# 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 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace

# AAL AK D Anchorge, Bryant AHP, AK [Removed]

# AAL AK D Adak, AK [Removed]

Paragraph 6004 Class E airspace areas designated as an extension to a Class D or

# AAL AK E4 Adak, AK [Revised]

Class E surface area.

Adak NAS Airport, AK

(Lat. 51°52′53" N. long. 176°38′50" W)

### Adak NDB

(Lat. 51°55'01" N, long. 176°34'01" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 3.8 miles each side of the 053° bearing from the Adak NDB extending from the 4.5-mile radius of the Adak NAS to 6.4 miles northeast of the Adak NDB. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Supplement Alaska (Airport/Facility Directory).

Issued in Anchorage, AK, on September 10, 1997.

# Willis C. Nelson,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Alaskan Region.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. 97-ACE-11]

# Amendment to Class E Airspace, Lee's Summit, MO

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Direct final rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This action amends the Class E airspace area at Lee's Summit Municipal Airport, Lee's Summit, MO. The FAA has developed Nondirectional Radio Beacon (NDB) Runway (RWY) 18 and RWY 36 Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAP) to serve the Lee's Summit Municipal Airport. The intended effect of this action is to provide additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) to accommodate these SIAPs, and to provide segregation of aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from aircraft operating in visual weather conditions at the Lee's Summit Municipal Airport.

**DATES:** *Effective date:* 0901 UTC, February 26, 1998.

Comment date: Comments must be received on or before November 15, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the rule in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, ACE–520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket Number 97– ACE–11, 601 East 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel for the Central Region at the same address between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the Air Traffic Division at the same address listed above.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE–520C, Federal Aviation Administration, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone; (816) 426–3408.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA has developed NDB SIAPs to RWY 18 and RWY 36 to serve the Lee's Summit Municipal Airport, Lee's Summit, MO. The amendment to Class E airspace at Lee's Summit Municipal Airport, MO, is necessary to provide additional

controlled airspace at and above 700 feet AGL in order to contain the new SIAPs within controlled airspace, and thereby facilitate separation of aircraft operating under instrument flight rules (IFR). The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace areas extending from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9E, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, 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 Direct Final Rule Procedure

The FAA anticipates that this regulation will not result in adverse or negative comment and, therefore, is issuing it as a direct final rule. Previous actions of this nature have not been controversial and have not resulted in adverse comments or objections. The amendment will enhance safety for all flight operations by designating an area where VFR pilots may anticipate the presence of IFR aircraft at lower altitudes, especially during inclement weather conditions. A greater degree of safety is achieved by depiciting the area on aeronautical charts. Unless a written adverse or negative comment, or a written notice of intent to submit an adverse or negative comment is received within the comment period, the regulation will become effective on the date specified above. After the close of the comment period, the FAA will publish a document in the Federal **Register** indicating that no adverse or negative comments were received and confirming the date on which the final rule will become effective. If the FAA does receive, within the comment period, an adverse or negative comment, or written notice of intent to submit such a comment, a document withdrawing the direct final rule will be published in the **Federal Register**, and a notice of proposed rulemaking may be published with a new comment period.

# **Comments Invited**

Although this action is in the form of a final rule and was not preceded by a notice of proposed rulemaking, comments are invited on this rule. Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified under the caption ADDRESSES. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered, and

this rule may be amended or withdrawn in light of the comments received. Factual information that supports the commenter's ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this action and determining whether additional rulemaking action would be needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. All comments submitted will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report that summarizes each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this action will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this rule must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 97–ACE–11." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

# **Agency Findings**

The regulations adopted herein will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 12612, it is determined that this final rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant the preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

The FAA has determined that this regulation is noncontroversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. For the reasons discussed in the preamble, I certify that this regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under Department of Transportation (DOT) Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979); and (3) if promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, 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**

Accordingly, the Federal Aviation Administration amends Part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (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 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 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, is amended as follows:

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

#### ACE MO E5 Lee's Summit, MO [Revised]

Lee's Summit Municipal Airport, MO. (Lat. 38°37′35″ N., long. 94°22′18″ W.) Lesumit NDB, MO

(Lat. 38°57′39" N., long. 94°22′16" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7-mile radius of Lee's Summit Municipal Airport.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on August 29, 1997.

#### Christopher R. Blum,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# **Federal Aviation Administration**

# 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97–AAL–8]

# Revision of Class E Airspace; Ketchikan, AK

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action revises the Class E airspace designated as the surface area for Ketchikan, AK. The Ketchikan International Airport's surface area is currently effective 24 hours a day and has a mandatory communication requirement. The wording in the last two sentences in the current description applies to surface areas with less than 24 hours operations. These last two

sentences are deleted. The effect of this action is to modify the Ketchikan, AK, surface area description to indicate a continuous, 24 hour operation. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 Coordinated

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), November 17, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert van Haastert, Operations Branch, AAL-538, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513-7587; telephone number: (907) 271-5863; email: Robert.van.Haastert@faa.dot.gov. Internet: http://www.alaska.faa.gov/at or at http://162.58.28.41/at.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# History

On June 11, 1997, a proposal to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to revise the Class E airspace at Ketchikan, AK, was published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 31769). The Ketchikan International Airport's surface area is currently effective 24 hours a day and has a mandatory communication requirement. The wording in the last two sentences in the current description applies to surface areas with less than 24 hours operations. These last two sentences are deleted to indicate the continuous operation.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No negative comments to the proposal were received. However, part of the airspace description was inadvertently left out from the notice of proposed rulemaking. This missing part of the airspace description has been added to this rule: "excluding that airspace beyond 2.5-miles of the Ketchikan International Airport beginning 1 mile east of the Ketchikan localizer northwest course clockwise to the 350° bearing from the Ketchikan International Airport." The Federal Aviation Administration has determined that these changes are editorial in nature and will not increase the scope of this rule. Except for the non-substantive changes just discussed, the rule is adopted as written.

The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. The Class E airspace areas designated as a surface area for an airport are published in paragraph 6002 of FAA Order 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 (62 FR 52491 October 8, 1997). The