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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2010-0842; Airspace
Docket No. 10-ASW-11]

Amendment of Class E Airspace; Taos, NM

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E airspace for Taos, NM. Decommissioning of the Ski non-directional beacon (NDB) at Taos Regional Airport, Taos, NM, has made this action necessary to enhance the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rule (IFR) operations at the airport.

DATES: Effective date 0901 UTC, March 10, 2011. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under 1 CFR part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On October 28, 2010, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking to amend Class E airspace for Taos, NM, reconfiguring controlled airspace at Taos Regional Airport (75 FR 66345) Docket No. FAA-2010-0842. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received. Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9U dated August 18, 2010, and effective September 15, 2010, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR Part 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document

will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by amending Class E airspace for the Taos, NM area. Decommissioning of the Ski NDB and cancellation of the NDB approach at Taos Regional Airport has made this action necessary for the safety and management of IFR operations at the airport.

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. 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, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the U.S. Code. Subtitle 1, section 106, describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in subtitle VII, part A, subpart I, section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it amends controlled airspace at Taos Regional Airport, Taos, NM.

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, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE 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 the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9U, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 18, 2010, and effective September 15, 2010 is amended as follows:

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

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ASW NM E5 Taos, NM [Amended]

Taos Regional Airport, NM

(Lat. 36°27'29" N., long. 105°40'21" W.)

Taos VORTAC

(Lat. 36°36'32" N., long. 105°54'23" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of Taos Regional Airport and within 1.5 miles each side of the 129° radial from the Taos VORTAC extending from the 6.5-mile radius to 9.4 miles northwest of the airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface beginning at lat. 36°07'00" N., long. 105°47'42" W., thence via the 21.3-mile arc of Taos Regional Airport clockwise to lat. 36°48'00" N., long. 105°47'35" W., thence to lat. 36°30'00" N., long. 105°30'02" W., thence to the point of beginning.

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14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2010-0769; Airspace
Docket No. 10-ACE-9]

Amendment of Class E Airspace; Farmington, MO

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E airspace at Farmington, MO, to accommodate new Area Navigation (RNAV) Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAP) at Farmington Regional Airport, Farmington, MO. The FAA is taking this action to enhance the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rule (IFR) operations at the airport.