



Invitation to Joint Public Listening Sessions “Future of Navigation”

Over the past few decades, the rapid development, reliability, and availability of e-Navigation components such as the Global Positioning System (GPS), Electronic Chart Display and Information Systems (ECDIS) has fundamentally changed mariners’ reliance on traditional navigation services. In addition, the ability to manage data and information provided to the mariner through Automatic Identification System (AIS), cellular, and other means, has enhanced the interconnectivity between shore side information providers and shipboard users. These technological advances and data flows will help the mariner receive data, transmit data, and generally improve bridge resource management, situational awareness and navigational safety.

These fundamental changes have presented the federal government, including the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration with an opportunity to once again modernize navigation services to the mariner. These advents in technology compel these Federal agencies to optimize the current aids to navigation, other marine information systems, and marine charting.

Therefore, with the objective of developing a portfolio, the development of which is to provide coordinated and timely delivery of navigational information and services to promote safety and efficiency on the MTS, the U.S. Coast Guard, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers invite you to attend one of our public listening sessions to share your comments regarding your requirements for emerging needs for navigational information and service delivery systems in an eNAV environment.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Honolulu, HI:	19 May	0900-1100	Harborview Center
Fort Lauderdale, FL:	22 May	1700-1900	Embassy Suites Ft Lauderdale, 1100 SE 17 th St
Hampton Roads, VA:	22 May	1700-1900	Renaissance Hotel and Waterfront Conf Center
Boston, MA:	03 Jun	1000-1200	Volpe Center, Cambridge, MA
Seattle, WA:	03 Jun	1800-2000	Seattle Public Library
New York, NY:	10 Jun	1000-1200	U.S. Customs House
Alameda, CA:	10 Jun	1800-2000	Oakland Marriot, 1001 Broadway, Oakland, CA
Port Huron, MI:	12 Jun	1700-1900	Double Tree Hotel
Long Beach, CA:	17 Jun	1800-2000	Hyatt Regency Long Beach, 200 South Pine Ave.
St. Louis, MO:	18 Jun	0900-1100	USACE Mel Price Lock Museum

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An online survey tool is also being developed to allow anyone with internet access to provide input.