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 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E Airspace Areas Extending Upward from 700 feet or More Above the Surface of the Earth.

ASO NC E5 Oak Grove, NC [New]

Marine Corps Outlying Landing Facility Airport, NC

(Lat. 35°02′01″N, long. 77°14′59″W) That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.4-mile radius of Marine Corps Outlying Landing Facility Airport, excluding that airspace within the New Bern, NC, Class E airspace area.

Issued in College Park, Georgia, on August 21, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 73

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ACE-23]

Amendment of Time of Use for Restricted Areas R-4501A, B, C, D, and E, Fort Leonard Wood; MO

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to amend the times of use for Restricted Areas R-4501A, B, C, D, and E, Fort Leonard Wood, MO. Specifically, this action proposes to reduce and/or increase the published times and/or days the restricted areas are in use. The FAA is proposing this action in

response to the United States Army's (USA) increased training requirements. **DATES:** Comments must be received on or before October 16, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Air Traffic Division, ACE–500, Docket No. 00–ACE–23, Federal Aviation Administration, 601 East 12th Street, Federal Building, Kansas City, MO 64106. The official docket may be examined in the Rules Docket, Office of the Chief Counsel, Room 916, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington DC, weekdays, except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Regional Air Traffic Division.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William C. Nelson, Airspace and Rules Division, ATA–400, Office of Air Traffic Airspace Management, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783.

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 those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Airspace Docket No. 00– ACE-23." 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 action may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Rules Docket 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's

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the FAA regulations section of the Fedworld electronic bulletin board service (telephone: 703–321–3339) or the Federal Register's electronic bulletin board service (telephone: 202–512–1661) using a modem and suitable communications software.

Internet users may reach the FAA's web page at http://www.faa.gov or the Federal Register's web page at http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara for access to recently published rulemaking documents.

Any person may also obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the FAA, Office of Air Traffic Airspace Management, ATA–400, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267–8783. Communications must identify the docket number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should call the FAA, Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267–9677, to request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11–2A, which describes the application procedure.

Background

The Department of Defense in a continuing need to meet its added national defense responsibilities has increased its training requirements of the USA Reserve and National Guard resources in many areas of the United States. One of the locations where this training has been increased is at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. This increase in training requires modification of the times of use for R–4501 and its subdivisions. Therefore, the USA has requested that the FAA amend the times and days of use for R–4501A, B, C, D, and E.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to 14 CFR part 73 to modify the times of use of R–4501 and its subdivisions over Fort Leonard Wood, MO. Specifically, the FAA proposes to activate R–4501A thirty minutes earlier and deactivate it three hours later. Additionally, R–4501B would be activated on the same schedule but deactivated four hours later. The day schedule (Monday-Saturday) would remain unchanged.

Also, the FAĂ proposes to activate R– 4501C and D two hours later Monday– Friday and deactivate it three hours later than the current designation on Monday and two hours earlier Tuesday—Friday. Saturday would no longer be designated as an active day unless done so by NOTAM 24 hours in advance. In addition, the FAA proposes to activate R-4501E on the same schedule as R-4501C and D. The FAA is proposing this action at the request of the USA to meet the increasing training efforts of the USA at Fort Leonard Wood, MO, and to better depict more realistic operational times of use of the restricted areas.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 73

Airspace, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 73 as follows:

PART 73—SPECIAL USE AIRSPACE

1. The authority citation for part 73 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.

2. § 73.45 is amended as follows:

R-4501A Fort Leonard Wood West, MO [Amended]

By removing the words "Time of Designation. 0700–1800 Monday–Saturday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance." and inserting the words "Time of Designation. 0630–2100 Monday–Saturday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance."

R-4501B Fort Leonard Wood East, MO [Amended]

By removing the words "Time of Designation. 0700–1800 Monday–Saturday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance." and inserting the words "Time of Designation. 0630–2200 Monday–Saturday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance."

R-4501C Fort Leonard Wood, MO [Amended]

By removing the words "Time of Designation. 0700–1800 Monday–Saturday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance." and inserting the words "Time of Designation. 0900–2100 Monday; 0900–1600 Tuesday–Friday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance."

R–4501D Fort Leonard Wood, MO [Amended]

By removing the words "Time of Designation. 0700–1800 Monday–Saturday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance." and inserting the words "Time of Designation. 0900–2100 Monday; 0900–1600 Tuesday–Friday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance."

R-4501E Fort Leonard Wood, MO [Amended]

By removing the words "Time of Designation. As specified by NOTAM at least 24 hours in advance." and inserting the words "Time of Designation. 0900–2100 Monday; 0900–1600 Tuesday–Friday; other times by NOTAM issued at least 24 hours in advance."

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Issued in Washington, DC, on August 24, 2000.

Reginald C. Matthews,

Manager, Airspace and Rules Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

23 CFR Part 630

[FHWA Docket No. FHWA-2000-7426] RIN 2125-AE77

Federal-Aid Project Agreement

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM); request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA proposes to combine its regulation on Federal-aid project authorization and its regulation on project agreements. Section 1305 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) amended 23 U.S.C. 106(a) and combined authorization of work and execution of the project agreement for a Federal-aid project into a single action. Changes to the agreement provisions are being proposed to reflect these adjustments. Additionally, section 1304 of the TEA-21 amended 23 U.S.C. 102(b) to include a provision to allow the granting of time extensions for engineering cost reimbursement. Changes to the procedures would be added to agency regulations to provide this new flexibility.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before October 2, 2000. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand deliver comments to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Dockets Management Facility, Room PL-401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, or submit electronically at http://dmses.dot.gov/submit. All comments should include the docket number that appears in the heading of this document. All comments received will

be available for examination and copying at the above address from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. Those desiring notification of receipt of comments must include a self-addressed, stamped postcard or print the acknowledgment page that appears after submitting comments electronically.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jack Wasley, Office of Program Administration (HIPA), (202) 366–4658, or Mr. Harold Aikens, Office of the Chief Counsel (HCC–30), (202) 366–0791, Federal Highway Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590–0001. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access and Filing

You may submit or retrieve comments online through the Document Management System (DMS) at: http://dmses.dot.gov/submit. Acceptable formats include: MS Word (versions 95 to 97), MS Word for Mac (versions 6 to 8), Rich Text File (RTF), American Standard Code Information Interchange (ASCII)(TXT), Portable Document Format (PDF), and WordPerfect (versions 7 to 8). The DMS is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Electronic submission and retrieval help and guidelines are available under the help section of the web site.

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded by using a computer, modem and suitable communications software from the Government Printing Office's Electronic Bulletin Board Service at (202) 512–1661. Internet users may reach the Office of the Federal Register's home page at: http://www.nara.gov/fedreg and the Government Printing Office's web page at: http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara.

Background

Under the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 106, a formal agreement between the State transportation department (STD) and the FHWA is required for Federal-aid highway projects. This agreement, referred to as the "project agreement," is in essence a written contract between the State and the Federal Government defining the extent of the work to be undertaken, the State and the Federal shares of a project's cost, and commitments concerning maintenance of the project.

The present regulation at 23 CFR 630, subpart C, provides requirements concerning the project agreement. It