

Headlines:

DOD – USN sailors and boats released by Iran;
USCG – controlling transient fire load;
House – “waters of the United States”; and
California – Sustainable Freight Initiative.

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DOD – USN sailors and boats released by Iran



The Department of Defense (DOD) issued a [news release](http://www.defense.gov/News-Article-View/Article/642838/carter-hails-irans-swift-return-of-10-us-sailors) [located at <http://www.defense.gov/News-Article-View/Article/642838/carter-hails-irans-swift-return-of-10-us-sailors>] expressing appreciation for the prompt release by Iranian authorities of the ten US Navy sailors and two Riverine Command Boats from Farsi Island in the Persian Gulf. The Navy issued a [news release](http://www.navy.mil/submit/display.asp?story_id=92689) [located at http://www.navy.mil/submit/display.asp?story_id=92689] stating that it will investigate the circumstances that led to the sailors' presence in Iran. (1/13/16).

USCG – controlling transient fire load



The US Coast Guard issued a policy letter recommending practices for controlling transient fire load created by passenger baggage in very low fire load (Type 5A) spaces. [Policy Letter CG-CVC 16-01](http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cgcvc/cvc/policy/policy_letters/CVC/CG-CVC_pol16-01.pdf) [located at http://www.uscg.mil/hq/cgcvc/cvc/policy/policy_letters/CVC/CG-CVC_pol16-01.pdf] (1/13/16).

House – “waters of the United States”



The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee issued a **press release** [located at <http://transportation.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=399644>] stating that the House voted to approve **S.J.Res. 22** to vacate the 2015 **rulemaking** by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) defining the term “waters of the United States”. The measure now goes to the White House. President Obama has indicated that he will veto the measure. (1/13/16).

California – Sustainable Freight Initiative



The California Air Resources Board (ARB) issued a **notice** [located at http://www.arb.ca.gov/gmp/sfti/workshop_notice_1.11.16.pdf] stating that it and other state agencies will conduct workshops and a webinar regarding the Sustainable Freight Action Plan. The workshops will be in Sacramento (26 January); Fresno (28 January); and Los Angeles (1 February). The webinar will be on 5 February. (1/12/16).

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