

For the reasons stated above, the final rule is now effective on March 21, 2025.

Bryan Mercier,

Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs Exercising the delegated authority of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

30 CFR Parts 926 and 950

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Wyoming Regulatory Program and Montana Regulatory Program

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Final rule; delay of effective dates.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Presidential Memorandum of January 20, 2025, titled “Regulatory Freeze Pending Review,” this action temporarily delays the effective date of the Wyoming and Montana Regulatory Program amendments.

DATES: The effective date of the rule published on January 13, 2025, at 90 FR 2614 (Wyoming Regulatory Program amendment) is delayed until March 21, 2025, and the rule published on January 15, 2025, at 90 FR 3673 (Montana Regulatory Program amendment) is delayed until March 21, 2025.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Wyoming Regulatory Program

On January 13, 2025, OSMRE published a rule approving an amendment to the Wyoming Regulatory Program. The amendment proposed rules that would facilitate the disposal of inert decommission wind turbine blades and towers as backfill in end walls or the final pit voids in surface coal mining operations. The State also made changes to its regulations to provide consistency with the Wyoming Secretary of State’s Rules on Rules, as well as correct grammatical errors.

Montana Regulatory Program

On January 15, 2025, OSMRE published a rule partially approving and partially not approving an amendment to the Montana Regulatory Program. The amendment concerned changes to the definition of material damage and changes to permit requirements related to hydrologic information.

On January 20, 2025, the White House issued a memorandum instructing Federal agencies to consider postponing the effective date of any regulations that have published in the **Federal Register** but not yet taken effect for 60 days from date of the memorandum “for the purpose of reviewing any questions of fact, law, and policy that the rules may arise.” After consideration, OSMRE is delaying the effective date of the Wyoming and Montana Regulatory Program amendments published on January 13, 2025 (90 FR 2614) and January 15, 2025 (90 FR 3673), respectively.

OSMRE is taking this action to extend the effective date without opportunity for public comment and with an immediate effective date based on the good cause exemptions in 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(4)(B). Seeking public comment on the effective date extension is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest. The temporary delay in effective date is necessary to give Department officials the opportunity for further review and consideration of new regulations, consistent with the memorandum of the President, dated January 20, 2025. Given the imminence of the original effective date of these two amendments, seeking prior public comment on this temporary delay is impractical, and contrary to the public interest in the orderly promulgation and implementation of regulations. For the foregoing reasons, the good cause exception in 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3) also applies to OSMRE’s decision to make this action to extend the effective date effective immediately.

David Berry,

Regional Director, Unified Regions 5, 7–11.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG–2025–0128]

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Safety Zone; Potomac River, District of Columbia

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for waters between the 14th Street Bridge to the north and the Woodrow Wilson Bridge to the south. The safety zone is needed to protect the public and vessels from potential hazards created by an aircraft collision on the Potomac River. Additionally, the safety zone is needed to ensure a safe working environment for the first responders and dive teams from passing traffic. This rule will prohibit persons or vessels from entering this zone unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Sector Maryland-National Capital Region (NCR) or a designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from February 7, 2025, to February 21, 2025. For purposes of enforcement, actual notice will be used.

ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG–2025–0128 in the search box and click “Search.” Next, in the Document Type column, select “Supporting & Related Material.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or email LCDR Kate Newkirk, Sector Maryland-NCR, Waterways Management Branch, U.S. Coast Guard; 410–365–8141, MDNCRWaterways@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port
DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
§ Section
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background Information and Regulatory History

On January 29, 2025, at approximately 9:00 p.m., a regional jet collided midair with a Black Hawk helicopter and landed in the Potomac River near