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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Parts 140, 143, and 146

#### 46 CFR Parts 61 and 62

[USCG–2014–0063]

RIN 1625–AC16

#### Requirements for MODUs and Other Vessels Conducting Outer Continental Shelf Activities With Dynamic Positioning Systems

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard announces a public meeting to receive comments on a notice of proposed rulemaking entitled, “Requirements for MODUs and Other Vessels Conducting Outer Continental Shelf Activities With Dynamic Positioning Systems.” The proposed regulations would establish minimum design, operation, training, and manning standards for mobile offshore drilling units (MODUs) and other vessels using dynamic positioning systems to engage in Outer Continental Shelf activities.

**DATES:** A public meeting will be held in New Orleans, LA, on March 31, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please note that the public meeting has a limited number of seats. We request those who plan to attend to contact the meeting coordinator, Lieutenant Stephanie Waller, by phone or email listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section not later than March 24, 2015. The meeting may close early if all business is finished or time may be extended to allow for more comments. Written comments and related material may be submitted to Coast Guard personnel specified at the meeting for inclusion in the official docket. The comment period for the proposed rule closes May 27, 2015. All written comments and related material

submitted after the meeting must either be submitted to our online docket via <http://www.regulations.gov> on or before May 27, 2015 or reach the Docket Management Facility by that date.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at the following location:

- Board’s Administration Building, 1350 Port of New Orleans Place, New Orleans, LA, 70130. The Board’s Administration Building is located at the Port of New Orleans Headquarters, which is building 3 in the map linked below. Please view the map at the following link for the exact location: [http://portno.com/cms/resources/facilities/facilitiesmaps\\_03.jpg](http://portno.com/cms/resources/facilities/facilitiesmaps_03.jpg).
- Parking will be at local private pay-to-park facilities. The Morial Convention Center’s “J” lot is one option and is about 2 blocks from the Administration Building off of Henderson Street and right across from building 4 in the map linked above, which is Mardi Gras World.

You may submit written comments identified by docket number USCG–2014–0063 before or after the meeting using any one of the following methods:

- (1) *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov> under docket number USCG–2005–21869.
- (2) *Fax:* 202–493–2251.
- (3) *Mail:* Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590–0001.
- (4) *Hand delivery:* Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. The online docket for this rulemaking is available on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> under docket number USCG–2014–0063.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions concerning the public meeting, on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities, or wish to request special assistance or reasonable accommodation at the public meeting, please contact Lieutenant Stephanie Waller, Human Factors and Ship Design Division (CG–ENG–1), Coast Guard, [Stephanie.E.Waller@uscg.mil](mailto:Stephanie.E.Waller@uscg.mil), telephone 202–372–1374. If you have questions on viewing or

submitting material to the docket, call Ms. Cheryl Collins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826 or 1–800–647–5527.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments either orally at the meeting or in writing. If you bring written comments to the meeting, you may submit them to Coast Guard personnel specified at the meeting to receive written comments. These comments will be submitted to our online public docket. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> and will include any personal information you have provided.

##### A. Submitting Comments

If you submit a comment using any of the methods described in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice, please include the docket number for this rulemaking (USCG–2014–0063), indicate the specific section of the NPRM to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and insert “USCG–2014–0063” in the “Search” box. Click on “Submit a Comment” in the “Actions” column. If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period and may change this notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) based on your comments.

##### B. Viewing Comments and Documents

To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and insert

“USCG–2014–0063” in the “Search” box. Click “Search.” Click the “Open Docket Folder” in the “Actions” column. If you do not have access to the Internet, you may view the docket online by visiting 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. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation to use the Docket Management Facility.

### C. Privacy Act

Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008 issue of the **Federal Register** (73 FR 3316).

## II. Background and Purpose

The Coast Guard published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) in the **Federal Register** on November 28, 2014 entitled, “Requirements for MODUs and Other Vessels Conducting Outer Continental Shelf Activities With Dynamic Positioning Systems” (79 FR 70943). In the NPRM we stated our intention to hold a public meeting, and to publish a notice to announce the location and date of that meeting (79 FR 70944).

The proposed rule would establish minimum design, operation, training, and manning standards for MODUs and other vessels using dynamic positioning systems to engage in Outer Continental Shelf activities. Establishing these minimum standards is necessary to improve the safety of people and property involved in such operations, and the protection of the environment in which they operate. The rule would decrease the risk of a loss of position by a dynamically-positioned MODU or other vessel that could result in a fire, explosion, or subsea spill, and support the Coast Guard’s strategic goals of maritime safety and protection of natural resources.

We plan to record this meeting using an audio-digital recorder and to make that audio recording available through a link in our online docket. We will also provide a written summary of the meeting and comments and will place that summary in the docket.

## III. Authority

This notice is issued under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 552(a).

Dated: March 4, 2015.

**J.G. Lantz,**

*Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards, U.S. Coast Guard.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

### 40 CFR Part 228

[EPA–R04–OW–2014–0372; FRL–9921–73–Region 4]

### Ocean Dumping: Expansion of an Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Site Offshore of Jacksonville, Florida

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve an expansion of the ocean dredged material disposal site (ODMDS) site offshore of Jacksonville, Florida pursuant to the Marine Protection, Research and Sanctuaries Act, as amended (MPRSA). The primary purpose for the site expansion is to serve the long-term need for a location to dispose of material dredged from the St. Johns River navigation channel, and to provide a location for the disposal of dredged material for persons who have received a permit for such disposal. The expanded site will be subject to ongoing monitoring and management to ensure continued protection of the marine environment.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before April 10, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R04–OW–2014–0372, by one of the following methods:

- *www.regulations.gov:* Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments and accessing the docket and materials related to this proposed rule.
- *Email:* [mcarthur.christopher@epa.gov](mailto:mcarthur.christopher@epa.gov)
- *Mail:* Christopher McArthur, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Protection Division, Marine Regulatory and Wetlands Enforcement Section, 61 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

*Instructions:* Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–R04–OW–2014–0372. The EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in

the public docket without change and may be made available online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Do not submit through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or email, information that you consider to be CBI or otherwise protected. The [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site is an “anonymous access” system, which means the EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send an email comment directly to the EPA without going through [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the Internet. If you submit an electronic comment, the EPA recommends that you include your name and other contact information in the body of your comment and with any disk or CD–ROM you submit. If the EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, the EPA may not be able to consider your comment. Electronic files should avoid the use of special characters, any form of encryption, and be free of any defects or viruses. For additional information about the EPA’s public docket visit the EPA Docket Center homepage at <http://www.epa.gov/epahome/dockets.htm>.

*Docket:* Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in hard copy during normal business hours from the regional library at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4 Library, 9th Floor, 61 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. For access to the documents at the Region 4 Library, contact the Region 4 Library Reference Desk at (404) 562–8190, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays, for an appointment.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher McArthur, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 4, Water Protection Division, Marine Regulatory and Wetlands Enforcement Section, 61 Forsyth Street, Atlanta, Georgia 30303; phone number (404) 562–9391; email: [mcarthur.christopher@epa.gov](mailto:mcarthur.christopher@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**