



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG-2011-0228]

Safety Zone; Brandon Road Lock and Dam to Lake Michigan including Des Plaines River, Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, Chicago River, and Calumet-Saganashkee Channel, Chicago, IL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce a segment of the Safety Zone; Brandon Road Lock and Dam to Lake Michigan including Des Plaines River, Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, Chicago River, Calumet-Saganashkee Channel on all waters of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal from Mile Marker 296.1 to Mile Marker 296.7 at specified times on July 15 through July 19, 2013. This action is necessary to protect the waterways, waterway users, and vessels from hazards associated with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) dispersal barriers performance testing.

During the enforcement periods listed below, entry into, transiting, mooring, laying-up or anchoring within the enforced area of this safety zone by any person or vessel is

prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port, Lake Michigan, or his designated representative.

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.930 will be enforced at the times specified in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call or e-mail MST1 Joseph McCollum, Prevention Department, Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan, telephone 414-747-7148, e-mail address joseph.p.mccollum@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Coast Guard will enforce a segment of the Safety Zone; Brandon Road Lock and Dam to Lake Michigan including Des Plaines River, Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal, Chicago River, Calumet-Saganashkee Channel, Chicago, IL, listed in 33 CFR 165.930 for the USACE performance testing at the dispersal barriers. The Coast Guard will enforce this safety zone between Mile Marker 296.1 to Mile Marker 296.7 on all waters of the Chicago Sanitary and Ship Canal according to the following schedule:

(1) Dispersal Barrier performance testing schedule.

July 15, 2013, from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.;

July 16, 2013, from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.;

July 17, 2013, from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.;

July 18, 2013, from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m.;

July 19, 2013, from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m.

This enforcement action is necessary because the Captain of the Port, Lake Michigan has determined that the USACE Dispersal Barriers performance testing poses risks to life and property. Because of these risks, it is necessary to control vessel movement during the testing to prevent injury and property loss.

In accordance with the general regulations in § 165.23 of this part, entry into, transiting, mooring, laying up or anchoring within the enforced area of this safety zone by any person or vessel is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port, Lake Michigan, or his designated representative. The Captain of the Port, Lake Michigan, or his designated representative may be contacted via the U.S. Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan Command Center at 414-747-7182 or on VHF channel 16.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 CFR 165.930 and 5 U.S.C. 552(a). In addition to this notice in the Federal Register, the Captain of the Port, Lake Michigan, will also provide notice through other means, which may include Broadcast Notice to Mariners, Local Notice to Mariners, local news media, distribution in leaflet form, and on-scene oral notice.

Additionally, the Captain of the Port, Lake Michigan, may notify representatives from the maritime industry through telephonic and email notifications.

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

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