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Louisiana Leaders Celebrate Deepening of the Mississippi River Ship Channel

Louisiana elected officials, federal partners and maritime stakeholders joined the Big River Coalition to celebrate the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) completion of the first two phases of the deepening of the Mississippi River Ship Channel, which presently provides a maximum draft for vessels to the Port of New Orleans at 50-feet. The project allows larger vessels carrying more cargo to access maritime facilities on the Lower Mississippi River.

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Port of New Orleans Harbor Police Names Cedric Turner as Captain

The Harbor Police Department (HPD) of the Port of New Orleans (Port NOLA) has named Cedric Turner to serve as Captain of the specialized law enforcement agency. Turner has served in law enforcement for 26 years and 20 of those working up the ranks in HPD. As Captain, Turner will be responsible for running the day-to-day operations of HPD's Patrol Division, which is critical in HPD's mission in ensuring the safety and security throughout port property and waterways within the Port's three-parish jurisdiction of Jefferson, Orleans and St. Bernard Parish.

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New Mississippi Riverboat American Symphony to Sets Sail from Port NOLA

The inaugural sailing of American Cruise Lines' (ACL) *American Symphony* departed Aug. 27th from the Port of New Orleans (Port NOLA). This state-of-the-art cruise passenger vessel is the fifth riverboat in ACL's ground-breaking new series and adds to American Cruise Lines' four other homeported cruise vessels in New Orleans.

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Gov. Edwards, Port of

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Awarded \$514,965 in Port
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**Carnival Cruise Line Says
Booking Activity Nearly
Doubles 2019 Comparison
After COVID Protocols
Simplified**

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Snapshot: Port NOLA and the National Port Company of the Republic of Honduras signed a Memorandum of Understanding to strengthen cooperation between the two ports. Thanks to CRC Global Solutions for facilitating and for working with us to ensure that Port NOLA remains the Gulf Gateway of choice.

Neutral Ground News:

Port of New Orleans President and CEO Brandy Christian joined Kaare Johnson on The Neutral Ground. Her segment starts at 30:43. Check it out.

[Listen to the full interview here](#)



Port of New Orleans Pres CEO Brandy Christian Joins Kaare on The Neutral Ground

In The News: Have you seen some of the recent media coverage on Port NOLA?

Homeland Security Today: "Port of New Orleans Receives FEMA Funding to Upgrade Police Technology"

Biz New Orleans: "New Mississippi Riverboat American Symphony Sets Sail from Port NOLA"

Professional Mariner: "Second phase of Mississippi River channel deepening completed"

JOC.com: "New Orleans H1 breakbulk tonnage doubles amid 'spillover' surge"

Fox 8: "Leaders celebrate finish of first phase of Mississippi River dredging project"

Bloomberg: "Carnival Cruise Bookings Nearly Double After Covid Curbs Eased"

NOLA.com: "The mighty Mississippi River is even mightier now; here's why"

Louisiana Record: "Gov. Edwards and Economic Development Officials to Travel to Netherlands and France to Further Develop Water Management and Economic Partnerships"

Biz New Orleans: "Cedric Turner Named Captain of Port NOLA Harbor Police"

Dredge Wire: "USA: 2022 Power Ports"

WGNO: "Gov. Edwards to advance La.'s economic interests in Netherlands, France trip"

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Upcoming Board of Commissioners Meeting: Our next Regular Board Meeting will be held September 22. Click [here](#) for more details.

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