

to allow for compliance with the special area discharge standards in the Annex, the IMO has not yet established a date for the WCR special area to come into effect.

When the WCR special area enters into effect, the more restrictive discharge standards in 33 CFR 151.71 and Regulation 5 of MARPOL Annex V will also enter into effect. In general, these regulations prohibit the discharge of all garbage from a ship in special areas except food wastes. The discharge of food wastes must be made as far as practicable from land, but in any case not less than 12 nautical miles from the nearest land. However, in the WCR special area food wastes comminuted or ground and capable of passing through a screen with openings no greater than 25 millimeters may be discharged not less than 3 nautical miles from the nearest land.

The Coast Guard will not speculate as to a time line, and there currently is no time line, for the WCR special area coming into effect. In anticipation of the WCR special area entering into effect at some point in the future, the Coast Guard invites the public, commercial interests, local, State, Federal agencies, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs), public interest groups, trade organizations, and all other interested parties to comment on the WCR special area entering into effect.

The Coast Guard is specifically interested in identifying all issues that impact port reception facilities, commercial shipping vessels, and recreational vessels operating in the WCR special area and in obtaining recommendations to address those issues. The Coast Guard seeks input on the following general issues:

- Additional MARPOL Annex V port reception facility capacity needed when the WCR special area goes in to effect;
- The impact on MARPOL Annex V cargo residues within the WCR special area;
- Impacts of MARPOL Annex V waste collection requirements on local/regional waste disposal capacity and infrastructure located within ports in the WCR special area;
- Time needed to ensure compliance with WCR special area discharge standards.

The Coast Guard would also like to receive public input concerning the following questions:

- How many vessels operating in the WCR currently treat it as a special area and adhere to the special area discharge standards?
- What would be the operational impact to vessels discharging MARPOL Annex V garbage, including cargo

residues and cargo hold wash-water containing cargo residue at a port reception facility?

- Is there current capability to accept MARPOL Annex V cargo residues and cargo residue wash-water from vessels, and do cargo vessels currently use this type of reception facility?

- How much additional MARPOL Annex V garbage would need to be offloaded at port reception facilities, and will currently adequate port reception facilities still be adequate when the WCR special area goes into effect?

- What effect, if any, will the discharge restrictions in the WCR special area have on U.S. port and terminal operators holding a Certificate of Adequacy (COA)?

- Will U.S. port and facility operators be able to meet increased quantity and capacity requirements and ensure that port reception facilities can meet the needs of all vessels calling at their ports?

- How many vessels operate solely within the WCR special area?

Written comments and responses to the above questions will be added to the docket number for this notice (USCG-2009-0365). The Coast Guard intends to review and analyze all comments received in order to develop a way forward for the implementation of the discharge standards when the WCR special area comes into effect.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 CFR 151.53(b) and 5 U.S.C. 552.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5308-N-02]

### Notice of Availability: Implementation of the Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP) Changes and Clarifications

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On May 4, 2009, HUD posted on its Web site a notice establishing the submission requirements, eligible uses, fund commitment and expenditure deadlines, fund distribution, and other requirements for the Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP) authorized by section 2, Division A, Title XII of the

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-5, approved February 17, 2009). Through this document, HUD announces that it has posted on its Web site a revised notice that changes and clarifies a number of TCAP program requirements established in the document posted on May 4, 2009. The changes to the notice include the expansion of the definition of eligible TCAP projects to include projects that have received or will receive Gulf Opportunity Zone and Midwestern Disaster Area Housing Credits, as provided for under section 1204 of the 2009 Supplemental Appropriations Act (Pub. L. 111-32, approved June 24, 2009). The revised notice also provides for the use of additional reporting information that has now become available from both the Department and the Office of Management and Budget, and the addition of acquisition, on-site demolition costs, and hazardous material remediation costs to the eligible TCAP program costs. Please see the revised document for all changes made. The revised notice is available on the HUD Web site at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tax-credit.cfm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Clifford Taffet, Director, Office of Affordable Housing, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 7162, Washington, DC 20410-3000; telephone 1-800-998-9999. Hearing- or speech-impaired individuals may access the voice telephone number listed above by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service during working hours at 800-877-8339.

Dated: July 30, 2009.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### 60-Day Notice of Intention To Request Clearance of Collection of Information; Opportunity for Public Comment

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Park Service (NPS) plans to submit a request to OMB to renew approval of the collection of information in 36 CFR part 51, regarding the submission of offers in response to concession opportunities. NPS will be