

## **APPENDIX F: BRIDGE PERMIT PROCESSING PROCEDURES**

1. Pre-application meeting and consultation
2. Receipt of the application by the Coast Guard
3. Review Process
  - a. Within 30 days of receipt of the application, District sends letter to applicant requesting any additional information, if required
  - b. When application is complete, District issues public notice, coordination letters/Local Notice to Mariners
  - c. Public Notice/Coordination Letters/Local Notice to Mariners
  - d. Review of Comments
    - 1) Applicant provided opportunity to respond to comments
    - 2) District holds scoping/coordination meetings, public hearings, if necessary
  - e. Coast Guard Findings and Recommendations
    - 1) Navigability documentation
    - 2) Environmental Documentation
      - a) Alternatives
      - b) Section 4(f)
      - c) Coastal Zone Management Plan
      - d) Wetlands
      - e) Floodplain
      - f) Water Quality Certification
      - g) Threatened and Endangered Species
      - h) Essential Fish Habitat
      - i) Wild and Scenic Rivers

- j) Prime and Unique Farmland
- k) Clean Air
- l) Noise Levels
- m) Residential or Business Displacement

4. Final Coast Guard Agency Action

a. Coast Guard District action

- 1) Evaluation/Findings of Fact
- 2) Recommendation to issue or deny permit
- 3) Permit issuance or denial, only in certain cases

b. Coast Guard Headquarters final agency action

- 1) Review and evaluation
- 2) Permit issuance or denial