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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Maritime Administration

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy Advisory Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: Maritime Administration, DOT

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation, Maritime Administration (MARAD) announces a meeting of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) Advisory Council (Council). During the meeting, the USMMA leadership will provide an update on programs and priorities, including: governance, sexual assault and sexual harassment, academics, culture and diversity, and facilities and infrastructure.

DATES: March 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. EST.

Requests to submit written materials to be reviewed during the meeting must be received no later than February 23, 2024. Requests for accommodations for a disability must be received by February 29, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held through a virtual forum. Virtual meeting access information will be available on the USMMA Advisory Council web page and social media channels no later than March 1, 2024. General information about the Council is available on the MARAD web page at www.maritime.dot.gov/outreach/united-states-merchant-marine-academy-advisory-council.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Council's Designated Federal Officer and Point of Contact, Mary Grice, 202-366-4264 or via email to USMMAAdvisoryCouncil@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Council is established pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 51323. The Council operates in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. app. 2.

The objective and scope of the Council is to provide independent advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) on matters relating to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) including

in the areas of curriculum development and training programs; diversity, equity, and inclusion; sexual assault prevention and response; infrastructure maintenance and redevelopment; midshipmen health and welfare; governance and administrative policies; and other matters.

II. Agenda

The agenda will be as follows:

1. Welcome and opening remarks
2. Updates by Academy leadership on priority programs
3. Public comment
4. Administrative items

III. Public Participation

This meeting is open to the public and will be held through a virtual forum. The U.S. Department of Transportation is committed to providing equal access to this meeting for all participants. If you need alternative formats or services because of a disability, such as sign language, interpretation, or other ancillary aids, please contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

Any member of the public is permitted to file a written statement with the Council. Written statements should be sent to the Designated Federal Officer listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section no later than February 23, 2024.

Only written statements will be considered by the Council; no member of the public will be allowed to present questions or speak during the meeting unless requested to do so by a member of the Council.

(Authority: 46 U.S.C. 51323; 5 U.S.C. 552b; 5 U.S.C. App. 2; 41 CFR parts 102-3.140 through 102-3.165)

By Order of the Maritime Administrator.

T. Mitchell Hudson, Jr.,

Secretary, Maritime Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[DOCKET No.: DOT-OST-2024-0011]

Guidance for the Acceptance and Use of Geomatic Information Obtained From a Non-Federal Entity

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Transportation, Department of Transportation.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) is issuing guidance for the acceptance and use of geomatic information obtained from a non-Federal entity. The Infrastructure

Investment and Jobs Act, H.R. 3684, Title I Federal-Aid Highways, Subtitle C, directs the Secretary to develop guidance for the acceptance and use of geomatic information obtained from a non-federal entity. DOT's Geospatial Management Office (GMO) recognizes the need for a geomatic information standard to meet this requirement.

DATES: Comments are due by March 18, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by DOT-OST-2024-0011, by any of the following methods:

- Follow the instructions for sending comments on the <https://www.regulations.gov/>. Include DOT-OST-2024-0011 in the subject line of the message.

• *Mail:* Docket Management Facility; U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

• *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Room W12-140 on the ground level of DOT, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this notice. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov/>, including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to www.regulations.gov at any time or to Room W12-140 on the ground level of DOT, West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. If you wish to receive confirmation of receipt of your written comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped postcard with the following statement: "Comments on DOT-OST-2024-0011." The Docket Clerk will date stamp the postcard prior to returning it to you via the U.S. mail. Please note that due to possible delays in the delivery of U.S. mail to federal offices in Washington, DC, we recommend that persons consider an alternative method (internet, or professional delivery service) of submitting comments to the docket and ensuring their timely receipt at DOT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Nelson, Chief Geospatial Information Officer, OST, Department of Transportation at 202-366-9201 or by email at .