

PUBLIC NOTICE

Final Environmental Impact Statement
Final General Conformity Determination
for the Sea Port Oil Terminal Project

The Maritime Administration (MARAD) and the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) announce the availability of both the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) and the Final General Conformity Determination for the SPOT Terminal Services LLC (SPOT) deepwater port (DWP) license application for the export of crude oil from the United States to nations abroad. The proposed project would be located approximately 27.2 to 30.8 nautical miles off the coast of Brazoria County, Texas.

A Notice of Application that summarized the SPOT DWP license application was published in the Federal Register on March 4, 2019 (84 FR 7413). A Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Notice of Public Scoping Meeting was published in the Federal Register on March 7, 2019 (84 FR 8401). A Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS and Notice of Public Meeting was published in the Federal Register on February 7, 2020 (85 FR 7381). A Notice of Availability of the Draft General Conformity Determination was published in the Federal Register on October 8, 2021 (86 FR 56349). A Notice of Availability of the Supplemental Draft EIS and Notice of Public Meeting was published in the Federal Register on October 29, 2021 (86 FR 60093). This Notice of Availability incorporates the aforementioned Federal Register notices by reference. To learn more about the SPOT Project, please visit the informational website at www.SPOTNEPAProcess.com.

Publication of the FEIS began a 45-day comment period that ends September 12, 2022 and announced a virtual Final Hearing on August 23, 2022. Request for participation in the environmental impact review process and information on how to participate in the process is provided in this notice below.

To ensure your comments are considered, MARAD and the USCG request that all comments be submitted via **only one** of the following means by Monday, **September 12, 2022**.

- Electronic (*preferred to expedite processing*): Through the Federal Docket Management web-site at www.regulations.gov under docket number MARAD-2019-0011
- Mail: Docket Management Facility (MARAD-2019-0011), Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, Att: MARAD-2019-0011
- Fax: To Docket Management Facility at (202) 493-2251

MARAD and USCG will hold one virtual Final Hearing on **August 23, 2022** from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Central Standard Time (CST). Anyone that is interested in attending or speaking at the virtual final hearing must register on the website at www.SPOTNEPAProcess.com or by phone at **888-731-5089**.

All comments submitted to the docket via www.regulations.gov, delivered to the Federal Docket Management Facility, or provided at the virtual Final Hearing will be posted, without change, to the docket website www.regulations.gov, and will include any personal information provided. All submissions shall be publicly available for viewing. Please identify yourself, any organization you represent, and the docket number MARAD-2019-0011. You may wish to read the Privacy and Security Notice and the User Notice that are available on the www.regulations.gov website. The Privacy Act notice regarding the Federal Docket Management System is available in the March 24, 2005, issue of the Federal Register (70 FR 15086). Comments and material received from the public will become part of this docket and will be available for inspection or copying at Federal Docket Management Facility, in Room W12-140, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays. You may also view the docket, including this notice and comments, at www.regulations.gov docket number MARAD-2019-0011.

If you have questions about the project, the Final General Conformity Determination, or the FEIS, you may contact MARAD via email at SPOT_EIS@dot.gov, or the USCG via email at DeepwaterPorts@uscg.mil. Include MARAD-2019-011 in the subject line of the message. Please do not submit written comments or other materials to the above email addresses. Improperly submitted comments may be rejected from consideration.