Also, this rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it does not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes. If you believe this rule has implications for federalism or Indian tribes, please contact the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section above.

E. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of $100,000,000 (adjusted for inflation) or more in any one year. Though this rule will not result in such an expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

F. Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Department of Homeland Security Management Directive 023–01 and Commandant Instruction M16475.1D, which guide the Coast 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 special local regulation lasting for 11 hours on two days on the Black Warrior River between mile marker 338.5 and mile marker 339.5. It is categorically excluded from further review under paragraph 34(h) of Figure 2–1 of the Commandant Instruction. An environmental analysis checklist supporting this determination and a Categorical Exclusion Determination are available in the docket where indicated under ADDRESSES. We seek any comments or information that may lead to the discovery of a significant environmental impact from this rule.

G. Protest Activities

The Coast Guard respects the First Amendment rights of protesters. Protesters are asked to contact 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 100

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

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 100 as follows:

PART 100—SAFETY OF LIFE ON NAVIGABLE WATERS

1. The authority citation for part 100 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1233.

2. Add § 100.35T08–0034 to read as follows:

§ 100.35T08–0034 Special Local Regulation; Black Warrior River; Tuscaloosa, AL.

(a) Regulated area. All navigable waters of the Black Warrior River between mile marker 338.5 and mile marker 339.5, Tuscaloosa, AL.

(b) Period of enforcement. This rule will be enforced from 5 a.m. until 6 p.m. on April 21, 2017 and April 22, 2017.

(c) Special local regulations. (1) Entry into, transit within or through, or exit from this area is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Mobile (COTP) or the designated Patrol Commander. The Coast Guard will patrol the regulated area under the direction of a designated Coast Guard Patrol Commander. The Patrol Commander may be contacted on Channel 16 VHF-FM (156.8 MHz) by the call sign “PATCOM”.

(2) All persons and vessels not registered with the sponsor as participants or official patrol vessels are considered spectators. The “official patrol vessels” consist of any Coast Guard, state, or local law enforcement and sponsor provided vessels assigned or approved by the Captain of the Port (COTP) Mobile to patrol the regulated area.

(3) Spectator vessels desiring to transit the regulated area may do so only with prior approval of the Patrol Commander and when so directed by that officer will be operated at a minimum safe navigation speed in a manner which will not endanger participants in the regulated area or any other vessels.

(4) No spectator vessel shall anchor, block, loiter, or impede the through transit of participants or official patrol vessels in the regulated area during the effective dates and times, unless cleared for entry by or through an official patrol vessel.

(5) The patrol commander may forbid and control the movement of all vessels in the regulated area. When hailed or signaled by an official patrol vessel, a vessel shall come to an immediate stop and comply with the directions given. Failure to do so may result in expulsion from the area, citation for failure to comply, or both.

(6) Any spectator vessel may anchor outside the regulated area, but may not anchor in, block, or loiter in a navigable channel. Spectator vessels may be moored to a waterfront facility within the regulated area in such a way that they shall not interfere with the progress of the event. Such mooring must be complete at least 30 minutes prior to the establishment of the regulated area and remain moored through the duration of the event.

(7) The Patrol Commander may terminate the event or the operation of any vessel at any time it is deemed necessary for the protection of life or property.

(8) The Patrol Commander will terminate enforcement of the special local regulations at the conclusion of the event.

(d) Informational broadcasts. The COTP Mobile or a designated representative will inform the public through broadcast notices to mariners of the enforcement period for the regulated area as well as any changes in the date and times of enforcement.


J.H. Snowden,
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Mobile.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 100

[Docket No. USCG–2017–0037]

Special Local Regulation; Black Warrior River; Tuscaloosa, AL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a special local regulation on the Black Warrior River extending the entire width of the channel from mile marker 339.0 to mile marker 341.5 in Tuscaloosa, AL on March 25, 2017, to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during the Rowing Competition marine event. Our
regulation for Recurring Marine Events in Captain of the Port Mobile Zone identifies the regulated area for this rowing event. During the enforcement period, no vessel may transit this regulated area without approval from the Captain of the Port or a designated representative.

DATES: The regulation in 33 CFR 100.801, Table 7, No. 4, will be enforced on March 25, 2017 from 7 a.m. until noon.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notice of enforcement, call or email LT Fannie L. Wilks, Sector Mobile, Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 251-441-5940, email Fannie.L.Wilks@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Coast Guard will enforce a special local regulation in 33 CFR 100.801, Table 7, number 4, from 7 a.m. until noon on March 25, 2017, for the Rowing Competition in Tuscaloosa, AL. This action is being taken to provide for the safety of life on navigable waterways during the rowing event. Our regulation for Recurring Marine Events in Captain of the Port Mobile Zone, § 100.801, specifies the location of the regulated area for this 2.5-mile-long rowing event. As specified in § 100.801 during the enforcement period, no vessel may transit this regulated area without approval from the Captain of the Port Mobile (COTP) or a COTP designated representative.

This notice of enforcement is issued under authority of 33 CFR 100.801 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this notice of enforcement in the Federal Register, the Coast Guard plans to provide notification of this enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners. We will also provide notification of this enforcement period through the Local Notice to Mariners of the change in operating status at 5 p.m. each day. The bridge will revert to open on demand status at 5 p.m. each day.

The vertical lift bridge must remain in the closed-to-navigation position from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., daily, beginning March 6 through March 10, 2017, with a scheduled two-hour opening each day to facilitate passage of vessel traffic from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the bridge will revert to open on demand status at 5 p.m. each day.

The bridge has a vertical clearance of 8.0 feet above mean high water, elevation 3 feet of the North American Vertical Datum of 1988 (NAVD88), in the closed-to-navigation position and 73 feet above mean high water in the open-to-navigation position. Navigation at the site of the bridge consists mainly of tows with barges and some recreational pleasure craft. The bridge can open in case of emergency. No alternate routes are available. 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.

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.

Dated: February 27, 2017.

Eric A. Washburn,
Bridge Administrator, Eighth Coast Guard District.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[DOCKET NO. USCG–2016–1023]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Annisquam River and Blynman Canal, Gloucester, MA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from drawbridge regulations; modification.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard has modified a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the Blyman (SR127) Bridge across the Annisquam River and Blynman Canal at mile 0.0 at Gloucester, MA. This modified deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed-to-navigation position and is necessary to perform bridge repairs.

DATES: This modified deviation is effective from 7 a.m. on March 13, 2017 through 4 p.m. on March 19, 2017.

ADDRESSES: The docket for this deviation, USCG–2016–1023 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this modified temporary deviation, call or email Mr. Jeffrey Stieb, First Coast Guard District Bridge Branch, Coast Guard, telephone 617–223–8364, email Jeffrey.D.Stieb@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 9, 2016, the Coast Guard published a temporary deviation entitled “Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Annisquam River and Blynman Canal” at 82 FR 21115 (May 11, 2017). This deviation was requested to allow the bridge owner to conduct annual maintenance and semi-annual maintenance on the bridge. The current deviation allows the bridge to remain in the closed-to-navigation position at 5 p.m. each day.

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.

Dated: February 27, 2017.

Jeffrey Stieb,
First Coast Guard District Bridge Branch, Coast Guard, Gloucester, MA.