DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-AAL-19]

Establishment of Class E Airspace; Scammon Bay, AK

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action establishes Class E airspace at Scammon Bay, AK. The establishment of Global Positioning System (GPS) instrument approach procedures at Scammon Bay Airport made this action necessary. The Scammon Bay Airport status changes from Visual Flight Rules (VFR) to Instrument Flight Rules (IFR). This rule provides adequate controlled airspace for aircraft flying IFR procedures at Scammon Bay, AK.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, June 15, 2000.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On November 22, 1999, a proposal to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to establish the Class E airspace at Scammon Bay, AK, was published in the Federal Register (64 FR 63765). The proposal was necessary due to the establishment of GPS instrument approach procedures at Scammon Bay, AK. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No public comments to the proposal were received; thus, the rule is adopted as written.

The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. The Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1200 foot transition areas are published in paragraph 6005 in FAA Order 7400.9G, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this

document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 establishes the Class E airspace at Scammon Bay, AK, through the establishment of GPS instrument approaches. The airport status changes from VFR to IFR. The area will be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled airspace for IFR operations at Scammon Bay, AK.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore—(1) Is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) Is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) Does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71— DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9G, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is amended as follows:

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Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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Scammon Bay Airport

(Lat. $61^{\circ}50^{\checkmark}40''$ \mathring{N} ., long. $165^{\circ}34'26''$ W.) Hooper Bay VOR

(lat. 61° 30′ 52″ N., long. 166° 08′ 04″ W.) That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within 6.3-mile radius of the Scammon Bay Airport and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 42-mile radius of the Hooper Bay VOR extending clockwise between the 006° radial and 066° radial.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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14 CFR Part 73

[Airspace Docket No. 95-ASW-6] RIN 2120-AA66

Establishment of Restricted Areas R-5117, R-5119, R-5121 and R-5123; NM

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action establishes four restricted areas in the West/Central New Mexico area (Restricted Areas R–5117, and R–5121, Fort Wingate, NM; R–5119, Socorro, NM; and R–5123, Magdalena, NM). The FAA is taking this action to provide an area for the United States Army (US Army), to conduct missile and sensor tests associated with the Theater Missile Defense (TMD) system. EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, June 15, 2000.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On May 15, 1995, the US Army requested that the FAA establish four restricted areas in West/Central New Mexico to support the US Army Tactical Missile System projects.