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Lower Granite navigation lock slated for 18-hour closure; cross-dam vehicle traffic temporarily closed Sept. 6

POMEROY, Wash. – The navigation lock at Lower Granite Lock and Dam, located at Snake River mile 107.5, will be closed to all river traffic Wednesday, Sept. 6, from 7 a.m. until 11 p.m., U.S. Army Corps of Engineers navigation officials at the Walla Walla District announced today.

The dam will be closed to all public vehicle traffic during the outage to allow workers to remove a maintenance pedestrian bridge that crosses the lock.

Lower Granite's navigation lock on the lower Snake River is part of the federal inland channel system that provides navigation from the mouth of the Columbia River near Astoria, Ore., to port facilities on the rivers in Lewiston-Clarkston. Transporters shipped about 17.5 million tons of products through the lower Snake River locks in 2005.

Public Notices and other navigation lock information are available on the Walla Walla District Web site at <http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/html/offices/op/t/navdata/default.html>.

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