Interdiction Center, the 163rd Air Refueling Wing of the California Air National Guard, and the March Aero

On March 25, 1999, the FAA published an NPRM (64 FR 14410) that proposed to modify the Riverside, March Field, Class C airspace area. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received. Except for editorial changes, this amendment is the same as that proposed in the notice.

#### The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of The Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) revises the legal description of the Riverside, March AFB Class C airspace area located at Riverside, CA. The current legal description for the Riverside, March AFB Class C airspace area refers to an AFB that has been deactivated. This action is a technical amendment to the legal description and will not change the actual dimensions, configuration, or operating requirements of the Riverside, March AFB Class C airspace area.

The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class C airspace areas are published in paragraph 4000 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 C airspace area listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

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 proposed rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory 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;** 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 4000 Class C Airspace

## AWP CA C Riverside March Field, CA [Revised]

Riverside, March Field, CA (Lat. 33°52′50" N., long. 117°15′34" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 5,500 feet MSL within a 5-mile radius of March Field: and that airspace extending upward from 3,900 feet MSL to and including 5,500 feet MSL within the 10-mile radius of March Field from the centerline of V-16/V-370 east of the airport clockwise to the 216° bearing from the airport and that airspace extending upward from 2,900 feet MSL to but not including 3,900 feet MSL within 2 miles east and 1.5 miles west of the 150° bearing from the airport extending from the 5-mile radius to the 10-mile radius of the airport. This Class C airspace area is effective during the specific days and hours of operation of the March GCA facility as established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective dates and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

Issued in Washington, DC on August 25,

## Reginald C. Matthews,

Manager, Airspace and Rules Division. [FR Doc. 99-22609 Filed 8-30-99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910-13-P

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99-ACE-40]

## Amendment to Class E Airspace; Nevada, MO

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

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

comments.

**SUMMARY:** This action amends Class E airspace area at Nevada Municipal Airport, Nevada, MO. A review of the Class E airspace area for Nevada Municipal Âirport indicates it does not comply with the criteria for 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) airspace required for diverse departures as specified in FAA Order 7400.2D. The Class E airspace has been enlarged to conform to the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D.

In addition, the Nevada Non Directional Radio Beacon (NDB) and coordinates have been included in the text header and the legal description for Nevada Municipal Airport.

The intended effect of this rules to provide additional controlled Class E airspace for aircraft operating under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR), include reference to Nevada NDB, and comply with the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D.

DATES: Effective date: 0901 UTC, November 4, 1999.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before September 19, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the rule in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, ACE-520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket Number 99-ACE-40, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City. MO 64106.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional 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: This amendment to 14 CFR 71 revises the Class E airspace at Nevada, MO. A review of the Class E airspace for Nevada Municipal Airport, MO. indicates it does not meet the criteria for 700 feet AGL airspace required for diverse departures as specified in FAA Order 7400.2D. The criteria in FAA Order 7400.2D for an aircraft to reach 1200 feet AGL is based on a standard climb gradient of 200 feet per mile plus the distance from the Airport Reference Point (ARP) to the end of the outermost runway. Any fractional part of a mile is converted to the next higher tenth of a mile. The amendment at Nevada Municipal, MO, will provide additional controlled airspace for aircraft operating under IFR, include reference to the Nevada NDB, and comply with the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of the 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 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 action 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 designation 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 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 conforming the date on which the final rule will become effective. If the FAA does receive, within the comment period, an adverse or negative comments, 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 a 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 Rule 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. 99-ACE-40." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

## **Agency Findings**

The regulation 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 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 7400.9F, 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.

## ACE MO E5 Nevada, MO [Revised]

Nevada Municipal Airport, MO (Lat. 35°51′07" N., long. 94°18′18" W.) Nevada NDB

(Lat. 37°51'32" N., long. 95°18'10" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.6-mile radius of Nevada Municipal Airport and within 2.6 miles each side of the 036° bearing from the Nevada NDB, extending from the 616-mile radius to 7.5 miles northeast of the airport.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on August 11, 1999.

## Richard L. Day,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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