

## Headlines:

USCG – Waves on the Waterfront;  
ISAC – teleconference meeting;  
House – bill introduced re multimodal freight network;  
Senate – bill introduced re multimodal network; and  
China – unmanned ships.

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## USCG – Waves on the Waterfront



The US Coast Guard posted the August 2015 edition of [Waves on the Waterfront](http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg544/Waves%20on%20the%20Waterfront/WavesOnTheWaterfront%20(August%202015).pdf) [located at [http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg544/Waves%20on%20the%20Waterfront/WavesOnTheWaterfront%20\(August%202015\).pdf](http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cg5/cg544/Waves%20on%20the%20Waterfront/WavesOnTheWaterfront%20(August%202015).pdf)]. Topics include cyber risks in the maritime transportation system and mitigation techniques. (8/11/15).

## ISAC – teleconference meeting



The Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC), sponsored by the Department of the Interior (DOI), will meet via teleconference on 18 August to discuss the Early detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) framework. [80 Fed. Reg. 48334](http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-12/pdf/2015-19867.pdf) [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-12/pdf/2015-19867.pdf>] (8/12/15).

## House – bill introduced re multimodal freight network



Representative Reichert (R-WA) introduced the **National Multimodal Freight Policy and Investment Act** (H.R. 3398) [located at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-114hr3398ih/pdf/BILLS-114hr3398ih.pdf>] to improve the condition and performance of the national multimodal freight network, and for other purposes. (7/29/15).

## Senate – bill introduced re multimodal network



Senator Merkley (D-OR) introduced a bill (S. 2008) to enhance transportation programs in order to achieve an interconnected transportation system which connects people to jobs, schools, and other essential services through a multimodal network, and for other purposes. Official text of the bill is not yet available, but Senator Merkley issued a **press release** [located at <http://www.merkley.senate.gov/news/press-releases/merkley-introduces-new-legislation-to-connect-transportation-systems-to-jobs-and-economic-opportunities>] explaining the measure. (8/6/15).

## China – unmanned ships



The Chinese Maritime Safety Administration (MSA) issued a **news release** [located at <http://en.msa.gov.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=show&catid=336&id=165>] stating that the Unmanned Multifunctional Maritime Ships Research and Development Project has been approved. (8/11/15).

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