

associated with this deviation. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Mr. Jim Rousseau, Bridge Administration Branch Fifth District, Coast Guard; telephone (757) 398-6557, email James.L.Rousseau2@uscg.mil. If you have questions on reviewing the docket, call Barbara Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, (202) 366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The North Carolina Department of Transportation, the owner and operator of this bascule bridge, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations set out in 33 CFR 117.821(a)(6), to facilitate bearing replacement to the bridge.

Under the current operating schedule, the draw for the S.R. 74 Bridge, at mile 283.1 over the AICW, at Wrightsville Beach, NC shall open on the hour between 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. need not open except with a two hour advance notice.

Under this temporary deviation, one span of the drawbridge will be maintained in the closed to navigation position at a time, beginning at 7 a.m., on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 until and including to 11 p.m., on Wednesday January 29, 2014. The bridge will operate under its current operating schedule at all other times. The Coast Guard has carefully coordinated the restrictions with commercial and recreational waterway users.

Due to scaffolding hanging below the bridge the S.R. 74 Bridge has a temporary vertical clearance in the closed position of 18 feet above mean high water for ongoing maintenance. Vessels able to pass under the bridge in the closed position may do so at anytime and are advised to proceed with caution. Or, if they can pass through a single span opening, they may request such under the current operating schedule. There is no immediate alternate route for vessels transiting this section of the AICW that cannot pass a single span opening. The Coast Guard will also inform additional waterway users through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the closure periods for the bridge so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impacts caused by the temporary deviation.

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.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG-2013-1023]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Shark River, NJ

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the bascule span of the Route 71 Bridge across Shark River (South Channel), mile 0.8, at Belmar, NJ. The deviation is necessary to facilitate the replacement of motor seals and instrumentation on the drawbridge. This deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed to navigation position during the rehabilitation project.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 7 p.m. on Monday, January 6, 2014 until 5 a.m. on Friday, January 17, 2014.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this deviation [USCG-2013-1023] is available at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Type the docket number in the "SEARCH" box and click "SEARCH". Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this deviation. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12-140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Terrance Knowles, Environmental Protection Specialist, Coast Guard; telephone 757-398-6587, email Terrance.A.Knowles@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Barbara

Hairston, Program Manager, Docket Operations, at 202-366-9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), the owner and operator of this bascule drawbridge, has requested a temporary deviation from the current operating regulations to help facilitate the replacement of motor seals and instrumentation on the bridge. The Route 71 Bridge across Shark River (South Channel), mile 0.8, at Belmar, NJ, has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 13 feet above mean high water (MHW).

Under the current operating schedule set out in 33 CFR 117.5 and 117.751(b), the draw must open promptly and fully for the passage of vessels when a request or signal to open is given, from October 1 through May 14 of any year. Under this temporary deviation, the bridge will be closed-to-navigation for the rehabilitation, which will restrict the operation of the draw span from 7 p.m., on January 6, 2014 through 5 a.m., January 10, 2014 and from 7 p.m., on January 13, 2014 through 5 a.m., January 17, 2014. Vessels able to pass through the bridge in the closed position may do so at anytime. The bridge will not be able to open for emergencies and there is no alternate route for vessels to pass this section of Shark River.

The Coast Guard will inform the users of the waterways through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the change in operating schedule for the bridge so that vessels can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation. Waterway traffic consists of recreational boats, tugs, and barges.

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

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