



National Coast Guard Museum
Project Overview
New London, Connecticut
June 22, 2017



The Coast Guard proposes to allow the National Coast Guard Museum Association (NCGMA) to construct an approximately 70,000 to 80,000 square-foot museum with an at-grade entry level plus five to six stories to be located in downtown New London, Connecticut on land that is now or will be in the future owned by the U.S. Coast Guard. On completion of the museum, the Coast Guard intends to accept the donation of the museum and operate it in perpetuity. Specific proposed action elements that are the subject of the SEA include:

1. acquisition of approximately 2,000 square feet of land area to the south that is currently owned by the City of New London;
2. acquisition of approximately 12,200 square feet of land area that is currently owned by the State of Connecticut (8,900 square feet of which is currently covered by the City Pier platform);
3. minor property boundary adjustments;
4. construction of approximately 225 linear feet of bulkhead and fill along the shoreline of the Thames River;
5. demolition of approximately 3,300 square feet of the City Pier Plaza to provide compensatory open water;
6. completion of site and utility improvements on land and in the water to accommodate the Museum and water exhibits; and
7. construction and operation of the Museum.

An environmental review of the project is being reviewed under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The initial Environmental Assessment was published in March of 2014. A Supplemental Environmental Assessment (SEA) is currently underway that will build upon and augment the 2014 EA to evaluate those **elements that have either changed or where the layout and nature of the Museum structure and site design have been refined over the past three years**. The project scoping period commenced on June 14, 2017 and will continue through July 18, 2017. The Draft Supplemental Environmental Assessment is anticipated to be completed in the fall of 2017. Additional opportunities for review and comment will be provided at that time.

Please submit your written comments by July 18, 2017 via USPS mail, fax, or electronic mail to:

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