDY	Sailing	USA	14	8	NA	0	0	2	0
147	232012541	SAUL GOODMAN	Pleasure Craft	United Kingdom	14	8	NA	0	0	2	0
148	368110860	SEASCAPE	Sailing	USA	14	8	NA	0	0	1	1
149	338328994	STARDUST	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	4	NA	0	0	4	2
150	368077930	SUNDANCE	Pleasure Craft	USA	14	6	NA	0	4	2	0
151	368060350	360 DEGREES	Sailing	USA	13	8	NA	2	0	2	0
152	367649140	AN ALARC H	Sailing	USA	13	5	NA	0	0	1	0
153	368116150	AS YOU WISH	Sailing	USA	13	8	NA	2	0	1	0
154	367462710	BUMPER CROP	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	1	0
155	316029431	DAGNY	Sailing	USA	13	4	NA	2	0	1	0
156	367596430	ESCAPADE	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	5	NA	0	0	1	1
157	316028384	FALCO	Pleasure Craft	Canada	13	4	NA	0	1	1	0
158	368048370	GABRIELLA	Sailing	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	2	0
159	367794240	GIRO	Sailing	USA	13	8	NA	0	1	2	2

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160	338310059	MISTY	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	2	0
161	368077210	OHANA KAI	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	8	NA	1	0	1	0
162	367758330	PANORAMA	Sailing	USA	13	7	NA	0	0	1	0
163	338126999	PIPER CLEMENTINE	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	1	0
164	338325114	PURA VIDA	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	5	5
165	338336795	RHAPSODY	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	2	0
166	367033160	SATORI	Sailing	USA	13	4	NA	0	0	1	0
167	368009970	SOLMATES	Sailing	USA	13	3	NA	0	0	1	0
168	367671250	TERANGA	Sailing	USA	13	4	NA	0	1	2	1
169	338232498	WATERLILY	Pleasure Craft	USA	13	5	NA	0	0	1	0
170	265695350	ZIROCCO	Sailing	Sweden	13	4	NA	0	1	2	1
171	338324168	ALYSANA	Pleasure Craft	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	2
172	368052750	AMAROK	Pleasure Craft	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	0
173	369044000	JULE III	Sailing	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	0
174	338324601	JULE OF THE SEA	Sailing	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	0
175	367638350	LA BELLA VITA	Sailing	USA	12	6	NA	0	0	9	0
176	316026363	MIGRATOR 1	Pleasure Craft	Canada	12	4	NA	0	0	1	0
177	338324433	SEA EAGLE	Pleasure Craft	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	1	0
178	338205201	STELLA	Pleasure Craft	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	0
179	338186597	TRAVELER	Pleasure Craft	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	2
180	367066460	TWOCAN	Pleasure Craft	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	1	0
181	367753190	WAXY	Sailing	USA	12	4	NA	0	0	2	0
182	367655360	ANCON	Pleasure Craft	USA	11	4	NA	0	0	2	0
183	338240807	GUMP STUMP	Pleasure Craft	USA	11	4	NA	0	0	2	0
184	338096053	YAWATEG	Sailing	USA	11	3	NA	0	1	1	1
185	316027819	ALTERA	Sailing	Canada	10	4	NA	0	2	1	0
186	338125806	MARADEL	Pleasure Craft	USA	10	4	NA	0	0	2	0
187	367452320	QUINITA	Sailing	USA	10	6	NA	0	0	1	0
188	368045070	LAST TANGO	Pleasure Craft	USA	9	4	NA	0	0	2	0
189	368069690	SEA SHANTY	Pleasure Craft	USA	9	3	NA	0	0	2	0
190	367683680	CAPT HENRY RAY	Not Available	USA	8	4	NA	0	0	2	2
191	338332418	STARDUST	Pleasure Craft	USA	8	4	NA	0	0	1	0

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192	NA	ARGONAUT	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
193	NA	ATC 21	Barge (non-propelled)	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	4	0	0
194	NA	AVENTYR	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	3	0	0
195	366950440	BAYOU BRAVE	Tug	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	4	3	3
196	368094510	BELLE	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	1	1
197	NA	BIG EZ	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	3	3	0	0
198	NA	BISHOP III	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	1	0	0
199	NA	BRAVEHEART	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
200	NA	CALLIOPI	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
201	NA	CARDUFF	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
202	NA	CARIBBEAN DREAM	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	2	0	0
203	367444230	CAROLINA GIRL	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	2	3	2	2
204	NA	CHRISTABEL I	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
205	NA	CORDILIA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
206	NA	COVERED	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	3	0	0
207	NA	DAGNY	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	0	0	0
208	NA	DAYO	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	5	5	0	0
209	NA	DURANGO	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
210	NA	ELUSIVE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
211	NA	ENDAXY	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
212	NA	EYRA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	7	0	0
213	NA	FAIR WIND	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
214	NA	FAT CAT	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
215	NA	FORMONA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
216	NA	FRESH BREEZE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
217	NA	JADE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	2	0	0
218	368072130	JOURNEY ON	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	2	0
219	NA	KATMANDU	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	2	0	0
220	NA	KEEL JOY	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
221	316029052	KING AND I	Pleasure Craft	Canada	NA	NA	NA	0	0	2	0
222	NA	KUDU	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
223	NA	LANDSCAPE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	3	0	0

