

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9N, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 15, 2005, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6007 Offshore Airspace Areas.
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Control 1485L [New]

That airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet MSL within the area bounded by a line beginning at a point 12 miles offshore at lat. 68°00'00" N.; to lat. 68°00'00" N., long. 168°58'23" W.; to lat. 72°00'00" N., long. 158°00'00" W.; to lat. 72°00'00" N., long. 144°00'11" W.; to lat. 75°00'00" N., long. 141°00'00" W.; to a point 12 miles offshore at long. 141°00'00" W.; thence westward by a line 12 miles from and parallel to the shoreline to the point of beginning.

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Paragraph 2003 Offshore Airspace Areas.
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Control 1485H [Revised]

That airspace extending upward from 18,000 feet to FL 600 within the area bounded by a line beginning at a point 12 miles offshore at lat. 68°00'00" N.; to lat. 68°00'00" N., long. 168°58'23" W.; to lat. 72°00'00" N., long. 158°00'00" W.; to lat. 72°00'00" N., long. 144°00'11" W.; to lat. 75°00'00" N., long. 141°00'00" W.; to a point 12 miles offshore at long. 141°00'00" W.; thence westward by a line 12 miles from and parallel to the shoreline to the point of beginning.

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Ellen Crum,

Acting Manager, Airspace and Rules.

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ACTION: Cancellation of notice of public hearing on proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This document cancels a public hearing on proposed regulations relating to the disregard of affiliate-owned stock in determining the percentage of stock of a foreign corporation held by former shareholders or partners of a domestic entity, in order to determine whether the foreign corporation is a surrogate foreign corporation under section 7874 of the Internal Revenue Code.

DATES: The public hearing originally scheduled for April 27, 2006, at 10 a.m., is cancelled.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robin R. Jones of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Legal Processing Division, Associate Chief Counsel (Procedure and Administration) at (202) 622–7180 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing that appeared in the **Federal Register** on December 28, 2005 (70 FR 76732) announced that a public hearing was scheduled for April 27, 2006, at 10 a.m., in the IRS Auditorium, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The subject of the public hearing is under section 7874 of the Internal Revenue Code. The public comment period for these regulations expired on April 6, 2006.

The notice of proposed rulemaking and notice of public hearing instructed those interested in testifying at the public hearing to submit a request to speak and an outline of the topics to be addressed. As of Friday, April 14, 2006, no one has requested to speak. Therefore, the public hearing scheduled for April 27, 2006, is cancelled.

Guy R. Traynor,

Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Legal Processing Division, Associate Chief Counsel, (Procedure and Administration).

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ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes to change the drawbridge operation regulation governing the operation of the Southport (SR27) Bridge, across Townsend Gut, at mile 0.7, between Boothbay Harbor and Southport, Maine. This proposed rule would change the regulation to require the Southport (SR27) Bridge to operate on a fixed opening schedule between April 29 and September 30, each year. This rule is expected to help relieve vehicular traffic delays during the summertime tourism season while continuing to meet both the current and anticipated needs of navigation.

DATES: Comments and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before May 22, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments and related material to Commander (dpb), First Coast Guard District Bridge Branch, One South Street, Battery Park Building, New York, New York, 10004, or deliver them to the same address between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is (212) 668–7165. The First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, 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 the First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John McDonald, Project Officer, First Coast Guard District, (617) 223–8364.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

We encourage you to participate in this rulemaking by submitting comments and related material. If you do so, please include your name and address, identify the docket number for this rulemaking (CGD01–06–019), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, 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 if they 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.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

[REG–143244–05]

RIN 1545–BE93

Guidance Under Section 7874 for Determining Ownership by Former Shareholders or Partners of Domestic Entities; Hearing Cancellation

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[CGD01–06–019]

RIN 1625–AA09

Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Townsend Gut, Booth Bay and Southport, ME

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

Public Meeting

We do not now plan to hold a public meeting; however, you may submit a request for a meeting by writing to the First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, 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 later notice in the **Federal Register**.

Background and Purpose

The Southport (SR27) Bridge, across Townsend Gut, at mile 0.7, has a vertical clearance of 10 feet at mean high water, and 19 feet at mean low water in the closed position. The existing drawbridge operation regulations, listed at 33 CFR 117.5, requires the bridge to open on signal at all times.

