

Flexibility Act. A copy of the draft regulatory evaluation prepared for this action has been placed in the Rules Docket. A copy of it may be obtained by contacting the Rules Docket at the location provided under the caption ADDRESSES.

#### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39

Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Safety.

#### The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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 a new airworthiness directive (AD) to read as follows:

**Pilatus Aircraft Ltd.:** Docket No. 99-CE-54-AD.

**Applicability:** Models PC-12 and PC-12/45 airplanes, manufacturer serial number (MSN) 101 through MSN 300, 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 in the body of this AD, unless already accomplished.

To prevent the potential for the inboard flap attachment fittings buckling while operating at full flaps with full power into a head-on wind gust, which could result in loss of control of the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Within the next 100 hours time-in-service (TIS) after the effective date of this AD, modify the flap inboard attachment fittings by installing a reinforcement angle bracket on the inside of the center web of both flap inner attachment fittings (Modification Kit Number 500.50.12.199). Accomplish this modification in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions

section of Pilatus Service Bulletin No. 57-004, dated June 11, 1999.

(b) As of the effective date of this AD, no person may install on any of the affected airplanes, flap inboard attachment fittings that do not have Modification Kit Number 500.50.12.199 incorporated.

(c) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with §§ 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.

(d) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance times that provides an equivalent level of safety may be approved by the Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, 1201 Walnut, suite 900, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. The request shall be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Small Airplane Directorate.

**Note 2:** Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Small Airplane Directorate.

(e) Questions or technical information related to Pilatus Service Bulletin No: 57-004, dated June 11, 1999, should be directed to Pilatus Aircraft Ltd., Customer Liaison Manager, CH-6371 Stans, Switzerland; telephone: +41 41 619 63 19; facsimile: +41 41 610 33 51. This service information may be examined at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

**Note 3:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Swiss AD HB 99-353, dated July 12, 1999.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on August 6, 1999.

**Michael Gallagher,**

Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-AWP-14]

#### Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; St. Helena, CA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to establish a Class E airspace area at St. Helena, CA. The establishment of a Special Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) Copter 293 Point In Space approach serving St. Helena Fire Department Heliport has made this proposal necessary. Additional

controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain helicopters executing the Special Copter GPS 293 Point In Space approach to St. Helena Fire Department Heliport. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at St. Helena Fire Department Heliport, St. Helena, CA.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before September 16, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Attn: Manager, Airspace Branch, AWP-520, Docket No. 99-AWP-14, Air Traffic Division, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 6007, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Office of the Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division at the above address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Larry Tonish, Air Traffic Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AWP-520, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261, telephone (310) 725-6539.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Comments Invited

Interested parties are invited to participate in this proposed rulemaking by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Comments that provide the factual basis supporting the views and suggestions presented are particularly helpful in developing reasoned regulatory decisions on the proposal. Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, aeronautical, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the proposal. Communications should identify the airspace docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with the comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Airspace Docket 99-AWP-14." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter. All communications

received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this notice may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261, both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

#### Availability of NPRM

Any person may obtain a copy of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Airspace Branch, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261. Communications must identify the docket number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, which describes the application procedures.

#### The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 by establishing a Class E airspace area at St. Helena, CA. The establishment of a Special Copter GPS 293 Point In Space approach at St. Helena Fire Department Heliport has made this proposal necessary. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is needed to contain helicopters executing the Special Copter GPS 293 Point In Space approach to the St. Helena Fire Department Hospital Heliport. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for rotorcraft executing the Special Copter GPS 293 Point In Space approach to the St. Helena Fire Department Heliport, St. Helena, CA. Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9F dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in this Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed 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 proposed rule would 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).

#### The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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 the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9F, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, 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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##### AWP CA E5 ST Helena, CA [New]

ST Helena Fire Department Heliport Point In Space Coordinates

(Lat. 38°32'21"N, long. 122°29'35"W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface and within a 7-mile radius of a Point In Space serving the ST Helena Fire Department Heliport.

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Issued in Los Angeles, California, on August 2, 1999.

##### John Clancy,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-AWP-15]

#### Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Clearlake, CA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to establish a Class E airspace area at Clearlake, CA. The establishment of a Special Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) Copter 321 Point In Space approach serving Redbud Community Hospital Heliport has made this proposal necessary. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain helicopters executing the Special Copter GPS 321 Point In Space approach to Redbud Community Hospital Heliport. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Redbud Community Hospital Heliport, Clearlake, CA.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before September 16, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Attn: Manager, Airspace Branch, AWP-520, Docket No. 99-AWP-15, Air Traffic Division, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, CA 90261.

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