

Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have determined that this action is one of a category of actions that do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. This rule involves a temporary safety zone in the navigable waters around the loading, staging, transit, and display of fireworks near Pier 50 in San Francisco Bay and on Redwood Creek in Redwood City. It is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph L60(a) of Appendix A, Table 1 of DHS Instruction Manual 023–01–001–01, Rev. 1. A Record of Environmental Consideration supporting this determination is available in the docket. For instructions on locating the docket, see the **ADDRESSES** section of this preamble.

G. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to call or email the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to coordinate protest activities so that your message can be received without jeopardizing the safety or security of people, places, or vessels.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Security measures, Waterways.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 165 as follows:

PART 165—REGULATED NAVIGATION AREAS AND LIMITED ACCESS AREAS

■ 1. The authority citation for part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 46 U.S.C. 70034, 70051, 70124; 33 CFR 1.05–1, 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 00170.1, Revision No. 01.3.

■ 2. Add § 165.T11–170 to read as follows:

§ 165.T11–170 Safety Zone; Redwood City Fourth of July Fireworks, Redwood Creek, Redwood City, CA.

(a) *Location.* The following area is a safety zone: all navigable waters of San Francisco Bay, from surface to bottom, within a circle formed by connecting all points 100 feet out from the fireworks vessel during loading and staging at Pier 68 in San Francisco, CA as well as transit and arrival to Redwood Creek, Redwood City, CA. Between 9 p.m. and 10:20 p.m. on July 4, 2024, the safety zone will expand to all navigable

waters, from surface to bottom, within a circle formed by connection all points 850 feet out from the fireworks vessel in approximate position 37°30′28.48″ N–122°12′51.53″ W (NAD 83) or as announced via Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

(b) *Definitions.* As used in this section, “designated representative” means a Coast Guard Patrol Commander, including a Coast Guard coxswain, petty officer, or other officer operating a Coast Guard vessel, or a Federal, State, or Local officer designated by or assisting the Captain of the Port San Francisco (COTP) in the enforcement of the safety zone.

(c) *Regulations.* (1) Under the general safety zone regulations in subpart C of this part, you may not enter the safety zone described in paragraph (a) of this section unless authorized by the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative.

(2) The safety zone is closed to all vessel traffic, except as may be permitted by the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative.

(3) Vessel operators desiring to enter or operate within the safety zone must contact the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative to obtain permission to do so. Vessel operators given permission to enter or operate in the safety zone must comply with all lawful orders or directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP’s designated representative. Persons and vessels may request permission to enter the safety zone on VHF–23A or through the 24-hour Command Center at telephone (415) 399–3547.

(d) *Enforcement period.* This section will be enforced from 9 a.m. until 10:20 p.m. on July 4, 2024.

(e) *Information broadcasts.* The COTP or the COTP’s designated representative will notify the maritime community of periods during which this zone will be enforced, in accordance with 33 CFR 165.7.

Dated: June 25, 2024.

Jordan M. Balduenza,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, San Francisco.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG–2024–0548]

Safety Zone; Providence Fireworks, Providence, RI

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone for the Providence Fireworks on July 2, 2024, to provide the safety of life on navigable waterways during this fireworks display. Our regulation for marine events within the First Coast Guard District identifies the regulated area for this event in Providence, RI. During the enforcement periods, the operator of any vessel in the regulated area must comply with directions from the Patrol Commander or any Official Patrol displaying a Coast Guard ensign.

DATES: The regulations for the event 1.2 Providence Fireworks listed in Table to 33 CFR 165.173 will be enforced from 8:30 p.m. until 10 p.m. on July 2, 2024, or those same hours on July 3, 2024, in the case of inclement weather on July 2, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of enforcement, call or email MST2 Christopher Matthews, Waterways Management Division, Sector Southeastern New England, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 571–610–4969, email SENEWWM@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone for the Providence Fireworks regulated area in 33 CFR 165.173 from 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. on July 2, 2024, or those same hours on July 3, 2024, in the case of inclement weather on July 2, 2024. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during this 1-day event. Our regulation for marine events within the First Coast Guard District, § 165.173, which specifies the location of the regulated area for the Providence Fireworks which encompasses portions of the Providence River. During the enforcement periods, as reflected in § 165.173, if you are the operator of a vessel in the regulated area you 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.

