

If you are calling for the Indian River Inlet Notice to Mariners, please press 6

*This message was updated **Monday, August 15, 2011 at 2:00pm.***

As the mainspan construction of the new cable stay bridge nears completion over the main channel of the Indian River Inlet, mariners should be aware of the following conditions. The bridge construction utilizes a form traveler system, which is partially suspended beneath the new bridge. As the construction advances over the inlet, these form travelers will temporarily encroach upon the existing navigable channel beneath the existing bridge.

On Monday, August 15th the north form traveler was lowered from the bridge onto a barge and shipped off site. The remaining south side traveler will continue to be utilized through early November for the remaining bridge construction activities over the inlet. The main channel will remain unobstructed north and south of the existing traveler until its scheduled removal in November. Existing bridge underclearances through these areas will vary between 32 and 35 feet above the mean high water elevation of 0.84 feet. Actual clearance levels beneath the traveler are posted on the form traveler and will be updated as the traveler's position changes.

Please visually identify the travelers and use caution while navigating through this area. Mariners should avoid navigating directly beneath the form travelers and are reminded to keep the channel clear to other boaters. All anglers are asked to avoid fishing under and around the form travelers at all times.

If you expect to be navigating in or around the Indian River Inlet during this time frame, please be sure to check this line for any additional updates.