Regulatory Evaluation

This rule is not a significant 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 been exempted from review 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 regulation to be so minimal that a full regulatory evaluation under paragraph 10e of the regulatory policies and procedures of DOT is unnecessary. The safety zone established by the proposed regulation will encompass less than a half of one square nautical mile on Elliott Bay adjacent to Myrtle Edwards Park. Entry into the safety zone will be restricted for less than three hours on the day of the event. These restrictions will have little effect on maritime commerce in the area.

Small Entities

The impact on small entities is expected to be minimal. Therefore, the Coast Guard certifies under 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this regulation will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

Collection of Information

This 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 action in accordance with the principles and criteria contained in Executive Order 12612 and has determined that this 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 rule and concluded that, under paragraph 2.B.2 of Commandant Instruction M16475.1B (as revised by 59 FR 38654; July 29, 1994), this rule is categorically excluded from further environmental documentation. Appropriate environmental analysis of the Ivar's Fourth of July Fireworks Display will be conducted in conjunction with the marine event permitting process each year. Any environmental documentation required under the National Environmental Policy Act will be completed prior to the issuance of a marine event permit for this event.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 165

Harbors, Marine safety, Navigation (water), Reporting and record keeping requirements, Security measures, Waterways.

Final Regulations

For the reasons set out in the preamble, the Coast Guard amends 33 CFR 165 as follows:

PART 165—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 165 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 1231; 50 U.S.C. 191; 33 CFR 1.05–1(g), 6.04–1, 6.04–6, and 160.5; 49 CFR 1.46.

2. A new section 165.1307 is added to read as follows:

§165.1307 Elliott Bay, Seattle, WA.

(a) Location. The following area is a safety zone: All portions of Elliott Bay bounded by the following coordinates: Latitude 47°37′ 22″ N, Longitude 122° 22' 06" W; thence to Latitude 47° 37' 06" N, Longitude 122° 21′ 55" W; thence to Latitude 47° 36′ 54" N, Longitude 122° 22′ 05" W; thence to Latitude 47° 36' 09" N, Longitude 122° 22' 25" W; thence returning to the origin. This safety zone resembles a square centered around the barge from which the fireworks will be launched and begins 100 yards from the shoreline of Myrtle Edwards Park. Floating markers will be placed by the sponsor of the fireworks display to delineate the boundaries of the safety zone. [Datum: NAD 1983]

(b) Effective dates. This section is effective annually on July fourth from 9:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. unless otherwise specified by Federal Register notice.

(c) *Regulation*. In accordance with the general regulations in § 165.23 of this part, entry into this safety zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port, puget sound, Seattle. WA.

Dated: November 13, 1995.

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

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33 CFR Part 165

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Safety Zone Regulations; Lake Union, Seattle, WA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

summary: The Coast Guard is adopting a permanent safety zone for the annual Fourth of July Fireworks Display on Lake Union, Seattle, Washington. This event is held each year on the Fourth of July on the waters of Lake Union. In the past, the Coast Guard has established a temporary safety zone each year to protect the safety of life on the navigable waters during this event. However, because the event recurs annually, the Coast Guard is adopting a permanent rule to better inform the boating public. EFFECTIVE DATE: January 2, 1996.

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Regulatory History

On April 10, 1995, the Coast Guard published a notice of proposed rulemaking (entitled Safety Zone Regulations; Lake Union, Seattle, WA) in the Federal Register (60 FR 18065). The Coast Guard received no letters commenting on the proposal. No public hearing was requested, and none was held.

Background and Purpose

The Coast Guard is adopting permanent safety zone regulations for the annual Fourth of July Fireworks Display on Lake Union, Seattle, Washington, This event is held on the waters of Lake Union each year from 9:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on July fourth and is sponsored by One Reel, Incorporated. The Coast Guard, (by adopting a permanent safety zone through this action), intends to promote the safety of spectators and participants in this event. Each year, as part of this event, a fireworks display is conducted from a barge located on the waters of Lake Union, Seattle, Washington. To promote the safety of both the spectators and participants and to keep spectators away from the fireworks barge during the fireworks display, this rule establishes a safety zone around the fireworks barge and prohibits entry into the area that