

the Republic of Guinea. These restrictions directed such flights to only land at a limited set of United States airports where the United States Government had focused public health resources to implement enhanced public health measures. Arrival restrictions applicable to flights to the United States carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the Republic of Guinea remain in effect.

**DATES:** The arrival restrictions applicable to flights to the United States carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the DRC are terminated as of 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on April 29, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alyce Modesto, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection at 202-286-8995.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On March 4, 2021, the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) announced arrival restrictions applicable to flights carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) or the Republic of Guinea, consistent with 6 U.S.C. 112(a), 19 U.S.C. 1433(c), and 19 CFR 122.32, in a **Federal Register** document titled “Arrival Restrictions Applicable to Flights Carrying Persons Who Have Recently Traveled From or Were Otherwise Present Within the Democratic Republic of the Congo or the Republic of Guinea” (“Arrival Restrictions Notice”) (86 FR 12534).

For the reasons set forth below, the Secretary has decided to terminate the arrival restrictions applicable to flights carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the DRC. These restrictions funnel relevant arriving air passengers to one of six designated airports of entry where the U.S. is implementing enhanced public health measures. Since March 1, 2021, there have been no new confirmed EVD cases reported in the DRC and all contacts of cases that were being monitored for EVD have passed the 21-day incubation period. With no new cases reported in the past 42 days (2 incubation periods), no remaining hospitalized patients with EVD, and no contacts of confirmed EVD cases still requiring monitoring, the potential risk for Ebola virus exposure in the DRC has greatly diminished. Therefore, flight restrictions are no longer required for flights carrying persons who have

recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the DRC. Because the most recent case of EVD in the Republic of Guinea was confirmed on April 3, 2021, the arrival restrictions applicable to flights carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the Republic of Guinea remain in effect.

**Notice of Termination of Arrival Restrictions Applicable to All Flights Carrying Persons Who Have Recently Traveled From or Were Otherwise Present Within the Democratic Republic of the Congo**

Pursuant to 6 U.S.C. 112(a), 19 U.S.C. 1433(c), and 19 CFR 122.32, and effective as of 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on April 29, 2021, for all affected flights arriving at a United States airport, I hereby terminate the arrival restrictions applicable to flights carrying persons who have recently traveled from, or were otherwise present within, the Democratic Republic of the Congo announced in the Arrival Restrictions document published at 86 FR 12534 (March 4, 2021).

**Alejandro Mayorkas**

*Secretary, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

**Coast Guard**

**33 CFR Part 117**

[Docket No. USCG-2021-0181]

**Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Old River, Between Victoria Island and Byron Tract, CA**

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notification of temporary deviation from regulations; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard has issued a temporary deviation from the operating schedule that governs the California Department of Transportation Route 4 highway bridge, across Old River, mile 14.8, between Victoria Island and Byron Tract, California. The amount of vessel traffic transiting the bridge site does not warrant an open on signal requirement for this drawbridge. This deviation will test a change to the drawbridge operation schedule to determine whether a permanent change to the schedule is needed. The Coast Guard is

seeking comments from the public regarding these proposed changes.

**DATES:** This deviation is effective from 6 a.m. on May 10, 2021, through 6 a.m. on August 7, 2021. Your comments and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before August 7, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG-2021-0181 using Federal eRulemaking Portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below for instructions on submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this test deviation, call or email Mr. Carl Hausner, Eleventh Coast Guard District, Bridge Section Chief; telephone (510) 437-3516, email [Carl.T.Hausner@uscg.mil](mailto:Carl.T.Hausner@uscg.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Table of Abbreviations**

CFR Code of Federal Regulations  
DHS Department of Homeland Security  
U.S.C. United States Code

**II. Background and Purpose**

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) Route 4 highway bridge has a vertical clearance of 12.7 feet above mean high water in the closed-to-navigation position, and operates in accordance with 33 CFR 117.183.

Caltrans has requested a permanent change in the operation schedule of the bridge due to the increase in vehicular traffic and a decrease in vessel traffic. Population growth and the cost of housing has increased land traffic traveling from the central valley to the San Francisco Bay Area for work. From 2011 to 2020 the bridge has opened 5.4 times per month from April through September and 2.9 times per month from October through March. Throughout the year, vessels requesting an opening are: recreational vessels, 21.5%; commercial vessels, 14.6%; government vessels conducting research, 60.5%; and law enforcement, 3.3%.

