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### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2006-25943; Airspace Docket No. 06-ACE-13]

# Modification of Class E Airspace; Phillipsburg, KS

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Direct final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, part 71 (14 CFR 71) by modifying the Class E airspace area at Phillipsburg Municipal Airport, KS. An examination of controlled airspace for Phillipsburg, KS revealed discrepancies in the legal description for the Class E airspace area. The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled airspace of appropriate dimensions to protect aircraft executing Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAP) to Phillipsburg Municipal Airport, KS. **DATES:** This direct final rule is effective on 0901 UTC, May 10, 2007. Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before February 1, 2007. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under 1 CFR Part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on this proposal to the Docket Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room Plaza 401, 400 Seventh Street, NW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. You must identify the docket number FAA-2006-25943/ Airspace Docket No. 06–ACE–13, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments on the Internet at http://dms.dot.gov. You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The Docket Office (telephone 1-800-647-5527) is on the plaza level of the Department of Transportation NASSIF Building at the above address.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Grant Nichols, System Support, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329–2522

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This amendment to 14 CFR 71 modifies the Class E airspace area extending upward from 700 feet AGL (ES) at Phillipsburg Municipal Airport, KS. The radius of the Class E Airspace area extending upward from 700 feet above the surface of the earth is expanded from within a 6.5-mile radius to within a 7.6-mile radius of the airport. This modification brings the legal description of the Phillipsburg Municipal Airport, KS Class E5 airspace area into compliance with FAA Orders 7400.2F and 8260.19C. Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9P, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2006, and effective September 15, 2006, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document would 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 actions of this nature have not been controversial and have not resulted in adverse comments or objections. 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 confirming the date on which the final rule will become effective. If the FAA does receive, within the comment period, an adverse or negative comment, 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 proposed rulemaking may be published with a new comment period.

# **Comments Invited**

Interested parties are invited to participate in this 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 both docket numbers and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. Comments wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this notice must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. FAA-2006-25943/Airspace Docket No. 06-ACE-13". The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

# **Agency Findings**

The regulations adopted herein will not have a substantial direct effect 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, it is determined that this final rule does not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

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.

This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of the airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority since it contains aircraft executing instrument approach procedures to Phillipsburg Municipal Airport, KS.

### 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 7400.9P, dated September 1, 2006, and effective September 15, 2006, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

# ACE KS E5 Phillipsburg, KS

Phillipsburg Municipal Airport, KS (Lat. 39°44′09″ N., long. 99°19′02″ W.) Phillipsburg NDB

(Lat. 39°42′22″ N., long. 99°17′17″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.6-mile radius of Phillipsburg Municipal Airport and within 2.6 miles each side of the 143° bearing from the Phillipsburg NDB extending from the 7.6-mile radius to 7 miles southeast of the NDB.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# **Federal Aviation Administration**

### 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2006-24926; Airspace Docket No. 06-ASW-1]

RIN 2120-AA66

Establishment, Modification and Revocation of VOR Federal Airways; East Central United States

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

ACTION: Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action establishes 14 VOR Federal Airways (V–176, V–383, V–396, V–406, V–410, V–418, V–426, V–486, V–416, V–467, V–542, V–584, V–586, and V–609); modifies 12 VOR Federal Airways (V–14, V–26, V–40, V–

72, V-75, V-90, V-96, V-103, V-116, V–297, V–435, and V–526); and revokes one VOR Federal Airway (V-42) over the East Central United States in support of the Midwest Airspace Enhancement Plan (MASE). It should be noted that the FAA is withdrawing the proposal to establish VOR Federal Airway V–414 and delaying action to establish V-65 and modify V-133. Additionally, editorial changes are made to route numbers and the order of route elements for V-176, V-383, V-410, V-426, V-467, and V-486. The FAA is taking this action to enhance safety and to improve the efficient use of the navigable airspace assigned to the Chicago, Cleveland, and Indianapolis Air Route Traffic Control Centers (ARTCC).

**DATES:** Effective Date: 0901 UTC, March 15, 2007. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under 1 CFR part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steve Rohring, 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 June 16, 2006, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking to establish 16 VOR Federal Airways (V–65, V–176, V–383, V–396, V–406, V–410, V–414, V–416, V–418, V–426, V–467, V–486, V–542, V–584, V–586, and V–609); modify 13 VOR Federal Airways (V–14, V–26, V–40, V–72, V–75, V–90, V–96, V–103, V–116, V–133, V–297, V–435, and V–526); and revoke one VOR Federal Airway (V–42) (71 FR 34854).

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal. No comments were received objecting to the proposal.

Subsequent to the issuance of the notice, the FAA decided to withdraw the proposal to establish V–414 because further evaluation revealed that the route did not intersect United States airspace. Additionally, the FAA elected not to include the establishment V–65 and modification of V–133 in this action; these proposed airways will be addressed in a future final rule.

It should be noted that, due to format requirements, editorial changes were made to some of the route numbers and route descriptions listed in the notice of proposed rulemaking. Specifically, V–176 was renumbered as V–383 and V–383 was renumbered as V–176. Also, the order of route elements was reversed in the descriptions for V–383 (proposed as V–176), V–410, V–426, V–467, and V–486.

VOR Federal Airways are published in paragraph 6010 of FAA Order 7400.9P dated September 1, 2006, and effective September 15, 2006, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The VOR Federal Airways 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 to establish 14 VOR Federal Airways (V-176, V-383, V-396, V-406, V-410, V-418, V-426, V-486, V-416, V-467, V-542, V-584, V-586, and V-609); modify 12 VOR Federal Airways (V-14, V-26, V-40, V-72, V-75, V-90, V-96, V-103, V-116, V-297, V-435, and V-526); and revoke one VOR Federal Airway (V-42) over the East Central United States within the airspace assigned to the Chicago, Cleveland, and Indianapolis ARTCCs. This action enhances safety and facilitates the more flexible and efficient use of the navigable airspace. Further, this action enhances the management of aircraft operations within the Chicago, Cleveland, and Indianapolis ARTCCs' areas of responsibility.

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 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.

### **Environmental Review**

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environment Policy Act in accordance with 311a and 311b., FAA Order 1050.1E, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures". This airspace action is not expected to cause