information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Matthew Butram, Maritime Administration, at matthew.butram@dot.gov or at 202–366–1976. You may send mail to Matthew Butram, Office of Sealift Support, Room W25–218, Mail Stop 1, Maritime Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: Quarterly Readiness of Strategic Seaport Facilities Reporting.
OMB Control Number: 2133–0548.
Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.

Background: Pursuant to E.O. 12656 and 49 CFR 1.81, the Maritime Administration (MARAD) issues, for emergency planning and preparedness purposes, a Port Readiness Plan (PRP) to each strategic commercial seaport (port) designated by the Commander, Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (SDDC). The PRP identifies specific facilities that DoD may need to support the deployment of Armed Forces of the United States or other emergency needs to promote the national defense. The collection of quarterly information is necessary to validate the ports’ ability to provide PRP-delineated facilities to the DOD within the PRP-delineated timeline.

Respondents: Strategic Commercial Seaports who have been designated by the Commander, SDDC and who have been issued a PRP by MARAD.
Affected Public: Strategic Commercial Seaports.
Total Estimated Number of Respondents: 17.
Frequency of Response: Quarterly.
Estimated Number of Responses: 4.
Estimated Time per Respondent: 1 Hour.
Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 68.
Public Comments Invited: Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.
Summary: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on May 21, 2021.
Dates: Comments must be submitted on or before September 16, 2021.
Addresses: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: Procedures for Determining Vessel Services Categories for Purposes of the Cargo Preference Act.
OMB Control Number: 2133–0540.
Type of Request: Renewal of a Previously Approved Information Collection.
Background: The purpose is to provide information to be used in the designation of service categories of individual vessels for purposes of compliance with the Cargo Preference Act under a Memorandum of Understanding entered into by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Agency for International Development, and the Maritime Administration. MARAD will use the data submitted by vessel operators to create a list of Vessel Self-Designations and determine whether MARAD agrees or disagrees with a vessel owner’s designation of a vessel.
Affected Public: Owners or operators of U.S.-registered vessels and foreign-registered vessels.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Maritime Administration

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED INFORMATION COLLECTION:
PROCEDURES FOR DETERMINING VESSEL SERVICES CATEGORIES FOR PURPOSES OF THE CARGO PREFERENCE ACT

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, Transportation (DOT).
ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Maritime Administration

COASTWISE ENDORSEMENT ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION FOR A FOREIGN-BUILT VESSEL: DEEP SIX (MOTOR); INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation, as represented by the Maritime Administration (MARAD), is authorized to issue coastwise endorsement eligibility determinations for foreign-built vessels which will carry
no more than twelve passengers for hire. A request for such a determination has been received by MARAD. By this notice, MARAD seeks comments from interested parties as to any effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. Information about the requestor’s vessel, including a brief description of the proposed service, is listed below.

DATES: Submit comments on or before September 16, 2021.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket Number MARAD–2021–0031 by any one of the following methods:

- Mail or Hand Delivery: Docket Management Facility is in the West Building, Ground Floor of the U.S. Department of Transportation. The Docket Management Facility location address is: U.S. Department of Transportation, MARAD—2021–0031, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on Federal holidays.

Note: If you mail or hand-deliver your comments, we recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a telephone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and specific docket number. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, or to submit comments that are confidential in nature, see the section entitled Public Participation.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As described in the application, the intended service of the vessel DEEP SIX is:

—Geographic Region Including Base of Operations: “California.” (Base of Operations: Oxnard, CA)
—Vessel Length and Type: 28’ Motor

The complete application is available for review identified in the DOT docket as MARAD 2021–0031 at http://www.regulations.gov. Interested parties may comment on the effect this action may have on U.S. vessel builders or businesses in the U.S. that use U.S.-flag vessels. If MARAD determines, in accordance with 46 U.S.C. 12121 and MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388, that the employment of the vessel in the coastwise trade to carry no more than 12 passengers will have an unduly adverse effect on a U.S.-vessel builder or a business that uses U.S.-flag vessels in that business, MARAD will not issue an approval of the vessel’s coastwise endorsement eligibility. Comments should refer to the vessel name, state the commenter’s interest in the application, and address the eligibility criteria given in section 388.4 of MARAD’s regulations at 46 CFR part 388.

Public Participation

How do I submit comments?

Please submit your comments, including the attachments, following the instructions provided under the above heading entitled ADDRESSES. Be advised that it may take a few hours or even days for your comment to be reflected on the docket. In addition, your comments must be written in English. We encourage you to provide concise comments and you may attach additional documents as necessary. There is no limit on the length of the attachments.

Where do I go to read public comments, and find supporting information?

Go to the docket online at http://www.regulations.gov, keyword search MARAD–2021–0031 or visit the Docket Management Facility (see ADDRESSES for hours of operation). We recommend that you periodically check the Docket for new submissions and supporting material.

Will my comments be made available to the public?

Yes. Be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, will be made publicly available.

May I submit comments confidentially?

If you wish to submit comments under a claim of confidentiality, you should submit the information you claim to be confidential commercial information by email to SmallVessels@dot.gov. Include in the email subject heading “Contains Confidential Commercial Information” or “Contains CCI” and state in your submission, with specificity, the basis for any such confidential claim highlighting or denoting the CCI portions. If possible, please provide a summary of your submission that can be made available to the public.

In the event MARAD receives a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for the information, procedures described in the Department’s FOIA regulation at 49 CFR 7.29 will be followed. Only information that is ultimately determined to be confidential under those procedures will be exempt from disclosure under FOIA.

Privacy Act

In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, to www.regulations.gov, as described in the system of records notice, DOT/ALL–14 FDMS, accessible through www.dot.gov/privacy. To facilitate comment tracking and response, we encourage commenters to provide their name, or the name of their organization; however, submission of names is completely optional. Whether or not commenters identify themselves, all timely comments will be fully considered.


* * * * * By Order of the Acting Maritime Administrator.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr., Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

[Docket No. MARAD–2021–0190]

Coastwise Endorsement Eligibility Determination for a Foreign-Built Vessel: STORYTELLER (Sail); Invitation for Public Comments

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

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