

Department in which the Coast Guard is operating to establish Area Maritime Security Committees for any port area of the United States. (See 33 U.S.C. 1226; 46 U.S.C. 70112(a)(2); 33 CFR 1.05–1, 6.01; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1.) The MTTSA includes a provision exempting these Area Maritime Security (AMS) Committees from the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. (Pub. L. 92–436).

The South Texas Area Maritime Security (STAMS) Committee assists the Captain of the Port (COTP)/Federal Maritime Security Coordinator (FMSC) in the review and update of the STAMS Plan for the Corpus Christi Area of Responsibility. Such matters may include, but are not limited to: Identifying critical port infrastructure and operations; Identifying risks (threats, vulnerabilities, and consequences); Determining mitigation strategies and implementation methods; Developing and describing the process to continually evaluate overall port security by considering consequences and vulnerabilities, how they may change over time, and what additional mitigation strategies can be applied; and Providing advice to, and assisting the COTP/FMSC in, reviewing and updating the STAMS Plan.

STAMS Committee Membership

Applicants should have at least 5 years of experience related to maritime or port security operations. The STAMS Committee has ten members, made up of at least one individual from the Corpus Christi, Rio Grande Valley, Port of Port Lavaca-Point Comfort and Victoria Barge Canal, Port Security Working Groups (PSWG). The Coast Guard has one vacancy. We are seeking individuals interested in representing the Port of Port Lavaca-Point Comfort PSWG area with this solicitation. Applicants may be required to pass an appropriate security background check prior to appointment to the committee.

The member's term of office will be for 5 years; however, a member is eligible to serve an additional term of office. Members will not receive any salary or other compensation for their service on the STAMS Committee. In support of the Coast Guard's policy on gender and ethnic diversity, we encourage qualified women and members of minority groups to apply.

Request for Applications

Those seeking membership are not required to submit formal applications to the local COTP/FMSC. Nevertheless, because we do have an obligation to ensure that a specific number of

members have the prerequisite maritime security experience, we encourage the submission of resumes highlighting experience in the maritime and security industries.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

[Docket No. USCG–2007–0003]

Temporary Relocation of the Coast Guard National Maritime Center (NMC)

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard National Maritime Center (NMC), which was located in Arlington, VA, has temporarily relocated to Kearneysville, WV, as part of a planned effort to restructure and centralize the Mariner Licensing and Documentation (MLD) Program. This notice provides information regarding both the NMC consolidation and the relocated NMC offices.

DATES: The temporary office in Kearneysville, WV, became operational on October 1, 2007. No further NMC operations are being carried out in Arlington, VA. In December 2007, the NMC will move to its permanent location in Martinsburg, WV.

ADDRESSES: The NMC's temporary address is: Commanding Officer, Coast Guard National Maritime Center, 130 East Burr Blvd., Kearneysville, WV 25430. In December, 2007, the NMC's permanent address will be: Commanding Officer, Coast Guard National Maritime Center, 100 Forbes Drive, Martinsburg, WV 25404.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call Mr. Jeffrey Brandt, National Maritime Center, telephone 304–724–9559.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MLD Program restructuring and centralization plan, approved in 2005, will centralize many of the simultaneous efforts of 17 independently operating Regional Examination Centers (RECs) into one Merchant Mariner Credential (MMC) processing center in Martinsburg, WV. Having one MMC processing center will allow for more consistent procedures,

cost reduction, improved oversight, and improved mariner assistance.

The NMC has been reorganized into five divisions consisting of the Operations and Oversight Division (NMC–1), Mariner Training and Assessment Division (NMC–2), Program Support Division (NMC–3), Mariner Records Division (NMC–4), and Mariner Services Division (NMC–5).

We have temporarily relocated the NMC to Kearneysville, WV. On or about December 10, 2007, the NMC will relocate to its permanent address in Martinsburg, WV.

Dated: October 4, 2007.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Construction of a Residential Community in Lake County, FL

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice: Receipt of application for an incidental take permit; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of an Incidental Take Permit (ITP) Application and Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). Founders Ridge, LLC (applicant) requests an ITP for a duration of 10 years under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The applicant anticipates taking a total of approximately 32.18 acres of Florida scrub-jay (*Alphelocoma coerulescens*)—occupied habitat and approximately 1.85 acres of sand skink (*Neoseps reynoldsi*)—occupied habitat incidental to the construction of a residential development consisting of 963 units and associated amenities, in Lake County, Florida (project). The applicant's HCP describes the mitigation and minimization measures the applicant proposes to address the effects of the project to the Florida scrub-jay and sand skink.

DATES: We must receive any written comments on the ITP application and HCP on or before November 16, 2007.

ADDRESSES: If you wish to review the application and HCP, you may write the Field Supervisor at our Jacksonville Field Office, 6620 Southpoint Drive South, Suite 310, Jacksonville, FL