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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket No. USCG 2012-0229]

Safety Zone; Fourth of July Fireworks, City of Antioch, CA

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of enforcement of regulation.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard will enforce the safety zone for the City of Antioch Fourth of July Fireworks display in the Captain of the Port, San Francisco area of responsibility during the dates and times noted below. This action is necessary to protect life and property of the maritime public from the hazards associated with the fireworks display. During the enforcement period, unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or anchoring in the safety zone, unless authorized by the Patrol Commander (PATCOM).

DATES: The regulations in 33 CFR 165.1191 will be enforced from 8 a.m. on through 10 p.m. on July 4, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this notice, call or e-mail Ensign William Hawn, Sector San Francisco Waterways Safety Division, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 415-399-7442, e-mail D11-PF-MarineEvents@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Coast Guard will enforce a safety zone in navigable waters around and under the fireworks barge within a radius of 100 feet during the loading, transit, and arrival of the fireworks barge to the display location and until the start of the fireworks display. From 8 a.m. on until 8:45 p.m. on July 4, 2012 the fireworks barge will be loaded off of Fulton Shipyard Pier in Antioch, CA at position 38°01'03"N, 121°48'04"W (NAD 83). From 8:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. on July 4, 2012 the loaded barge will transit from Fulton Shipyard Pier to the launch site off the City of Antioch, CA near position 38°01'06"N, 121°48'32"W (NAD 83) where it will remain until the commencement of the fireworks display. Upon the commencement of the 30 minute fireworks display, scheduled to take place from 9:20 p.m. to 9:50 p.m. on July 4, 2012, the safety zone will increase in size to encompass the navigable waters around and under the fireworks barge within a radius 1,000 feet near position 38°01'06"N, 121°48'32"W (NAD 83) for the City of Antioch Fourth of July Fireworks display in 33 CFR 165.1191. This safety zone will be in effect from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. on July 4, 2012. Under the provisions of 33 CFR 165.1191, unauthorized persons or vessels are prohibited from entering into, transiting through, or anchoring in the safety zone during

all applicable effective dates and times, unless authorized to do so by the PATCOM. Additionally, each person who receives notice of a lawful order or direction issued by an official patrol vessel shall obey the order or direction. The PATCOM is empowered to forbid entry into and control the regulated area. The PATCOM shall be designated by the Commander, Coast Guard Sector San Francisco. The PATCOM may, upon request, allow the transit of commercial vessels through regulated areas when it is safe to do so.

This notice is issued under authority of 33 CFR 165.1191 and 5 U.S.C. 552 (a). In addition to this notice in the Federal Register, the Coast Guard will provide the maritime community with extensive advance notification of the safety zone and its enforcement period via the Local Notice to Mariners.

If the Captain of the Port determines that the regulated area need not be enforced for the full duration stated in this notice, a Broadcast Notice to Mariners may be used to grant general permission to enter the regulated area.

Dated: April 27, 2012

Cynthia L. Stowe
Captain, U.S. Coast Guard
Captain of the Port San Francisco

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