

additional controlled airspace ancillary to a surface area to protect instrument operations for the primary airport, without imposing additional communications burdens on airspace users. This action is necessary at Vandenberg AFB to provide controlled airspace for Category E aircraft conducting circling maneuvers in conjunction with published Standard Instrument Procedures. Generally, Category E aircraft are very large and/or high performance. These aircraft require additional airspace when conducting circling maneuvers.

On March 24, 2006, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking to revise Class E airspace at Vandenberg AFB, CA (71 FR 14830). Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal. No comments were received, therefore, this revision is the same as that proposed in the notice.

Class E5 airspace areas are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9N, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 15, 2005, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E5 airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

The FAA is amending Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by revising Class E airspace at Vandenberg AFB, CA. The FAA is taking this action to provide additional controlled airspace for Category E aircraft conducting circling maneuvers in conjunction with published Standard Instrument Procedures. This airspace change places aircraft in controlled airspace from final descent to runway and protects Category E aircraft while conducting a circling approach to land.

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 Department of Transportation 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, when promulgated, 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).

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 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 7400.9N, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 15, 2005, 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 Vandenberg AFB, CA [Revised]

Vandenberg AFB Airport
(Lat. 34°43'47" N, Long. 120°34'37" W).

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.8-mile radius of the Vandenberg AFB airport and within 1.8 miles each side of the Vandenberg AFB ILS localizer southeast course, extending from 7.8 miles to 10.3 miles southeast of the Vandenberg AFB airport, excluding the Vandenberg Class D airspace, the Santa Maria Class D airspace, the Lompoc Class E4 surface area airspace, and the Lompoc Class E 700 foot airspace.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2006-24686; Airspace Docket No. 06-ASO-7]

Establishment of Class E Airspace; Nicholasville, KY; Correction

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Correcting amendments.

SUMMARY: This document contains a correction to the final rule (FAA-2005-23075; 05-ASO-12), which was published in the **Federal Register** of February 28, 2006, (71 FR 9908), establishing Class E airspace at Nicholasville, KY. This action corrects an error in the geographic coordinates for the Class E5 airspace at Nicholasville, KY.

Effective Dates: 0901 UTC, August 3, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Federal Register Document 71-39, Airspace Docket No. FAA-2005-23075; Airspace Docket No. 05-ASO-12, published on February 28, 2006, (71 FR 9908), established Class E5 airspace at Nicholasville, KY. An error was discovered in the geographic coordinates describing the Class E5 airspace area. What should have been latitude 37°52'17" N, longitude, 84°36'38" W, was published as latitude 37°52'16" N, longitude. 84°36'39" W. This action corrects that error.

Designations for Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in FAA Order 7400.9N, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 16, 2005, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

Need for Correction

As published, the final rule contains an error which identifies an incorrect geographical position for the location of the Class E5 airspace area. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the geographic coordinates for the

Class E5 airspace area at Nicholasville, KY, incorporated by reference at § 71.1, 14 CFR 71.1, and published in the Federal Register on March 31, 2000, (65 FR 17133), is corrected by making the following correcting amendment.

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; 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 [Corrected]

■ 2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9N, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2005, and effective September 16, 2005, 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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ASO KY E5 Nicholasville, KY [Corrected]

Lucas Field Airport, KY
(Lat. 37°52'17"N, long. 84°36'38"W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5 - radius of Lucas Field Airport; excluding that airspace within the Lexington, KY, Class E airspace area.

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Issued in College Park, Georgia, on May 31, 2006.

Mark D. Ward,

Acting Area Director, Air Traffic Division, Southern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2005–22024; Airspace Docket No. 06–AAL–08]

RIN–2120–AA66

Modification of Offshore Airspace Area: Control 1487L; Alaska

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action modifies Control 1487L offshore airspace area in the vicinity of the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez Airport, Sitka, AK; Merle K. Mudhole Smith Airport, Cordova, AK; and Middleton Island Airport, Middleton Island, AK, by lowering the affected airspace floors associated within Control 1487L. The FAA is taking this action to provide additional controlled airspace for the safety of aircraft executing instrument flight rules (IFR) operations at the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez Airport, Merle K. Mudhole Smith Airport, and Middleton Island Airport.

DATES: *Effective Date:* 0901 UTC, August 3, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken McElroy, Airspace and Rules, Office of System Operations Airspace and AIM, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On April 6, 2006, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking to modify the Control 1487L offshore airspace area in Alaska (71 FR 17389). Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal. No comments were received.

Offshore Airspace Areas are published in paragraph 6007 of FAA Order 7400.9N dated September 1, 2005 and effective September 15, 2005, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Offshore Airspace Areas 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 modifying Control 1487L offshore airspace area, AK, by lowering the floor from 5,500 feet mean sea level (MSL) to as low as 700 feet MSL in the vicinity

of the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez Airport, Merle K. Mudhole Smith Airport and Middleton Island Airport. This action will provide offshore airspace in the vicinity of Merle K. Mudhole Smith Airport, AK, by lowering the offshore airspace floor from 5,500 feet MSL to 1,200 feet MSL. Additionally, this action will re-designate the existing Class E airspace at Anchorage, AK, by extending Control 1487L airspace area westward to the 12-mile shoreline limit within the 149.5-mile radius associated with Anchorage, AK, Class E airspace, and clarify offshore airspace descriptions within already established domestic Class E airspace at Anchorage and Cordova. This action will provide additional controlled airspace for the safety of aircraft executing IFR operations at the Sitka Rocky Gutierrez, Merle K. Mudhole Smith, and Middleton Island Airports, and will correctly designate the existing Class E airspace for Anchorage and Cordova, AK.

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

ICAO Considerations

As part of this rule relates to navigable airspace outside the United States, the notice of this action is submitted in accordance with the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) International Standards and Recommended Practices.

The application of International Standards and Recommended Practices by the FAA, Office of System Operations Airspace and AIM, Airspace & Rules, in areas outside the United States domestic airspace, is governed by the Convention on International Civil Aviation. Specifically, the FAA is governed by Article 12 and Annex 11, which pertain to the establishment of necessary air navigational facilities and services to promote the safe, orderly,