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Chief, Bridge Administration, Seventh Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD05-07-109]

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Raccoon Creek, at Bridgeport, NJ

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, has approved a temporary deviation from the regulations governing the operation of the Consolidated Rail Corporation (CONRAIL) Bridge, at mile 2.0, across Raccoon Creek at Bridgeport, NJ. This deviation allows the drawbridge to remain closed-to-navigation beginning at 7 a.m. on December 3, 2007, until and including 7 p.m. on January 18, 2008 to facilitate mechanical repairs.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on December 3, 2007 to 7 p.m. on January 18, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Materials referred to in this document are available for inspection or copying at Commander (dpb), Fifth Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 1st Floor, 431 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, VA 23704-5004 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (757) 398-6222. Commander (dpb), Fifth Coast Guard District maintains the public docket for this temporary deviation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Waverly W. Gregory, Jr., Bridge Administrator, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (757) 398-6222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CONRAIL Bridge, a swing-type bridge, has a vertical clearance in the closed position to vessels of seven feet, above mean high water.

CONRAIL, the bridge owner, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations set out in 33 CFR Part 117.741 to close the swing bridge to navigation to perform essential mechanical repairs. The repairs will consist of removing and replacing the drive shaft and main pinion gear and repairing the steel which supports the assembly.

To facilitate the repairs, the CONRAIL Bridge will be maintained in the closed-to-navigation position beginning at 7 a.m. on December 3, 2007, until and including 7 p.m. on January 18, 2008.

In accordance with 33 CFR 117.35(e), the drawbridge must return to its regular operating schedule immediately at the end of the designated time period. This deviation from the operating regulations is authorized under 33 CFR 117.35.

Dated: October 31, 2007.

Waverly W. Gregory, Jr.,

Chief, Bridge Administration Branch, Fifth Coast Guard District.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. COTP San Francisco Bay 07-051]

RIN 1625-AA00

Safety Zone; Alameda County Sheriff's Office Maritime Interdiction Training, San Francisco Bay, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone in the navigable waters of San Francisco Bay, during the Alameda County Sheriff's Office Maritime Interdiction Training. This safety zone is established to ensure the safety of participants and the public from dangers associated with the training. Unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or remaining in the safety zone without permission of the Captain of the Port or his designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on November 1, 2007, November 8, 2007, and November 15, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, are part of the docket COTP San Francisco Bay 07-051 and are available for inspection or copying at Coast Guard Sector San Francisco, 1 Yerba Buena Island, San Francisco, California, 94130, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ensign Sheral Richardson, U.S. Coast Guard Sector San Francisco, at (415) 399-7436.

Regulatory Information

We did not publish a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) for this regulation. Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing an NPRM. Logistical details surrounding the event were not finalized and presented to the Coast Guard in time to draft and publish an NPRM. As such, the event would occur before the rulemaking process was complete. This safety zone is necessary to provide for the safety of participants, participating vessels, and other vessels transiting the event area. For the safety concerns noted, it is in the public interest to have these regulations in effect during the training.

For the same reasons listed in the previous paragraph, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Any delay in the effective date of this rule would expose mariners to the dangers posed by the training.

Background and Purpose

The Alameda County Sheriff's Office will be hosting Maritime Interdiction training provided by A-T Solutions. The training consists of classroom training and a practical exercise onboard a ship. The course is designed to provide law enforcement personnel with the tools and techniques necessary to identify, intercept, and safely board a non-compliant vessel at sea. Maritime attacks, boarding equipment, and boarding procedures will be covered while onboard the ship.

During this event the ship may be anchored, drifting, or underway. The Blue and Gold Fleet Company will provide a ferry to be used as a non-compliant vessel during the training exercises. The practical training on board the Blue and Gold Fleet vessel will take place on November 1, 2007, November 8, 2007, and November 15, 2007, during the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Discussion of Rule

The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone in the vicinity of Hunters Point, in San Francisco Bay. The effect of the temporary safety zone will be to restrict general navigation in the vicinity of Hunters Point, while the training is taking place.

The safety zone includes all navigable waters from the surface to the seafloor, encompassed by connecting the following points: Beginning at 37°43'45" N and longitude 122°20'48" W; latitude 37°43'43" N and longitude 122°19'33"