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 an emergency regulation that must be issued immediately to correct an unsafe condition in aircraft, and that it is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866. It has been determined further that this action involves an emergency regulation under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979). If it is determined that this emergency regulation otherwise would be significant under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures, a final regulatory evaluation will be prepared and placed in the Rules Docket. A copy of it, if filed, may be obtained from the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration amends part 39 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 39) as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. Section 39.13 is amended by adding the following new airworthiness directive:

98-09-01 Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation: Amendment 39-10480. Docket 98-NM-114-AD.

Applicability: Model GV series airplanes, serial numbers 501 and 504 through 540 inclusive, certificated in any category.

Note 1: This AD applies to each airplane identified in the preceding applicability provision, regardless of whether it has been modified, altered, or repaired in the area subject to the requirements of this AD. For airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in

accordance with paragraph (d) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required as indicated, unless accomplished previously.

To prevent the incorrect operation of the elevator Hardover Prevention System (HOPS), which could result in loss of control of the airplane, accomplish the following:

- (a) Within 25 flight hours after the effective date of this AD, accomplish the requirements of paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this AD, in accordance with Gulfstream Aerospace Alert Customer Bulletin No. 3, dated February 25, 1998
- (1) Perform a visual inspection to verify correct wire connections to the forward and aft hydraulic deactivation valve, left- and right-hand sides, of the elevator HOPS. If any connector is connected improperly, prior to further flight, re-connect the wiring in accordance with the alert customer bulletin. And
- (2) Perform a functional test to ensure correct operation of the elevator HOPS. If any discrepancy is found, prior to further flight, repair in accordance with a method approved by the Manager, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Small Airplane Directorate.
- (b) Thereafter, repeat the actions required by paragraph (a) of this AD immediately following accomplishment of any maintenance actions on the elevator HOPS, until the actions required by paragraph (c) of the AD have been accomplished.
- (c) Within 150 flight hours after the effective date of this AD, modify the electrical harness of the hydraulic deactivation valves of the left elevator HOPS, and install additional identification decals, in accordance with Gulfstream Aerospace GV Customer Bulletin No. 4, dated March 31, 1998. Accomplishment of the requirements of this paragraph constitutes terminating action for this AD.
- (d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Atlanta ACO. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Atlanta ACO.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Atlanta ACO.

- (e) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.
- (f) The inspection and functional test shall be done in accordance with Gulfstream Aerospace Alert Customer Bulletin No. 3, dated February 25, 1998. The modification shall be done in accordance with Gulfstream Aerospace GV Customer Bulletin No. 4, dated March 31, 1998. This incorporation by

reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, P.O. Box 2206, M/S D–10, Savannah, Georgia 31402–9980. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the FAA, Small Airplane Directorate, Atlanta Aircraft Certification Office, One Crown Center, 1895 Phoenix Boulevard, suite 450, Atlanta, Georgia; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

(g) This amendment becomes effective on May 5, 1998.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on April 13,

Darrell M. Pederson,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 98–10276 Filed 4–17–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–U

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-AWP-2]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Porterville, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action modifies the Class E airspace area at Porterville, CA. The establishment of a Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (RWY) 12 and a GPS SIAP to RWY 30 at Porterville Municipal Airport has made this action necessary. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing the GPS RWY 12 SIAP and GPS RWY 30 SIAP to Porterville Municipal Airport. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations Porterville Municipal Airport, Porterville, CA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC August 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry Tonish, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AWP–520, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725–6539.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On February 18, 1998, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 by modifying the Class E airspace area at Porterville, CA (63 FR 8153). Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is needed to contain aircraft executing the GPS RWY 12 SIAP and GPS RWY 30 SIAP at Porterville Municipal Airport. This action will provide adequate controlled airspace for IFR operations at Porterville Municipal Airport, Porterville, CA. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposal were received. Class E airspace designations for airspace 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 Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 modifies the Class E airspace area at Porterville, CA. The development of a GPS SIAP's has made this action necessary. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing the GPS RWY 12 SIAP and GPS RWY 30 SIAP at Porterville Municipal Airport, Porterville, CA.

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 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; 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; 14 CFR 11.69.

§71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the 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

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Porterville Municipal Airport, CA (lat. 36°01′48″N, long. 119°03′46″W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of the Porterville Municipal Airport and within an area bounded by a line beginning at lat. 35°57′54″N, long. 118°47′20″W; to lat. 35°48′30″N, long. 118°51′00″W; to lat. 35°47′30″W, long. 119°01′00″W; to lat. 35°55′26″N, long. 119°01′59″W, thence clockwise along the 6.5-mile radius of the Porterville Municipal Airport, to the point of beginning.

Issued in Los Angeles, California, on April 2, 1998.

Sherry Avery,

Acting Assistant Manager, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-AWP-5]

Establishment of Class E Airspace; Delano, CA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action establishes a Class E airspace area at Delano, CA. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing instrument operations at Delano Municipal Airport. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations

at Delano Municipal Airport, Delano,

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC August 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On February 18, 1998, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 by establishing a Class E airspace area at Delano, CA (63 FR 8151). Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is needed to contain aircraft executing instrument operations at Delano Municipal Airport. This action will provide adequate controlled airspace for IFR operations at Delano Municipal Airport, Delano, CA.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposal were received. Class E airspace designations for airspace 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 Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 establishes a Class E airspace area at Delano, CA. Additional controlled airspace was required for aircraft executing instrument operations at Delano Municipal Airport. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing IFR operations at Delano Municipal Airport, Delano, CA.

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