

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 165****[Docket No. USCG–2024–0422]****Safety Zone; Washington Channel, Upper Potomac River, Washington, DC****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone for a fireworks display at “The Wharf DC,” in Washington, DC, on June 29, 2024, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulations identify the precise location. During the enforcement period, vessels may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zone unless authorized to do so by the COTP or his representative, and vessels in the vicinity must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

DATES: The regulation for the location identified in line no. 1 of table 2 to 33 CFR 165.506(h)(2) will be enforced from 8:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. on June 29, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email MST2 Hollie Givens, Sector Maryland-NCR, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard: telephone 410–576–2596, email MDNCRMarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone regulation for a fireworks display at The Wharf DC from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on June 29, 2024. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation, “Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays within the Fifth Coast Guard District,” at 33 CFR 165.506, Table 2 to Paragraph (h)(2) specifies the location of the safety zone for the fireworks show, which encompasses portions of the Washington Channel in the Upper Potomac River. As reflected in 33 CFR 165.23, vessels in the vicinity of the safety zone, may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zone during the enforcement period unless authorized to do so by the COTP or his representative, and they must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the **Federal Register**, the Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners and marine information broadcasts.

Dated: May 17, 2024.

David E. O’Connell,*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region.*

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BILLING CODE 9110–04–P**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 165****[Docket No. USCG–2024–0423]****Safety Zone; Washington Channel, Upper Potomac River, Washington, DC****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone for a fireworks display at “The Wharf DC,” in Washington, DC, on June 25, 2024, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulations identify the precise location. During the enforcement period, vessels may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zone unless authorized to do so by the COTP or his representative, and vessels in the vicinity must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

DATES: The regulation for the location identified in line no. 1 of table 2 to 33 CFR 165.506(h)(2) will be enforced from 8:30 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. on June 25, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email MST2 Hollie Givens, Sector Maryland-NCR, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard: telephone 410–576–2596, email MDNCRMarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone regulation for a fireworks display at The Wharf DC from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on June 25, 2024. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation, “Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays within the Fifth Coast Guard District,” at 33 CFR

165.506, table 2 to paragraph (h)(2) specifies the location of the safety zone for the fireworks show, which encompasses portions of the Washington Channel in the Upper Potomac River. As reflected in 33 CFR 165.23, vessels in the vicinity of the safety zone, may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zone during the enforcement period unless authorized to do so by the COTP or his representative, and they must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the **Federal Register**, the Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners and marine information broadcasts.

Dated: May 17, 2024.

David E. O’Connell,*Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region.*

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BILLING CODE 9110–04–P**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY****Coast Guard****33 CFR Part 165****[Docket No. USCG–2024–0420]****Safety Zone; Washington Channel, Upper Potomac River, Washington, DC****AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.**ACTION:** Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone for a fireworks display at “The Wharf DC,” in Washington, DC, on June 08, 2024, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulations identify the precise location. During the enforcement period, vessels may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zone unless authorized to do so by the COTP or his representative, and vessels in the vicinity must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

DATES: The regulation for the location identified in line no. 1 of table 2 to 33 CFR 165.506(h)(2) will be enforced from 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. on June 8, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email MST2 Hollie Givens, Sector

Maryland-NCR, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard: telephone 410-576-2596, email MDNCRMarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone regulation for a fireworks display at The Wharf DC from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. on June 8, 2024. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this event. Our regulation, "Safety Zones; Fireworks Displays within the Fifth Coast Guard District," at 33 CFR 165.506, table 2 to paragraph (h)(2) specifies the location of the safety zone for the fireworks show, which encompasses portions of the Washington Channel in the Upper Potomac River. As reflected in 33 CFR 165.23, vessels in the vicinity of the safety zone, may not enter, remain in, or transit through the safety zone during the enforcement period unless authorized to do so by the COTP or his representative, and they must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

In addition to this notification of enforcement in the **Federal Register**, the Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners and marine information broadcasts.

Dated: May 17, 2024.

David E. O'Connell,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-National Capital Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG-2024-0303]

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Safety Zone; Thames River, Groton, CT

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary interim rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for certain waters of the Thames River, Groton, CT. This action is necessary to provide for the safety of life on the navigable waters in the vicinity of Fort Trumbull. New London, CT to the south of the Pfizer Pier in Groton, CT during installation of submerged cable and the removal and replacement of a floating

drydock. When enforced, entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized Captain of the Port Long Island Sound.

DATES: This rule is effective without actual notice from May 23, 2024 through 11:59 p.m. on July 31, 2024. For the purposes of enforcement, actual notice will be used from May 17, 2024, until May 23, 2024. Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before June 24, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG-2024-0303 using the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for further instructions on submitting comments. To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG-2024-0303 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 Marine Science Technician First Class Mark Paget, Waterways Management Division, Sector Long Island Sound; Telephone (203) 468-4565; Email Mark.A.Paget@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port Long Island Sound
DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
§ Section
TIR Temporary Interim Rule
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background Information and Regulatory History

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are "impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest." Under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because publishing an NPRM would be

impracticable, and contrary to the public interest. The construction details were not finalized until there was insufficient time to publish a NPRM, take public comments, and consider those comments, and issue a final rule by May 17, 2024. It is impracticable to publish an NPRM because we must establish this safety zone by May 17, 2024, to ensure the safety of mariners transiting the area from the dangers associated with the cable installation process and floating drydock installation.

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**. The safety zone established is to ensure public safety during the installation of submerged cable and the removal/replacement of a floating drydock.

We are soliciting comments on this safety zone. If the Coast Guard determines that changes to the temporary interim rule are necessary, we will publish a temporary final rule or other appropriate document.

III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034. The Captain of the Port Long Island Sound (COTP) has determined that potential hazards associated with the submerged cable installation and floating drydock removal/replacement starting May 17, 2024; will be a safety concern for anyone within a 200-yard radius of the construction. This rule is needed to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment in the navigable waters within the safety zone while submerged cable laying and drydock replacement operations are taking place.

IV. Discussion of the Rule

This rule establishes a safety zone from May 17, 2024, through 11:59 p.m. on July 31, 2024. While the safety zone will be effective through this period, it will only be enforced during active submerged cable laying operations and dry dock construction or other instances which may create a hazard to navigation. The Coast Guard anticipates the active submerged cable laying and dry dock construction to take place within a four-to-six-hour period on May 17, 2024, unless the event is delayed because of weather conditions or construction delays in which case it may be subject to enforcement those same hours on a date to be determined before 11:59 p.m. on July 31, 2024. A broadcast notice to mariners will inform the public of the exact date and the enforcement of the safety zone. The