This test deviation will evaluate the impacts to navigation on the waterway. From 6 a.m. on May 10, 2021 through 6 a.m. on August 7, 2021, the drawspan of the bridge will open on signal if at least four hours notification is given to the drawtender at the Rio Vista Bridge across the Sacramento River, mile 12.8. Primary number, 707-374-2134; Secondary number, 209-948-7556. Caltrans will document vessel transits during this deviation and log any

comments the drawtender receives by the waterway users. Caltrans will also document any benefits to land traffic during this period.

By requiring vessel operators to plan in advance for an opening of the drawspan, it is anticipated the expected impacts to navigation during this test deviation will be minimal. Vessels that can transit the bridge, while closed, can continue to do so at any time. The Coast Guard will notify the boating public and all other interested parties by formal letter sent to all marinas within 25 miles of the bridge. There is no alternative route for vessels requiring an opening of the drawspan.

The Coast Guard will also inform the users of the waterway through our Local and Broadcast Notices to Mariners of the change in operating schedule for the bridge so that vessel operators can arrange their transits to minimize any impact caused by the temporary deviation.

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.

### III. Information Requested

We are seeking comments from waterway users to understand the impacts of the contemplated change to the operating schedule of Caltrans Route 4 highway bridge, across Old River, mile 14.8, between Victoria Island and Byron Tract, California.

### IV. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal portal at <https://www.regulations.gov>. In your submission, please include the docket number for this notice of inquiry and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. If your material cannot be submitted using <https://www.regulations.gov>, contact the person in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document for alternate instructions.

We accept anonymous comments. Comments we post to <https://www.regulations.gov> will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and submissions in response to this document, see DHS's eRulemaking System of Records notice (85 FR 14226, March 11, 2020).

Documents mentioned in this temporary deviation as being available in this docket, and all public comments, will be in our online docket at [https://](https://www.regulations.gov)

[www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) and can be viewed by following that website's instructions. We review all comments received, but we may choose not to post off-topic, inappropriate, or duplicate comments that we receive. If you visit the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted or if a final rule is published.

This document is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552 (a).

Dated: April 23, 2021.

**Carl T. Hausner,**

*District Bridge Chief, Eleventh Coast Guard District.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Coast Guard

#### 33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG-2021-0290]

RIN 1625-AA00

#### Safety Zone; Gulf of Mexico, Port Fourchon, LA

**AGENCY:** Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

**ACTION:** Temporary final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for all navigable waters within a one nautical mile radius around a capsized vessel in the Gulf of Mexico, near Port Fourchon, LA. The temporary safety zone is needed to protect life and property during emergency salvage operations surrounding the capsized vessel. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone and movement of vessels within this zone is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port Marine Safety Unit Houma or a designated representative.

**DATES:** This rule is effective without actual notice from May 3, 2021 through June 15, 2021. For the purposes of enforcement, actual notice will be used from April 27, 2021 until May 3, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG-2021-0290 in the "SEARCH" box and click "SEARCH." Click on Open Docket Folder on the line associated with this rule.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this rule, call or email Lieutenant Commander Anthony Romero, Waterways Management, U.S.

Coast Guard; telephone 985-850-6471, email: [Anthony.A.Romero@uscg.mil](mailto:Anthony.A.Romero@uscg.mil).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations  
DHS Department of Homeland Security  
FR Federal Register  
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking  
§ Section  
U.S.C. United States Code

#### II. Background Information and Regulatory History

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment pursuant to authority under section 4(a) of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA) (5 U.S.C. 553(b)). This provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are "impracticable, unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest." Under 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. A safety zone is necessary to facilitate search and rescue and salvage operations surrounding a capsized vessel. Immediate action is needed to respond to the potential safety hazards associated with recovery salvage operations. We must establish this safety zone by April 27, 2021 and lack sufficient time to provide a reasonable comment period and then consider those comments before issuing the rule.

Under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Delaying the effective date of this rule would be against the public interest because immediate action is needed to continue ongoing search and rescue and salvage operations.

#### III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034. The Captain of the Port Marine Safety Unit Houma (COTP) has determined that potential hazards associated with the response operations on April 27, 2021, will be a safety concern for anyone within a one nautical mile radius around the capsized vessel in the South Timbalier Block 22 of the Gulf of Mexico at position 29°00'25.7877" N, 090°11'52.9852" W. This rule is needed to protect life and property on the navigable waters while response operations are ongoing.