

Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the Anvik Airport, Anvik, Alaska.

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. It, therefore—(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 rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA’s authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle 1, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency’s authority.

This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart 1, Section 40103, Sovereignty and use of airspace. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to ensure the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it creates Class E airspace sufficient in size to contain aircraft executing instrument procedures for the Anvik Airport and represents the FAA’s continuing effort to safely and efficiently use the navigable airspace.

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 Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9R, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 15, 2007, and effective September 15, 2007, is amended as follows:

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

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AAL AK E5 Anvik, AK [Revised]

Anvik, Anvik Airport, AK
(Lat. 62°38′48″ N., long. 160°11′26″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within an 8.0-mile radius of the Anvik Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of the Anvik Airport.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2007–0342; Airspace Docket No. 07–AAL–20]

Revision of Class E Airspace; Bettles, AK

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action revises Class E airspace at Bettles, AK to provide adequate controlled airspace to contain aircraft executing Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs). Two Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) are being developed for the Bettles Airport. Additionally, two SIAPs and a textual departure procedure (DP) are being amended. This action revises existing Class E airspace upward from the surface and from 700 feet (ft.) and 1,200 ft. above the surface at the Bettles Airport, Bettles, AK.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, June 5, 2008. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under title 1, Code of Federal Regulations, part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9

and publication of conforming amendments.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On Friday, February 1, 2008, the FAA proposed to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to revise Class E airspace upward from the surface and from 700 ft. above the surface and from 1,200 ft. above the surface at Bettles, AK (73 FR 6060). The action was proposed in order to create Class E airspace sufficient in size to contain aircraft while executing SIAPs for the Bettles Airport. Class E controlled airspace extending upward from the surface and from 700 ft. above the surface and from 1,200 ft. above the surface, in the Bettles Airport area is revised by this action.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received. The rule is adopted as proposed.

The area will be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. The Class E airspace areas designated as surface areas are published in paragraph 6002 of FAA Order 7400.9R, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 15, 2007, and effective September 15, 2007, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1,200 ft. transition areas are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9R, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 15, 2007, and effective September 15, 2007, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 revises Class E airspace at the Bettles Airport, Alaska. This Class E airspace is revised to accommodate aircraft executing new and amended DPs and SIAPs, and will be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The intended effect of this rule is to provide adequate controlled airspace for

Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the Bettles Airport, Bettles, Alaska.

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. It, therefore—(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 rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

The FAA’s authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle 1, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency’s authority.

This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart 1, Section 40103, Sovereignty and use of airspace. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to ensure the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it creates Class E airspace sufficient in size to contain aircraft executing instrument procedures for the Bettles Airport and represents the FAA’s continuing effort to safely and efficiently use the navigable airspace.

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§ 71.1 [Amended]

■ 2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9R, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 15, 2007, and effective September 15, 2007, is amended as follows:

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Paragraph 6002 Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Areas.

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AAL AK E2 Bettles, AK [Revised]

Bettles Airport, AK
(Lat. 66°54′50″ N., long. 151°31′44″ W.)

Within a 5.7-mile radius of the Bettles Airport. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Supplement Alaska Airport/Facility Directory.

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

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AAL AK E5 Bettles, AK [Revised]

Bettles Airport, AK
(Lat. 66°54′50″ N., long. 151°31′44″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within an 8.2-mile radius of the Bettles Airport, and within 3.9 miles either side of the 212° bearing from the Bettles Airport, extending from the 8.2-mile radius to 11.3 miles southwest of the Bettles Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 72-mile radius of the Bettles Airport.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2007–28161; Airspace Docket No. 07–ASO–6]

RIN 2120–AA66

Establishment of Low Altitude Area Navigation Route T–209; GA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action establishes a low altitude Global Positioning System

(GPS)/Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) area navigation route, designated T–209, in the vicinity of Augusta, GA. This route allows for more effective utilization of airspace and enhances the management of aircraft operations in the vicinity of Augusta, GA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, June 5, 2008. 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: Paul Gallant, Airspace and Rules Group, Office of System Operations Airspace and AIM, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 22, 2007, the FAA published in the **Federal Register** a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to establish T–209 in the vicinity of Augusta, GA (72 FR 28630). The purpose of the route is to provide a more direct route for north and southbound traffic west of Augusta, GA, and establish a published route to assist pilots navigating around the Bulldog A Military Operations Area (MOA). Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal. Comments were received from the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) and the U.S. Air Force (USAF).

AOPA wrote in support of the proposal. The USAF expressed concerns about the impact of the route on current use of the Bulldog B Military Operations Area (MOA), and the potential impact of the route on a special use airspace proposal previously submitted to, and now under review by, the FAA. Currently, there are two MOAs situated in the vicinity of the airspace through which T–209 passes. These existing MOAs are the Bulldog A MOA, which is located to the west of the T–209 airspace and extends from 500 feet above ground level up to but not including 10,000 feet MSL; and the Bulldog B MOA, which extends from 10,000 feet MSL up to but not including 18,000 feet MSL. The Bulldog B MOA overlies Bulldog A and it also extends beyond the Bulldog A boundaries on the east and south sides. The FAA has determined that the new route will not disrupt current military flight training operations in the Bulldog MOAs. T–209