The owner of the bridge, Maine Department of Transportation (MDOT), requested a change to the drawbridge operation regulations governing the operation of the Southport (SR27) Bridge to require it to open on signal, on the hour, between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., from April 29 through September 30, each year. The purpose of the proposed change to the regulation is to help reduce vehicular traffic delays during the summer tourism season when vehicular traffic is greatly increased.

Frequent bridge openings during the summer months result in vehicular traffic delays during the daytime hours when traffic between Boothbay Harbor and Southport is at its heaviest. The Southport (SR27) Bridge opened 4,136 times in 2004. Specifically, 3,493 (84%) of the 2004 bridge openings were between May and September.

The Town of Southport Selectmen recently conducted a public meeting to survey public opinion regarding the proposed regulation change reflected in this notice of proposed rulemaking.

The local residents, mariners, and commercial vessel operators who attended the meeting were strongly in favor of permanently changing the regulation governing the operation of the Southport (SR27) Bridge to require the bridge to open on signal, once an hour, on the hour, between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., from April 29 through September 30, each year. All the remaining provisions of the existing regulation would remain unchanged.

Discussion of Proposed Rule

This proposed rule change would require the Southport (SR27) Bridge to open on signal, on the hour, between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., from April 29 through September 30. This proposed change is

expected to help improve traffic congestion in Boothbay Harbor and Southport during the peak tourist season while still providing for the current and anticipated needs of navigation.

During the summer of 2005, the Coast Guard temporarily changed the operating schedule for the Southport (SR27) Bridge to help facilitate bridge sandblasting and painting operations. Under the temporary regulation (70 FR 12805), published on March 16, 2005, the Southport (SR27) Bridge opened every two hours between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. from May through September. This temporary rule was in effect through November 30, 2005.

Vehicular traffic delays were greatly reduced during the time period the temporary regulation was in effect, which was an added benefit, since the main purpose of the temporary rule was to facilitate bridge painting.

In addition to the openings every two hours under the temporary rule the mariners had the option of utilizing the alternate route to open water through Sheepscot Bay. No complaints were received from the mariners during the time the temporary regulation was in effect.

As a result, the Coast Guard believes that having bridge openings once an hour, on the hour, between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., from April 29 through September 30, should help alleviate the vehicular traffic problems in Boothbay Harbor and Southport during the summer months while continuing to meet the current and anticipated needs of navigation.

Regulatory Evaluation

This proposed rule is not a "significant regulatory action" under section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review, and does not require an assessment of potential costs and benefits under section 6(a)(3) of that Order. The Office of Management and Budget has not reviewed it under that Order. It is not "significant" under the regulatory policies and procedures of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

We expect the economic impact of this proposed rule to be so minimal that a full Regulatory Evaluation under the regulatory policies and procedures of DHS is unnecessary.

This conclusion is based on the fact that vessel traffic which can't pass under the Southport (SR27) Bridge in the closed position will still be provided bridge openings every hour as well as being able to utilize the alternate route to open water through Sheepscot Bay.

Small Entities

Under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601–612), we have considered whether this proposed rule would have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

The term "small entities" comprises small businesses, not-for-profit organizations that are independently owned and operated and are not dominant in their fields, and governmental jurisdictions with populations of less than 50,000.

The Coast Guard certifies under section 5 U.S.C. 605(b) that this proposed rule would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

This conclusion is based on the fact that vessel traffic which can't pass under the Southport (SR27) Bridge in the closed position will still be provided bridge openings every hour as well as being able to utilize the alternate route to open water through Sheepscot Bay.

If you think that your business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction qualifies as a small entity and that this rule would have a significant economic impact on it, please submit a comment (see **ADDRESSES**) explaining why you think it qualifies and how and to what degree this rule would economically affect it.

Assistance for Small Entities

Under section 213(a) of the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–121), we want to assist small entities in understanding this proposed rule so that they can better evaluate its effects on them and participate in the rulemaking. If the rule would affect your small business, organization, or governmental jurisdiction and you have questions concerning its provisions or options for compliance, please contact, Commander (dpb), First Coast Guard District, Bridge Branch, One South Street, New York, NY 10004. The telephone number is (212) 668–7165. The Coast Guard will not retaliate against small entities that question or complain about this rule or any policy or action of the Coast Guard.

