

from the fore and aft centerline of the ship in the athwartship direction. The Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty) has also certified that the lights involved are located in closest possible compliance with the applicable 72 COLREGS requirements.

Moreover, it has been determined, in accordance with 32 CFR Parts 296 and 701, that publication of this amendment for public comment prior to adoption is impracticable, unnecessary, and contrary to public interest since it is based on technical findings that the placement of lights on this vessel in a manner differently from that prescribed herein will adversely affect the vessel's ability to perform its military functions.

List of Subjects in 32 CFR Part 706

Marine safety, Navigation (water), and Vessels.

PART 706—[AMENDED]

Accordingly, 32 CFR Part 706 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 32 CFR Part 706 continues to read:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1605.

2. Table Four, Paragraph 15 of § 706.2 is amended by adding the following entry:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605—[Amended]

Vessel	No.	Horizontal distance from the fore and aft centerline of the vessel in the athwartship direction
USS THE SULLIVANS.	DDG 68	1.87 meters.

3. Table Four, Paragraph 16 of § 706.2 is amended by adding the following entry:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605—[Amended]

Vessel	No.	Obstruction angle relative ship's headings
USS THE SULLIVANS.	DDG 68	103.06 thru 112.50°.

4. Table Five of § 706.2 is amended by adding the following entry:

§ 706.2 Certifications of the Secretary of the Navy under Executive Order 11964 and 33 U.S.C. 1605—[Amended]

Vessel	No.	Masthead lights not over all other lights and obstructions. annex I, sec. 2(f)	Forward masthead light not in forward quarter of ship. annex I, sec. 3(a)	After masthead light less than 1/2 ship's length aft of forward masthead light. annex I, sec. 3(a)	Percentage horizontal separation attained
USS THE SULLIVANS	DDG 68	X	X	X	20.5

TABLE FIVE

Dated: March 20, 1996.

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Capt., JAGC, U.S. Navy, Deputy Assistant Judge Advocate General (Admiralty).

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

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RIN 2115-AE47

Drawbridge Operations; Eltham Drawbridge, Pamunkey River, West Point, VA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: At the request of the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District

is suspending existing regulations for operation of the Eltham drawbridge on SR 33/30 across the Pamunkey River, mile 1.0, at West Point, Virginia and issuing this temporary final rule. This temporary final rule allows restricted drawbridge openings for all vessels seven days a week throughout the month of May. This is intended to help reduce motor vehicle traffic delays and congestion on the roads and highways linked by this drawbridge while the George P. Coleman Memorial Bridge is closed to motor vehicle traffic while still providing for the reasonable needs of navigation.

DATES: This temporary final rule is effective from May 1, 1996 through May 31, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ann B. Deaton, Bridge Administrator, Fifth Coast Guard District, at (804) 398-6222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulatory Information

A notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) was not issued for this temporary final rule. This temporary final rule was requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation in order to minimize traffic delays during replacement of the Coleman Bridge. The Coast Guard believes that this temporary final rule will impose only a minimal burden of limited duration on navigation while reducing traffic delays. For these reasons, the Coast Guard for good cause finds, under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(3), that notice and public procedure on the notice prior to the effective date of this temporary final rule would be contrary to the public interest and are therefore not necessary.

Background and Purpose

Currently, 33 CFR 117.1023 provides that the Eltham Bridge shall open on signal, except that, on Monday through Friday, it will open for recreational vessels and commercial fishing vessels

only on the hour, and that it need not open for those vessels from 7 to 9 a.m., 12 noon to 1 p.m., and from 4 to 6 p.m. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has requested that the schedule be temporarily amended to reduce the periods during which the Eltham Bridge must open on signal. VDOT's request is based on the major rehabilitation project and replacement of the superstructure of the George P. Coleman Bridge (located downriver from the Eltham Bridge) across the York River at Yorktown, Virginia. The Coleman Bridge will be closed to highway traffic during the replacement of the twin main truss spans during the month of May 1996. Highway traffic currently crossing the Coleman Bridge will be detoured onto Route 33/30 to utilize the Eltham Bridge, causing a considerable increase in highway traffic. Scheduled openings of the bridge may result in significant traffic delays.

Discussion of Temporary Final Rule

Based on the above information, Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District is suspending current 33 CFR 117.1023 and issuing this temporary final rule, to be effective from May 1, 1996 through May 31, 1996. This temporary final rule will allow the Eltham drawbridge to remain closed to all vessel traffic from 4 a.m. to 8 p.m., except that it shall open at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. for vessels waiting to pass. Public vessels and vessels in an emergency involving danger to life or property shall be passed at any time. The bridge will continue to open on signal at all other times. The Coast Guard believes that this temporary final rule will reduce motor vehicle traffic delays and congestion on the roads and highways linked by this drawbridge during the period of shutdown of the George P. Coleman Memorial Bridge while still providing for the reasonable needs of navigation.

Regulatory Evaluation

This temporary final rule is not a significant regulatory action under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that order. It has not been reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under that order. It is not significant under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Transportation (DOT) (44 FR 11040; February 26, 1979). The Coast Guard expects the economic impact of this temporary final rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under paragraph 10e of the

regulatory policies and procedures of DOT is unnecessary. This is a temporary final rule of only local applicability and limited duration, and it will not significantly disrupt maritime traffic.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*), the Coast Guard must consider whether this temporary final rule will have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. "Small entities" may include (1) small businesses and not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields and (2) governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

This is a temporary final rule of only local applicability and limited duration, and it will not significantly disrupt maritime traffic. Because it expects the impact of this temporary final rule to be minimal, the Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this temporary final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Collection of Information

This temporary final rule contains no collection-of-information requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Federalism

The Coast Guard has analyzed this temporary final rule under the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612 and has determined that this temporary final rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

Environment

The Coast Guard considered the environmental impact of this temporary final rule and concluded that, under paragraph 2.B.2 of Commandant Instruction M16475.1B, this temporary final rule is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation. A "Categorical Exclusion Determination" is available in the docket for inspection or copying where indicated under **ADDRESSES**.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 117

Bridges.

For the reasons set out in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR part 117 as follows:

PART 117—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 117 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 499; 49 CFR 1.46; 33 CFR 1.05–1(g); section 117.255 also issued under the authority of Pub. L. 102–587, 106 Stat. 5039.

§ 117.1023 [Suspended]

2. Section 117.1023 is suspended.

3. A new temporary section, § 117.T1024 is added to read as follows:

§ 117.T1024 Pamunkey River.

The draw of the Eltham Bridge (SR 33/30), mile 1.0, located in West Point, Virginia, shall open on signal, except:

(a) From 4 a.m. to 8 p.m., the drawbridge need not open for the passage of commercial or recreational vessels, except that it shall open at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. if one or more vessels are waiting to pass.

(b) Public vessels or vessels in an emergency involving danger to life or property shall be passed at any time.

Dated: March 14, 1996.

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Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Fifth Coast Guard District, Acting.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

36 CFR Part 1253

RIN 3095–AA64

Suitland Research Room Closure

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: Effective May 6, 1996, the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) will close the Suitland Research Room at the Washington National Records Center and establish an appointment system for using archival records remaining in the Washington National Records Center. NARA will also establish new public use hours for records center holdings at the Washington National Records Center. Use of the research room has been declining as the archival records are moved from the Washington National Records Center to archival facilities in Washington, DC, and College Park, MD. After May 1, researcher use of the remaining archival records is expected to be no more than three visits per week.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 6, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Fawcett, Director, User Services Division, at (301) 713–6770.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Beginning May 6, 1996, researchers will be