

ACTION: Final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action removes the description of the Class E airspace designated for New Kent County Airport, Quinton, VA; Chesterfield County Airport, Richmond, VA; Hanover County Municipal Airport, Richmond, VA; and Dinwiddie County Airport, Petersburg, VA. The affected Class E-5 airspace for the airports included in these descriptions will be consolidated into the amended Richmond, VA airspace description contained in Docket No. FAA-2004-17597, Airspace Docket No. 04-AEA-07, effective August 5, 2004.

DATES: *Effective date:* August 5, 2004.

Comment Date: Comments must be received on or before July 15, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the rule to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You must identify the docket number FAA-2004-17899, Airspace Docket No. 04-AEA-09 at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments on the Internet at <http://www.dms.dot.gov>. You may review the public docket containing the rule, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Docket Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Office (telephone 1-800-647-5527) is on the plaza level of the Department of Transportation NASSIF Building at the above address.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Regional Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Eastern Region, 1 Aviation Plaza, Jamaica, NY 11434-4890.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Francis Jordan, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AEA-520, Aviation Plaza, Jamaica, NY 11434-4809, telephone: (718) 553-4521.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Although this action is a final rule, which involves the amendment of Class E airspace within Virginia, by consolidating that airspace into one description, and was not preceded by notice and public procedure, comments are invited on the rule. This rule will become effective on the date specified in the **DATES** section. However, after the review of any comments, if the FAA finds that further changes are appropriate, it will initiate rulemaking proceedings to extend the effective date or to amend the regulation.

Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in evaluating the effects of the rule, and in determining whether additional rulemaking is required. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the rule which might suggest the need to modify the rule.

The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) amends the description of Class E airspace in the Richmond, VA area by removing the airspace designations for New Kent County Airport, VA; Chesterfield County Airport, VA; Hanover County Municipal Airport, VA; and Dinwiddie County Airport, VA. It consolidates those airspace areas into the amended Richmond, VA description.

The proliferation of airports with Instrument Flight Rule (IFR) operations within the Richmond, VA metropolitan area has resulted in the overlap of numerous Class E airspace areas that complicate the chart depictions. This action clarifies the airspace and diminishes the scope and complexity of charting. The IFR airports within those areas will be incorporated into the Richmond, VA Class E airspace area. Accordingly, since this action merely consolidates these airspace areas into one airspace designation and has inconsequential impact on aircraft operations in the area, notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) are unnecessary.

Class E airspace designations for airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9L, dated September 2, 2003, and effective September 16, 2003, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order. The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routing amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this regulation: (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 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, Incorporated 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—[AMENDED]

■ 1. The authority citation for 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 the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9L, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 2, 2003 and effective September 16, 2003, is amended as follows:

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

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AEA VA E5 Ashland, VA, [Removed]

AEA VA E5 Chesterfield, VA, [Removed]

AEA VA E5 Petersburg, VA, [Removed]

AEA VA E5 Quinton, VA, [Removed]

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2004-17422; Airspace Docket No. 04-ACE-23]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Cozad, NE

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: This document confirms the effective date of the direct final rule

which revises Class E airspace at Cozad, NE.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, August 5, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Mumper, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-520A, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329-2524.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA published this direct final rule with a request for comments in the **Federal Register** on April 26, 2004 (69 FR 22398). The FAA uses the direct final rulemaking procedure for a non-controversial rule where the FAA believes that there will be no adverse public comment. This direct final rule advised the public that no adverse comments were anticipated, and that unless a written adverse comment, or a written notice of intent to submit such an adverse comment, were received within the comment period, the regulation would become effective on August 5, 2004. No adverse comments were received, and thus this notice confirms that this direct final rule will become effective on that date.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on June 7, 2004.

Elizabeth S. Wallis,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2004-17425; Airspace Docket No. 04-ACE-25]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Holdrege, NE

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; confirmation of effective date.

SUMMARY: This document confirms the effective date of the direct final rule which revises Class E airspace at Holdrege, NE.

DATES: *Effective Date:* 0901 UTC, August 5, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Mumper, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-520A, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust,

Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329-2524.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA published this direct final rule with a request for comments in the **Federal Register** on May 11, 2004 (69 FR 26035). The FAA uses the direct final rulemaking procedure for a non-controversial rule where the FAA believes that there will be no adverse public comment. This direct final rule advised the public that no adverse comments were anticipated, and that unless a written adverse comment, or a written notice of intent to submit such an adverse comment, were received within the comment period, the regulation would become effective on August 5, 2004. No adverse comments were received, and thus this notice confirms that this direct final rule will become effective on that date.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2004-18010; Airspace Docket No. 04-ACE-39]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Broken Bow, NE

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, part 71 (14 CFR 71) by revising Class E airspace at Broken Bow, NE. One area navigation (RNAV) global positioning system (GPS) standard instrument approach procedure (SIAP) and one very high frequency omni-directional range (VOR)/distance measuring equipment (DME) SIAP have been developed to serve Broken Bow Municipal Airport. Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Broken Bow, NE does not adequately protect for diverse departures.

The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled airspace of appropriate dimensions to protect aircraft departing and executing SIAPs to Broken Bow Municipal Airport. It enlarges the Broken Bow, NE Class E airspace area and brings the airspace

area and legal description into compliance with FAA Orders.

DATES: This direct final rule is effective on 0901 UTC, September 30, 2004. Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before July 29, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You must identify the docket number FAA-2004-18010/ Airspace Docket No. 04-ACE-39, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>. You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Office (telephone 1-800-647-5527) is on the plaza level of the Department of Transportation NASSIF Building at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Mumper, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-502A, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329-2524.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to 14 CFR 71 modifies the Class E airspace area extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Broken Bow, NE. RNAV (GPS) Runway (RWY) 32, ORIGINAL SIAP and VOR/DME RWY 32, ORIGINAL SIAP have been developed to serve Broken Bow Municipal Airport. The dimensions of the Broken Bow, NE Class E airspace area are modified to accommodate all SIAPs serving the airport and to provide adequate controlled airspace for diverse departures. The radius of the airspace area is increased from 6 to 7.9 miles. The current extension to the airspace area is reduced in width from 5.3 to 1.4 miles each side of center and the length reduced from 7.4 to 7 miles northwest of the VOR/DME. No other extensions are required. This action also corrects an error in the published Broken Bow Municipal Airport airport reference point (ARP), redefines the radial used to describe the northwest extension and brings the airspace area and its legal description into compliance with FAA Orders 7400.2E, Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters and 8260.19C, Flight Procedures and Airspace. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the