

categorically excluded from further environmental documentation because it is establishing a temporary safety zone.

List of Subjects In 33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, and Safety measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the Preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR Part 165 as follows:

PART 165—REGULATED AREAS AND LIMITED NAVIGATION AREAS

1. The authority citation for Part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1231; 50 U.S.C. 191; 49 CFR 1.46 and 33 CFR 1.05–1(g), 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5.

2. Temporary § 165.T00–065 is added to read as follows:

§ 165.T07–065 Safety Zone; San Juan Harbor, Puerto Rico

(a) *Regulated Area.* A temporary safety zone is established within a 1500-foot radius surrounding the drill boat Apache, operating at the entrance to San Juan Harbor in the approximate position of 18°28.3691' N, 066°07.6889' W, when the vessel is conducting drilling or blasting.

(b) *Regulations.* (1) In accordance with the general regulations in 165.23 of this part, entry into, anchoring, mooring or transiting in this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Coast Guard Captain of the Port.

(2) Notifications of blasting or drilling operations will be broadcast via VHF–FM radio Channel 16 beginning 2 hours prior to operations.

(c) *Dates.* These regulations become effective at 7 a.m., (ast), on July 9, 2000, and expires at 11:59 p.m., (ast), October 31, 2000.

Dated: July 6, 2000.

J. Servidio,

Commander, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[CGD01–00–185]

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Safety Zone: IB 909 Barge Conducting Outfall Pipe Construction in Massachusetts Bay

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for the Cashman/Interberton IB 909 barge conducting outfall pipe construction in Massachusetts Bay. The safety zone temporarily closes all waters in Massachusetts Bay within a five hundred (500) yard radius of the IB 909 barge located at position 42°23'19.57"N, 070°46'50.12"W.

DATES: This rule is in effect from Friday, July 7, 2000 until Saturday, October 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments and Material received from the public, as well as documents as indicated in this preamble are part of docket CG D01–00–185 and are available for inspection or copying at Marine Safety Office Boston, 455 Commercial Street, Boston, MA 02109 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lieutenant (junior grade) David Sherry, Marine Safety Office Boston, Waterways Management Division, at (617) 223–3000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) was not published for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a NPRM and for making this regulation effective in less than 30 days after **Federal Register** publication. Conclusive information about this event was not provided to the Coast Guard until June 14, 2000, making it impossible to draft or publish a NPRM or a final rule 30 days in advance of its effective date. Publishing a NPRM and delaying its effective date would be contrary to the public interest since immediate action is needed to close a portion of the waterway and protect the maritime public from the hazards associated with this construction project.

Background and Purpose

This regulation establishes a safety zone on the waters of Massachusetts Bay in a five hundred (500) yard radius around the IB 909 construction barge located at position 42°23'19.57"N, 070°46'50.12"W. The safety zone is in effect from Friday, July 7, 2000 until Saturday, October 21, 2000. This safety zone prohibits entry into or movement within this portion of Massachusetts Bay and is needed to protect the maritime public from the dangers posed by this construction project.

Regulatory Evaluation

This rule is not a “significant regulatory action” under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that Order. It is not significant under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040, February 26, 1979).

Due to the limited size of the safety zone, the fact that the safety zone will not restrict navigational channels, and the advance maritime advisories that will be made, the Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under paragraph 10e of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT is unnecessary.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), the Coast Guard considered whether this rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The term “small entities” comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This rule will affect the following entities, some of which may be small entities: the owners or operators of vessels intending to transit or anchor in a portion of Massachusetts Bay in the vicinity of 42°23'19.57"N, 070°46'50.12"W from July 7, 2000 until October 21, 2000.

This safety zone will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities for the following reasons: mariners may freely navigate around the safety zone

and the Coast Guard will issue marine radio advisories before the effective period widely available to users of the Bay.

Assistance for Small Entities

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104-121), the Coast Guard offered to assist small entities in understanding the rule so that they could better evaluate its effects on them and participate in the rulemaking process.

Small businesses may send comments on the actions of Federal employees who enforce, or otherwise determine compliance with, Federal regulations to the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman and the Regional Small Business Regulatory Fairness Boards. The Ombudsman evaluates these actions annually and rates each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to comment on actions by employees of the Coast Guard, call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247).

Collection of Information

This rule calls for no new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520).

Federalism

The Coast Guard analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13132 and has determined that this rule does not have implications for federalism under that Order.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531-1538) governs the issuance of Federal regulations that require unfunded mandates. An unfunded mandate is a regulation that requires a State, local, or tribal government or the private sector to incur direct costs without the Federal Government's having first provided the funds to pay those costs. This rule would not impose an unfunded mandate.

Taking of Private Property

This rule would not effect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets applicable standards in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to

minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

Protection of Children

The Coast Guard analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and does not concern an environmental risk to health or risk to safety that may disproportionately affect children.

Environment

The Coast Guard considered the environmental impact of this rule and concluded that, under figure 2-1, (34)(g), of Commandant Instruction M16475.IC, this rule is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation. A "Categorical Exclusion Determination" is available in the docket for inspection or copying where indicated under ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 165 as follows:

PART 165—REGULATED NAVIGATION AREAS AND LIMITED ACCESS AREAS

1. The authority citation for part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1231; 50 U.S.C. 191; 33 CFR 1.05-1(g), 6.04-1, 6.04-6, and 160.5; 49 CFR 1.

2. Add temporary § 165.T01-185 to read as follows:

§ 165.T01-185 Safety Zone: IB 909 Barge Outfall Pipe Construction, Massachusetts Bay, Massachusetts

(a) *Location.* The following area is a safety zone: All waters of Massachusetts Bay within a five hundred (500) yard radius of the construction barge located at position 42°23'19.57" N, 070°46'50.12" W.

(b) *Effective Date.* This section is effective from Friday, July 7, 2000 until Saturday, October 21, 2000.

(c) *Regulations.*

(1) In accordance with the general regulations in § 165.23 of this part, entry into or movement within this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Boston.

(2) All vessel operators shall comply with the instructions of the COTP or the designated on-scene U.S. Coast Guard patrol personnel. On-scene Coast Guard patrol personnel include commissioned,

warrant, and petty officers of the Coast Guard on board Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary, local, state, and federal law enforcement vessels.

Dated: July 5, 2000.

J. R. Whitehead,

Captain, U. S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Boston, Massachusetts.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

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Safety Zone: Navy Pier, Lake Michigan, Chicago Harbor, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Temporary final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone. The safety zone encompasses a portion of the Chicago Harbor. The safety zone is needed to protect vessels and spectators during fireworks shows scheduled for various dates during the summer of the year 2000.

DATES: This temporary final rule is effective at 9:15 p.m., May 28, 2000 until 10:30 p.m., August 23, 2000.

ADDRESSES: You may direct comments to the Captain of the Port, Chicago Illinois, CGD09-00-013, 215 W. 83rd Street, Chicago, Illinois 60521 or deliver them to the Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, 215 W. 83rd Street, Suite D, Burr Ridge, Illinois. The telephone number is (630) 986-2155. The Marine Safety Office, Chicago, Illinois maintains the public docket. Comments and documents as indicated in this preamble will be available for inspection or copying between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lieutenant Diane J. Hauser, U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, 215 W. 83rd Street, Burr Ridge, Illinois 60521. The telephone number is (630) 986-2155.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553, a notice of proposed rulemaking was not published for this regulation and good cause exists for making it effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Publication of a notice of proposed rulemaking and delay of effective date would be contrary to the public interest because immediate