C. Prindle,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Sector Southeastern New England.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG–2024–0119]

RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; Reoccurring Firework Displays Near Convention Center on the Mobile River; Mobile, AL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a safety zone for reoccurring firework displays on the Mobile River in the vicinity of the Arthur R. Outlaw Convention Center in Mobile, AL. The safety zone will be enforced only during the firework displays. Establishment of this safety zone is necessary to protect waterway users and vessels from potential hazards associated with these firework displays. This rulemaking will prohibit entry into the safety zone during the firework displays unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Mobile (COTP), or a COTP designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective July 31, 2024.

ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG–2024–0119 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 about this rule, call or email Lieutenant Lawrence J. Schad, Waterways Management, Sector Mobile, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 251–382–8653, email SectorMobileWaterways@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

The Coast Guard receives numerous event applications for firework displays on the Mobile River, to be held in the vicinity of the Arthur R. Outlaw Convention Center in Mobile, AL. These displays are sponsored by multiple organizations and held sporadically throughout the year. Based on previous years, approximately five to ten displays are expected to be held on any given year. The purpose of this rule is to ensure the safety of vessels, participants, and waterways users within a 100-yard radius of the fireworks barge immediately before, during, and after scheduled events. In response, on March 14, 2024, the Coast Guard published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) titled “Safety Zone; Reoccurring Firework Displays Near Convention Center on the Mobile River, Mobile, AL” (89 FR 18583). There we stated why we issued the NPRM and invited comments on our proposed regulatory action related to these fireworks displays. During the comment period that ended April 15, 2024, we received one comment which favored the establishment of the safety zone. The final rule is unchanged from that which we proposed in the NPRM.

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 Sector Mobile Region (COTP) has determined that potential hazards associated with the fireworks to be used in these reoccurring firework displays will be a safety concern for anyone within a 100-yard radius of the barge. The purpose of this rule is to ensure safety of vessels and the navigable waters in the safety zone before, during, and after the scheduled event.

IV. Discussion of Comments, Changes, and the Rule

As noted above, we received one comment on our NPRM published March 14, 2024, that was in favor of the rulemaking. There are no changes in the regulatory text of this rule from the proposed rule in the NPRM.

This rule establishes a reoccurring safety zone covering all navigable waters within a 100-yard radius of barge-based firework displays on the Mobile River. The safety zone will be subject to enforcement for approximately one hour when a barge-based fireworks display is scheduled to occur. No person will be allowed within

100 yards of the fireworks barges immediately before, during, and immediately after firework displays. The duration of the zone is intended to ensure the safety of vessels and these navigable waters before, during, and after the fireworks display. No vessel or person will be permitted to enter the safety zone without obtaining permission from the COTP, or a COTP designated representative.

V. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this rule after considering numerous statutes and Executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on a number of these statutes and Executive orders, and we discuss First Amendment rights of protestors.

A. Regulatory Planning and Review

Executive Orders 12866 and 13563 direct agencies to assess the costs and benefits of available regulatory alternatives and, if regulation is necessary, to select regulatory approaches that maximize net benefits. This rule has not been designated a “significant regulatory action,” under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, as amended by Executive Order 14094 (Modernizing Regulatory Review). Accordingly, this rule has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

This regulatory action determination is based on the size, location, duration, and time of day of the safety zone. Vessel traffic may be able to safely transit around this safety zone which will impact a small, designated area of the Mobile River for less than 1 hour during the evening for the duration of the firework display.

B. Impact on Small Entities

The Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, as amended, requires Federal agencies to consider the potential impact of regulations on small entities during rulemaking. The term “small entities” comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000. The Coast Guard received no comments from the Small Business Administration on this rulemaking. The Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

While some owners or operators of vessels intending to transit the safety zone may be small entities, for the reasons stated in section V.A above, this