DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2011–0206]

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Sacramento River, Sacramento, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of temporary deviation from regulations.

SUMMARY: The Commander, Eleventh Coast Guard District, has issued a temporary deviation from the regulation governing the operation of the Tower Drawbridge across the Sacramento River, mile 59.0, at Sacramento, CA. The deviation is necessary to allow the community to participate in the Change of Pace Foundation’s Capitol City Classic Foot Race. This temporary deviation has been coordinated with waterway users. There are no scheduled river boat cruises or anticipated levee maintenance during this deviation period. No objections to the proposed temporary deviation were raised.

Vessels that can transit the bridge, while in the closed-to-navigation position, may continue to do so at any time.

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: April 4, 2011.

D.H. Sulloff,
District Bridge Chief, Eleventh Coast Guard District.

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33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG–2010–1004]

RIN 1625–AA87

Security Zone; Increase of Security Zones Under 33 CFR 165.1183 From 100 to 500 Yards; San Francisco Bay, Delta Ports, Monterey Bay, and Humboldt Bay, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a permanent increase in security zone size from 100 yards (91 meters) to 500 yards (457 meters) for tankers, cruise ships, and High Value Assets (HVAs) while underway on the navigable waters of San Francisco Bay, Delta Ports, Monterey Bay, and Humboldt Bay, CA. Once a tanker, cruise ship, or HVA is on signal if at least four hours notice is given, as required by 33 CFR 117.189(a). Navigation on the waterway is commercial and recreational.

The drawspan will be secured in the closed-to-navigation position from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. on April 17, 2011 to allow the community to participate in the Change of Pace Foundation’s Capitol City Classic Foot Race. This temporary deviation has been coordinated with waterway users. There are no scheduled river boat cruises or anticipated levee maintenance during this deviation period. No objections to the proposed temporary deviation were raised.

Vessels that can transit the bridge, while in the closed-to-navigation position, may continue to do so at any time.

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: April 4, 2011.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The California Department of Transportation has requested a temporary change to the operation of the Tower Drawbridge, mile 59.0, Sacramento River, at Sacramento, CA. The Tower Drawbridge navigation span provides a vertical clearance of 30 feet above Mean High Water in the closed-to-navigation position. The draw opens on signal from May 1 through October 31 from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and from November 1 through April 30 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. At all other times the draw shall open effectively protect HVAs and are only enforceable within the limits of that zone. Persons and vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or anchoring within the temporary security zones unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or their designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective May 16, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket part of docket USCG–2010–1004 and are available by going http://www.regulations.gov, inserting USCG–2010–1004, in the “keyword” box, and clicking “Search.” They are also available for inspection or copying at the Docket Management Facility (M–30), U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590–0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or e-mail Lieutenant Junior Grade Allison A. Natcher, U.S. Coast Guard Sector San Francisco; telephone 415–399–7442 e-mail D11–PF–MarineEvents@uscg.mil.

If you have questions on viewing the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

Supplementary Information:

Regulatory Information

On November 3, 2010, we published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) entitled Security Zone; Increase of Security Zones under 33 CFR 165.1183 from 100 to 500 yards; San Francisco Bay, Delta Ports, Monterey Bay, and Humboldt Bay, CA in the Federal Register [75FR212]. We received 5 comments on the proposed rule. No public meeting was requested, and none was held.

Background and Purpose

Experiences during security zone enforcement operations, observations during boat tactics training, and discussions with Commanding Officers/Officers in Charge and tactical coxswains from Sector San Francisco’s Level I Ports, Waterways & Coastal Security (PWCS) stations, has led Enforcement staff and field units to determine that 100-yard (91 meters) security zones are not adequate enough to protect transiting vessels from sabotage, subversive acts, accidents, criminal actions, or other causes of a similar nature. A 500 yard (457 meters)