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B. Collection of Information

This rule will not call for a new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

C. Federalism and Indian Tribal Governments

We have analyzed this rule under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, and have determined that it is consistent with the fundamental federalism principles and preemption requirements described in that Order.

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.

D. Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

As required by The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538), the Coast Guard certifies that this rule will not result in an annual expenditure of \$100,000,000 or more (adjusted for inflation) by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector.

E. Environment

We have analyzed this rule under Department of Homeland Security Directive 023–01, Rev. 1, associated implementing instructions, and Environmental Planning COMDTINST 5090.1 (series), which guide the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), 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 is a safety zone. 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.

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; DHS Delegation No. 00170.1, Revision No. 01.4.

■ 2. Add § 165.T09–1096 to read as follows:

§ 165.T09–1096 Safety Zone; Lake St. Clair, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI.

(a) *Location.* The following area is a safety zone: All navigable waters in Lake St. Clair within a 560-foot radius of the fireworks launch site located at 42°24′30.85″ N, 82°52′60″ W. These coordinates are based on the North American Datum 83 (NAD 83).

(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 and a Federal, State, and local officer designated by or assisting the Captain of the Port Detroit (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) To seek permission to enter, contact the COTP or the COTP's representative on VHF–FM channel 16. Those in the safety zone must comply with all lawful orders or directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

(d) *Enforcement period.* This section will be enforced from 9:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. on September 5, 2026.

Caren C. Damon,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port Detroit.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG–2026–1126]

RIN 1625–AA00

Safety Zone; Bay Bridge Paddle; Chesapeake Bay, Annapolis, MD

AGENCY: Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for navigable waters of the Chesapeake Bay, adjacent to the shoreline at Sandy Point State Park and between and adjacent to the spans of the William P. Lane Jr. Memorial Bridges, near Annapolis, MD. The safety zone is needed to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment from potential hazards associated with a kayak race. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland—National Capital Region (NCR), or their designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on September 13, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To view available documents, go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for USCG–2026–1126.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this rule, contact MST1 Zachary Rudy, Sector Maryland NCR Waterways Management Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 443–257–4011, or email Zachary.S.Rudy@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland—National Capital Region
DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NCR National Capital Region
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
§ Section
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background and Authority

On May 7, 2026, the Coast Guard received notification that a paddle boat race will be taking place in the Chesapeake Bay, from the shoreline at Sandy Point State Park and between and adjacent to the spans of the William P. Lane Jr. Memorial Bridges. The Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland—National

Capital Region (COTP) has determined that potential hazards, such as collisions with transiting vessels, are a safety concern for anyone within the designated race area and is issuing this rule to protect personnel, vessels, and the marine environment in the navigable waters within the safety zone from those hazards. The COTP is issuing this rule under the authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034.

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule without prior notice and comment. As is authorized by 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 it is impracticable. There has been insufficient time to solicit and respond to comments, and publish a final safety zone by September 13, 2026, when it must be in place to serve its intended purpose.

For the same reason, the Coast Guard finds that under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**.

III. Discussion of the Rule

This rule establishes a safety zone on September 13, 2026. The safety zone will cover all navigable waters of the Chesapeake Bay between and adjacent to the spans of the William P. Lane Jr. memorial bridges, from shoreline to shoreline, bounded to the north by a line drawn from the western shoreline at latitude 39°01'05.23" N, longitude 076°23'47.93" W; thence eastward to latitude 39°01'02.08" N, longitude 076°22'40.24" W; thence southeastward to eastern shoreline at latitude 38°59'13.70" N, longitude 076°19'58.40" W; and bounded to the south by a line drawn parallel and 500 yds south of the south bridge span that originates from the western shoreline at latitude 39°00'17.08" N, longitude 076°24'28.36" W; thence southward to latitude 38°59'38.36" N, longitude 076°23'59.67" W; thence eastward to latitude 38°59'26.93" N, longitude 076°23'25.53" W; thence eastward to the eastern shoreline at latitude 38°58'40.32" N, longitude 076°20'10.45" W. The regulated area will be enforced from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. noon on September 13, 2026. Vessels and persons will not be allowed to enter the zone during this time, unless authorized by the Captain of the Port.

IV. 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.

A. Impact on Small Entities

The regulatory flexibility analysis provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, do not apply to rules that are not subject to notice and comment. Because the Coast Guard has, for good cause, waived the notice and comment requirement that would otherwise apply to this rulemaking, the Regulatory Flexibility Act's flexibility analysis provisions do not apply here.

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121), if this rule will affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions, contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

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§ 165.T05–1126 Safety Zone; Bay Bridge Paddle; Chesapeake Bay, Annapolis, MD.

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Those in the safety zone must comply with all lawful orders or directions given to them by the COTP or the COTP's designated representative.

(d) *Enforcement period.* This section will be enforced from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on September 13, 2026.

Dated: August 31, 2026.

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Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port, Sector Maryland-NCR.

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