Collection of Information

This proposed rule would call for no new collection of information under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520).

Federalism

A rule has implications for federalism under Executive Order 13132, Federalism, if it has a substantial direct effect on State or local governments and would either preempt State law or impose a substantial direct cost of

compliance on them. We have analyzed this proposed rule under that Order and have determined that it does not have implications for federalism.

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act

The Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1531–1538) requires Federal agencies to assess the effects of their discretionary regulatory actions. In particular, the Act addresses actions that may result in the expenditure by a State, local, or tribal government, in the aggregate, or by the private sector of \$100,000,000 or more in any one year. Though this proposed rule would not result in such an expenditure, we do discuss the effects of this rule elsewhere in this preamble.

Taking of Private Property

This proposed rule would not effect a taking of private property or otherwise have taking implications under Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference with Constitutionally Protected Property Rights.

Civil Justice Reform

This proposed rule meets applicable standards in sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform, to minimize litigation, eliminate ambiguity, and reduce burden.

Protection of Children

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Executive Order 13045, Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks. This rule is not an economically significant rule and would not create an environmental risk to health or risk to safety that might disproportionately affect children.

Indian Tribal Governments

This rule does not have tribal implications under Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments, because it would not have a substantial direct effect on one or more Indian tribes, on the relationship between the Federal Government and Indian tribes, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities between the Federal Government and Indian tribes.

Energy Effects

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Executive Order 13211, Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use. We have determined that it is not a “significant energy action” under that order because

it is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866 and is not likely to have a significant adverse effect on the supply, distribution, or use of energy. The Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs has not designated it as a significant energy action. Therefore, it does not require a Statement of Energy Effects under Executive Order 13211.

Technical Standards

The National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) (15 U.S.C. 272 note) directs agencies to use voluntary consensus standards in their regulatory activities unless the agency provides Congress, through the Office of Management and Budget, with an explanation of why using these standards would be inconsistent with applicable law or otherwise impractical. Voluntary consensus standards are technical standards (e.g., specifications of materials, performance, design, or operation; test methods; sampling procedures; and related management systems practices) that are developed or adopted by voluntary consensus standards bodies.

This proposed rule does not use technical standards. Therefore, we did not consider the use of voluntary consensus standards.

Environment

We have analyzed this proposed rule under Commandant Instruction M16475.1D, which guides the Coast Guard in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321–4370f), and have made a preliminary determination that there are no factors in this case that would limit the use of a categorical exclusion under section 2.B.2 of the Instruction. Therefore, this proposed rule is categorically excluded, under figure 2–1, paragraph (32)(e) of the Instruction, from further environment documentation because this action relates to the promulgation of operating regulations or procedures for drawbridges. Under figure 2–1, paragraph (32)(e) of the instruction, an “Environmental Analysis Checklist” is not required for this rule. Comments on this section will be considered before we make the final decision on whether to categorically exclude this rule from further environmental review.

List of Subjects in 33 CFR Part 117

Bridges.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Coast Guard proposes to amend 33 CFR part 117 as follows:

PART 117—DRAWBRIDGE OPERATION REGULATIONS

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

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 499; Department of Homeland Security Delegation No. 0170.1; 33 CFR 1.05–1(g); section 117.255 also issued under the authority of Pub. L. 102–587, 106 Stat. 5039.

2. Section 117.537 is added to read as follows:

§ 117.537 Townsend Gut.

The draw of the Southport (SR27) Bridge, at mile 16.8, across Townsend Gut between Booth Bay and Southport, shall open on signal; except that, from April 29 through September 30, between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., the draw shall open on signal once an hour, on the hour only, after an opening request is given by calling the number posted at the bridge.

Dated: April 10, 2006.

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First Coast Guard District.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 680

[Docket No. 060404093–6093–01; I.D. 032406D]

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Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Allocating Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crab Fishery Resources

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS proposes regulations implementing Amendment 21 to the Fishery Management Plan for Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (BSAI) King and Tanner crabs (FMP). This action proposes a change to the BSAI Crab Rationalization Program (Program). If approved, Amendment 21 and its implementing rule would modify the timing for harvesters and processors to match harvesting and processing shares and the timing for initiating arbitration proceedings incorporated in the Program to resolve price and other