

(i) *Location*. All waters of the Willamette River bounded by the Hawthorne Bridge to the north, Marquam Bridge to the south, and shoreline to the east and west.

(ii) *Expected date*. One day in late August.

(8) *Fort Vancouver Celebrate America Fireworks Display, Vancouver, WA*.

(i) *Location*. All waters of the Columbia River bounded by 1000 feet of water to the north, shoreline to the south, Interstate Five Bridge to the west and 1000 feet of water to the east of the fireworks launching barge which is centered at 45–36.500' N, 122–40.220' W.

(ii) *Expected date*. One day in late October.

(b) *Regulations*. In accordance with the general regulations in § 165.23 of this part, no person or vessel may enter or remain in this zone unless authorized by the Captain of the Port or his designated representatives.

Dated: March 13, 2003.

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Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain of the Port.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

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[COTP Prince William Sound 02–011]

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Security Zone; Port Valdez and Valdez Narrows, Valdez, AK

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this supplemental notice of proposed rulemaking (SNPRM) is to amend the Collection of Information (COI) section of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) preamble for “Security Zone; Port Valdez and Valdez Narrows, Valdez, AK” (NPRM), 67 FR 65074 (Oct. 23, 2002). The original notice proposed new COI requirements that must be included. The original NPRM is reprinted in its entirety for the convenience of the public. The Coast Guard proposes establishing a security zone encompassing the Trans-Alaska Pipeline (TAPS) Valdez Terminal Complex, Valdez, Alaska and TAPS Tank Vessels and a security zone in the Valdez Narrows, Port Valdez, Alaska.

The security zones are necessary to protect the Alyeska Marine Terminal and Vessels from damage or injury from sabotage, destruction or other subversive acts. Entry of vessels into these security zones is prohibited unless specifically authorized by the Captain of the Port, Prince William Sound, Alaska.

DATES: Comments on the COI section of this SNPRM and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before May 27, 2003.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments and related material to U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, P.O. Box 486, Valdez, Alaska 99686. Marine Safety Office Valdez, AK, maintains the public docket for this rulemaking. Comments and material received from the public, as well as documents indicated in this preamble as being available in the docket, will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at Marine Safety Office Valdez, AK between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lt. Chris Beadle, U.S. Coast Guard Marine Safety Office Valdez, Alaska, at (907) 835–7222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and material related to the new COI section only. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (COTP Prince William Sound 02–011), indicate that you would like to comment on the new COI section, and give the reason for each comment. Please submit all comments and related material in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying. If you would like to know that your submission reached us, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period. We may change this proposed rule in view of them. During the comment period for the NPRM which expired on December 23, 2002 we received no comments. Comments for this SNPRM should address the revised COI section addressed by this SNPRM.

Public Meeting

We do not now plan to hold a public meeting. But you may submit a request for a meeting by writing to Marine Safety Office Valdez at the address under **ADDRESSES** explaining why one would be beneficial. If we determine

that one would aid this rulemaking, we will hold one at a time and place announced by a separate notice in the **Federal Register**.

Background and Purpose

This rulemaking amends the COI section of the NPRM preamble for “Security Zone; Port Valdez and Valdez Narrows, Valdez, AK” (NPRM), 67 FR 65074 (Oct. 23, 2002). The comment period for 67 FR 65074 (Oct. 23, 2002) has run and the original NPRM is reprinted in its entirety for the convenience of the public and is identical to that in the original NPRM. The preamble is also identical to that found in 67 FR 65074 (Oct. 23, 2002) with the exception of the new COI Section. Accordingly, comment on this SNPRM will be limited to the supplemental information contained in the COI section of the preamble. The Coast Guard is taking this action for the immediate protection of the national security interests in light of terrorist acts perpetrated on September 11, 2001. The port of Valdez is a vital national commercial port, supporting the transfer and transport of a significant percentage of oil used in the United States. As such, it is crucial that actions be taken to protect the flow of commerce from possible terrorist or subversive acts designed to damage maritime facilities and vessels transiting to and from the Port of Valdez. The proposed rule would replace existing regulations in 33 CFR 165.1701 and the temporary rule issued in July, which will expire December 31, 2002, that created temporary § 165.T17–010, entitled “Port Valdez and Valdez Narrows, Valdez, Alaska.” The proposed rule would work to safely control the flow of commercial traffic and protect vital maritime facilities by creating security zones and check-in procedures designed to identify threats for response by appropriate law enforcement resources.

On November 7, 2001, we published three temporary final rules in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 56208, 56210, 56212) that created security zones effective through June 1, 2002. The section numbers and titles for these security zone regulations are—

§ 165.T17–003—Security zone; Trans-Alaska Pipeline Valdez Terminal Complex, Valdez, Alaska,

§ 165.T17–004—Security zone; Port Valdez, and

§ 165.T17–005—Security zones; Captain of the Port Zone, Prince William Sound, Alaska.

On June 4, 2002, we published a temporary final rule (67 FR 38389) that established security zones to replace those security zones that expired June 1,