#	MMSI	Name	Туре	Flag	Length (ft)	Beam (ft)	Max Draft (ft)	CFMB Lifts	IHB Lifts	CFMB Transits	IHB Transits
224	NA	LATITUDE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
225	NA	LEAWARD	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
226	NA	LOANA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
227	NA	LOUISIANA	Barge (non-propelled)	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	4	0	0
228	NA	LOURANNE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
229	338314632	LOVELY LADY	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	3	0
230	NA	MA CHERIE	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	3	0	0
231	NA	MAIA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
232	NA	MARBELLA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
233	NA	MARI'S LEONARDO	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
234	NA	MARY DOLL	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	1	0	0
235	NA	MERYGOLD	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
236	NA	MIAHA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
237	367192120	MIGRATION	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	2	2
238	NA	MOODY	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
239	368080840	MOONPEARL	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	2	0
240	NA	MOONRAKER	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
241	NA	MUOI	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
242	367384540	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	1	1
243	367545660	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	1	1
244	338153674	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	1	1
245	NA	NC E197 WLM	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
246	NA	NESUS	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	0	0	0
247	NA	NINA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	2	0	0	0
248	NA	PAU HANA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
249	NA	PEACE LOVE & HAPPINESS	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
250	368011570	PHOENIX	Sailing	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	2	0
251	NA	PIECES	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
252	NA	PL&S	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
253	NA	QUEST	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	7	0	0
254	NA	REMANI	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
255	NA	ROCKIN ROBBIN	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	1	0	0

#	MMSI	Name	Туре	Flag	Length (ft)	Beam (ft)	Max Draft (ft)	CFMB Lifts	IHB Lifts	CFMB Transits	IHB Transits
256	338224804	SCALIWAG	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	1	0
257	NA	SEA COW	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	1	0	0
258	NA	SEA TOW 10	Commercial / Towing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
259	NA	SEAS THE DAY	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
260	NA	SIRICO	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
261	338154994	SMOOTH	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	5	0
262	NA	SOUTHERN CHARM	Commercial	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
263	NA	SQIRIGA	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
264	NA	STORMY MONDAY	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
265	NA	SUBLIME	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	1	0	0
266	NA	THREE JESTERS	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
267	NA	TOW BOAT US	Commercial / Towing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	4	0	0
268	NA	TWO GRAND	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
269	338173625	VA BENE	Sailing	USA	NA	NA	NA	2	0	2	0
270	NA	VERRICCO	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
271	NA	VISION III	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	1	0	0
272	NA	VIVID	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
273	NA	VOYAGER	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
274	NA	WALLFLOWER	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
275	NA	WATER SONG	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0
276	NA	WHITE DREAM	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	0	0	0
277	NA	WHITE LOTUS	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	1	0	0
278	367721980	WONCE MORE	Pleasure Craft	USA	NA	NA	6	0	0	1	0
279	NA	Y DREAM	Sailing	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	2	0	0

<u>Notes:</u> *Fields updated per counsel from Cape Fear River Pilots Association and other precedents in the dataset. See Exhibit E for information related to AIS.

EXHIBIT E Automatic Identification System (AIS) Information

The automatic identification system (AIS) is an automatic tracking system that uses transceivers on vessels to track their positions to enable safer navigation and enhance reporting. AIS data is available to the public and is advertised for use for planning purposes. With tools and assistance from MarineCadstre.gov the AIS data can used to display vessel traffic characteristics and frequencies.

For the purposes of this report, the last full year of available AIS data was used which was 2019.

Use of AIS data in assessing recreational and commercial waterway usage is fitting given the requirements set forth in Code of Federal Regulations, Title 33 § 164.01(b) which, in summary, require AIS carriage on the following vessels:

- A self-propelled vessel of 65 feet or more in length, engaged in commercial service.
- A towing vessel of 26 feet or more in length and more than 600 horsepower, engaged in commercial service.
- A self-propelled vessel that is certificated to carry more than 150 passengers.
- A self-propelled vessel that carries less than 150 passengers, does not operate in a Vessel Traffic Service or Vessel Movement Reporting System area defined in Table 161.12(c) of § 161.12, and does not operate at speeds in excess of 14 knots.
- A self-propelled vessel engaged in dredging operations in or near a commercial channel or shipping fairway in a manner likely to restrict or affect navigation of other vessels.
- A self-propelled vessel engaged in the movement of (1) certain dangerous cargo as defined in subpart C of part 160 of this chapter, or (2) flammable or combustible liquid cargo in bulk that is listed in 46 CFR 30.25–1, Table 30.25–1.
- Fishing industry vessels

Source: <u>https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=AISRequirementsRev</u> Title 33, Code of Federal Regulations Section 164

<u>EXHIBIT F</u> City of Wilmington Facilities Docking Usage Statistics 2003 – 2019



