

## Notice to mariners, pleasure boat navigators and users of the St. Lawrence River

## Nautical traffic near the New Champlain Bridge Project

**Montréal, Tuesday, June 16, 2015** – Signature on the Saint Lawrence consortium wishes to advise the St. Lawrence River users that the New Champlain Bridge Project in-water works were started on June 16, 2015, for the construction of the west jetty. This temporary work will be built from the north-east bank of Nun's Island, and will extend 500 meters into the river. The jetty will remain in place until the end of 2018. Rip-rap placement activities will take place from the river bank, along with membrane installation performed from boats and barges. As well, geotechnical investigations are ongoing, also performed from anchored barges at several future pile locations.

Generally, nautical traffic will be more frequent for the entire duration of the project. It is, therefore, recommended to be cautious, reduce speed and pay particular attention while passing close to the project works, directly downstream of the existing Champlain Bridge. In this context, this navigation zone is considered a construction work site. As well, work will also be performed during the night; therefore, the same recommendations apply during night time.

Buoys will be installed to indicate the location of the work site and barges. The jetty will be illuminated at night. We invite the navigators and users to respect these indications and markers for their own safety, and to reduce speed while approaching these works and crafts performing works.

In total, three jetties will be built; the second one will be built on the river side of the Seaway Dyke, within the New Champlain Bridge alignment, downstream of the existing Champlain Bridge. This jetty construction will start later this summer, and a specific Notice will be sent. A third jetty will be built on the South Shore, later in October 2015.

## Information

Our website is under development; however, for more information, you can contact us by email at <u>info@SSLC.ca</u> or through our info-line 514-876-1020.