



Marine Safety Information Bulletin

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Port Access Route Study: Northern New York Bight

This bulletin announces the completion of the Northern New York Bight Port Access Route Study and availability of the final report.

1. From June 29, 2020, through December 27, 2021, the Coast Guard conducted the Northern New York Bight Port Access Route Study (NNYBPARS). The goal of the study was to evaluate the adequacy of existing vessel routing measures and determine whether additional vessel routing measures are necessary for port approaches to New York and New Jersey and international and domestic transit areas in the First Coast Guard District area of responsibility. To accomplish this goal, the Coast Guard has made recommendations for additional routing measures to improve navigation safety due to factors such as planned or potential offshore development, current port capabilities and planned improvements, increased vessel traffic, existing and potential anchorage areas, changing vessel traffic patterns, effects of weather, or navigational difficulty.
2. To view the Federal Register notice of availability and the final report go to the federal portal at <https://www.regulations.gov/search?filter=uscg-2020-0278> or go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, and insert "USCG-2020-0278" in the "search box." Click "Search". The final report is also available on the Coast Guard Navigation Center website at <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=PARSReports>.
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