



Recreational Boating Remains Prohibited in the Gowanus Canal

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Please be advised that the US Coast Guard's Notice To Mariners, issued 11/3/20, remains in effect. This notice can be viewed in the gowanussuperfund.com [Document Library](#), and states:

"The Gowanus Canal is closed to all recreational boating between 9th Street and Butler Street, including use of the 2nd Street public boat launch, at the direction of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the lead federal agency for the Gowanus Canal Superfund Site, due to the ongoing construction of the dredging and capping remedy of the canal until further notice unless specific advance written authorization is granted by USEPA."

The Gowanus Remediation Team (GRT) recommends that for safety reasons all mariners avoid boating anywhere within the canal at all times due to the increased maritime traffic associated with the remedial construction. Barges and other vessels enter the canal on a regular basis to deliver equipment and materials to various sites. This level of activity and the significant amount and type of equipment staged in the Canal presents additional safety risks to small recreational crafts.

For questions and concerns please reach out to the GRT at info@gowanussuperfund.com or call the hotline at (718) 403-2451.