DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[DOCKET NO. USCG–2015–0742]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Gallants Channel, Beaufort, NC

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of deviation from drawbridge regulations.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the US 70 (Grayden Paul) Bridge across Gallants Channel, mile 0.1, at Beaufort, NC. This temporary deviation allows the drawbridge to remain in the closed to navigation position to accommodate The Neuse Riverkeeper Foundation Triathlon participants to safely complete their race without interruptions from bridge openings.

DATES: This deviation is effective from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on September 12, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this deviation, [USCG–2015–0742], is available at http://www.regulations.gov. Type the docket number in the “SEARCH” box and click “SEARCH.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email Ms. Kashanda Booker, Bridge Administration Branch Fifth District, Coast Guard; telephone (757) 398–6227, email Kashanda.l.booker@uscg.mil. If you have questions on reviewing the docket, call Cheryl Collins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The event director for the Neuse Riverkeeper Foundation Triathlon, with approval from the North Carolina Department of Transportation, owner of the drawbridge, has requested a temporary deviation from the operating schedule to accommodate the Neuse Riverkeeper Foundation Triathlon.

The US 70 (Grayden Paul) Bridge operating regulations are set out in 33 CFR 117.823. The US 70 (Grayden Paul) Bridge across Gallants Channel, mile 0.1, a double-leaf bascule bridge, in Beaufort, NC has a vertical clearance in the closed position of 13 feet above mean high water.

Under this temporary deviation, the drawbridge will be allowed to remain in the closed-to-navigation position from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2015 while race participants are competing in the Neuse Riverkeeper Foundation Triathlon.

The majority of the vessels that transit the bridge this time of the year are recreational boats. Vessels able to pass under the bridge in the closed position may do so at anytime and are advised to proceed with caution. The bridge will be able to open for emergencies and there is no alternate route for vessels to pass. The Coast Guard will also 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.

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.

Dated: August 21, 2015.

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[DOCKET NO. USCG–2015–0792]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Sacramento River, Freeport, CA

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 Sacramento County highway bridge across Sacramento River, mile 46.0, at Freeport, CA. The drawbridge navigation span provides 29 feet vertical clearance above Mean High Water in the closed-to-navigation position. In accordance with 33 CFR 117.189(b), the draw opens on signal from May 1 through September 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. At all other times, the draw shall open on signal if at least four hours notice is give to the drawtender at the Rio Vista Bridge across the Sacramento River, mile 12.8.

Navigation on the waterway is recreational and commercial.

Single leaf operation of the Sacramento County highway drawbridge will occur from 8 p.m. on August 17, 2015 to 6 a.m. on September 11, 2015. For the purposes of enforcement, actual notice will be used from 8 p.m. on August 17, 2015, until August 27, 2015.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this deviation, [USCG–2015–0792], is available at http://www.regulations.gov. Type the docket number in the “SEARCH” box and click “SEARCH.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this temporary deviation, call or email David H. Sulouff, Chief, Bridge Section, Eleventh Coast Guard District; telephone 510–437–3516, email David.H.Sulouff@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Cheryl Collins, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The County of Sacramento has requested a temporary change to the operation of the Sacramento County highway bridge, a double bascule drawbridge, mile 46.0, over Sacramento River, at Freeport, CA. The drawbridge navigation span provides 29 feet vertical clearance above Mean High Water in the closed-to-navigation position. In accordance with 33 CFR 117.189(b), the draw opens on signal from May 1 through September 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. At all other times, the draw shall open on signal if at least four hours notice is give to the drawtender at the Rio Vista Bridge across the Sacramento River, mile 12.8.

Navigation on the waterway is recreational and commercial.

Vessels able to pass through the bridge in the closed position may do so at anytime and are advised to proceed with caution. The bridge will be able to open for emergencies and there is no alternate route for vessels to pass. The Coast Guard will also inform the users of the waterways through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners.

The bridge to remain in the closed to navigation position. The Coast Guard will also inform the waterway users through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners.
DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Coast Guard
33 CFR Part 165
[Docket No. USCG–2014–0082]
RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zones; Cleveland Dragon Boat Festival and Head of the Cuyahoga, Cuyahoga River, Cleveland, OH

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing regulations for annual, combined marine events that require the establishment of a temporary safety zone within the Captain of the Port Zone Buffalo on the Cuyahoga River, Cleveland, OH. This safety zone regulation is necessary to protect the surrounding public, spectators, participants, and vessels from the hazards associated with the rowing regatta in the narrow waterway of the Cuyahoga River. This rule is intended to restrict vessels annually from a portion of the Cuyahoga River for up to 9 hours during the combined Dragon Boat Festival and the Head of the Cuyahoga Regatta.

DATES: This rule is effective September 28, 2015.

ADDRESS: Documents mentioned in this preamble are part of docket [USCG–2014–0082]. To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to 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 rulemaking. 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.

C. Discussion of Comments, Changes and the Final Rule

We received one comment on the NPRM (79 FR 24656). This comment requested the time of enforcement be changed from 10 hours to 9 hours and to begin at 7 a.m. in lieu of the proposed 6 a.m. and still end at 4 p.m. The comment also stated that this change was for the better facilitation of trade on the Cuyahoga River. Of note, the commenter, Great Lakes Carriers Association noted that they completed a memorandum of agreement with the Cuyahoga River rowing foundation to address this very issue and to formalize the agreement between them to better allow for diverse use of the river without hampering trade and vital to the local economy. The Coast Guard, upon reviewing the comment considers the change to the proposal to be in the best interest of this rule and has amended the final rule to be effective for 9 hours, beginning at 7 a.m. and ending at 4 p.m. as requested.

The enforcement date and times for the safety zone that is listed in 33 CFR 165.T09–0082 is to occur on the 3rd Saturday of September of each year and to begin 7 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. For any given year, the Captain of the Port Sector Buffalo will provide notice to the public by publishing a Notice of Enforcement in the Federal Register, as well as, issuing a Broadcast Notice to Mariners.

Entry into, transiting, or anchoring within the safety zones identified in § 165.T09–0082 will be prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Buffalo or his on-scene representative. The Captain of the Port or his on-scene representative may be contacted via VHF Channel 16.

D. Regulatory Analyses

We developed this rule after considering numerous statutes and executive orders related to rulemaking. Below we summarize our analyses based on these statutes or executive orders.

1. Regulatory Planning and Review

This rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, as supplemented by Executive Order 13563, Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of Executive Order 12866 or under section 1 of Executive Order 13563. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under those Orders.