<u>EXHIBIT G</u> USACE 2019 Cargo & Trip Reports Northeast (Cape Fear) River, NC

2019 Trips Report (Excerpt)

	All Traffic Types			Self-Propelled Tanker			Sel	f-Propelled	Towboat	Non-Self-Propelled Tanker Liquid Barge			
Draft (ft)	Total	Receipts	Shipments	Total	Receipts	Shipments	Total	Receipts	Shipments	Total	Receipts	Shipments	
0	133	68	65	39	19	20	39	20	19	51	28	23	
7	58	27	31	0	0	0	36	17	19	22	10	12	
9	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
10	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	
14	15	8	7	1	0	1	0	0	0	14	8	6	
15	5	3	2	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	
16	5	4	1	0	0	0	3	3	0	2	1	1	
17	2	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
18	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
19	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	
20	2	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
21	5	1	4	4	0	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	
22	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
23	3	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	
24	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
25	5	1	4	3	0	3	0	0	0	2	1	1	
26	3	3	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	
27	5	2	3	4	1	3	0	0	0	1	1	0	

28	7	3	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	4	2	2
29	2	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	3	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
33	2	1	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
34	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<u>Note:</u> For full report please visit the source link below. This excerpt excludes fields for Non-Self Propelled Dry Cargo Barge because there were zero trip reported, and excludes Self-Propelled Dry Cargo because only two trips were reported (one vessel with zero feet of draft and another with 28 feet of draft).

2019 Cargo Report

	All Traffic Types								
Commodity	Total	Intraport	Receipts	Shipments	Through				
Other Chemicals and Related Products	188,836	0	176,549	12,287	0				
Fertilizers	92,758	0	92 <i>,</i> 758	0	0				
Petroleum Pitches, Coke, Asphalt, Naptha and Solvents	18,823	0	18,823	0	0				
Unknown or Not Elsewhere Classified	2,261	0	1,855	406	0				
All Manufactured Equipment, Machinery and Products	2,135	0	0	2,135	0				
Other Agricultural Products; Food and Kindred Products	246	0	0	246	0				
Forest Products, Lumber, Logs, Woodchips	43	0	0	43	0				
Primary Non-Ferrous Metal Products;Fabricated Metal Prods.	21	0	0	21	0				
All Commodities	305,123	0	289,985	15,138	0				

	Domestic							
Commodity	Total	Intraport	Receipts	Shipments	Through			
Other Chemicals and Related Products	155,481	0	143,214	12,267	0			
Fertilizers	68,462	0	68,462	0	0			
Petroleum Pitches, Coke, Asphalt, Naptha and Solvents	18,823	0	18,823	0	0			
Unknown or Not Elsewhere Classified	0	0	0	0	0			

All Manufactured Equipment, Machinery and Products	0	0	0	0	0
Other Agricultural Products; Food and Kindred Products	0	0	0	0	0
Forest Products, Lumber, Logs, Woodchips	0	0	0	0	0
Primary Non-Ferrous Metal Products; Fabricated Metal Prods.	0	0	0	0	0
All Commodities	242,766	0	230,499	12,267	0

			Foreign		
Commodity	Total	Intraport	Receipts	Shipments	Through
Other Chemicals and Related Products	33,355	0	33 <i>,</i> 335	20	0
Fertilizers	24,296	0	24,296	0	0
Petroleum Pitches, Coke, Asphalt, Naptha and Solvents	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown or Not Elsewhere Classified	2,261	0	1,855	406	0
All Manufactured Equipment, Machinery and Products	2,135	0	0	2,135	0
Other Agricultural Products; Food and Kindred Products	246	0	0	246	0
Forest Products, Lumber, Logs, Woodchips	43	0	0	43	0
Primary Non-Ferrous Metal Products; Fabricated Metal Prods.	21	0	0	21	0
All Commodities	62,357	0	59,486	2,871	0

Source http://cwbi-ndc-nav.s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com/files/wcsc/webpub/#/report-landing/year/2019/region/1/location/844

EXHIBIT H OUTREACH LOG

Broad outreach requesting information, feedback and comments from the public will be conducted between June 28th and July 26th, 2021. Waterway users are asked to complete a survey. This public outreach opportunity will be publicized via press releases, press reports, television, newspaper advertisement, social media applications, flyers, mailers and during government meetings open to the public.

Agency & Government Consultations

United States Coast Guard – Fifth District Bridge Office United States Coast Guard – Waterways Management Division for North Carolina Sector United State Army Corp of Engineers – Operations Division MarineCadastre.gov (Bureau of Ocean Management / National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration North Carolina Department of Transportation – Division 3 Military Ocean Terminal – Sunny Point, Fire and Emergency Services University of North Carolina Wilmington New Hanover County

- Sheriff's Office
- Fire Captain
- Emergency Management

City of Wilmington

- Parks & Recreation
- Police Department
- Fire Department

Other Direct Stakeholder Outreach Cape Fear River Pilots Association Cape Fear Boat Works Specialty Boatworks