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**NOTICE TO NAVIGATION INTERESTS**

**DATE:** April 9th, 2021

**POC:** Chicago Harbor Lock and Dam  
(815) 510-0361

**NOTICE NUMBER:** 13766-1

**LOCAL NUMBER:**

**WATERWAY:** CHICAGO RIVER

**EFFECTIVE:** 04/13/2021 05:00 thru 04/13/2021 09:00 CDT

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**REVERSE BACKFLOW EVENT ON CHICAGO RIVER**  
Chicago River

1. The Chicago Harbor Lock will conduct a reverse backflow test on Tuesday, April 13th, 2021 from 0500 CST to 0900 CST. The purpose of this reverse test will be to measure the maximum uplift pressure that occurs within the Chicago Harbor Lock Chamber during a typical backflow event. During this testing event, there will be a rapid rise in flow and stage along the Chicago river system which could present a safety concern to vessels transiting or moored in this area.

2. In the event that the testing event is completed prior to the scheduled end date, an amendment to this Notice to Navigation Interest will be posted as soon as the testing has been completed.

3. The following link provides access to:

All USACE Notices to Navigation Interests

<https://ntnoinotices.usace.army.mil/lpwb/f?p=150:1>

4. If you have any questions/comments/concerns regarding this Notice to Navigation Interests, please contact Michael Walsh, USACE Chicago District Waterway Section Chief, (815) 510-0361 or Michael.J.Walsh@usace.army.mil.

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