

determined by the Secretary, during the 5 marketing years immediately preceding the marketing year for which the determination is being made, excluding the year in which the average price was the highest and the year in which the average price was the lowest in such period, is greater or less than:

(II) The average price received by producers for burley tobacco on the United States auction markets, as determined by the Secretary, during the 5 marketing years immediately preceding the marketing year prior to the marketing year for which the determination is being made, excluding the year in which the average price was the highest and the year in which the average price was the lowest in such period; and

(B) 33.3 percent of the change, expressed as a cost per pound of tobacco, in the index of prices paid by the tobacco producers from January 1 to December 31 of the calendar year immediately preceding the year in which the determination is made.

The difference between the two 5-year averages (i.e., the difference between (A) (I) and (II)) is 1.8 cents per pound. The difference in the cost index from January 1 to December 31, 1995, is 1.8 cents per pound. Applying these components to the price support formula (1.8 cents per pound, two-thirds weight; 1.8 cents per pound, one-third weight) results in a weighted total of 1.8 cents per pound. As indicated, section 106 provides that the Secretary may, on the basis of supply and demand conditions, limit the change in the price support level to no less than 65 percent of that amount. In order to remain competitive in foreign and domestic markets, the Secretary used his discretion to limit the increase to 65 percent of the maximum allowable increase. Accordingly, the 1996 crop of burley tobacco will be supported at 173.7 cents per pound, 1.2 cents higher than in 1995.

#### List of Subjects

##### 7 CFR Part 723

Acreage allotments, marketing quotas, penalties, reporting and recordkeeping requirements, tobacco.

##### 7 CFR Part 1464

Loan programs—agriculture, price support programs, tobacco, reporting and recordkeeping requirements, warehouses.

Accordingly, 7 CFR parts 723 and 1464 are amended as follows:

## PART 723—TOBACCO

1. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 723 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1301, 1311–1314, 1314–1, 1314b, 1314b-1, 1314b-2, 1314c, 1314d, 1314e, 1314f, 1314i, 1315, 1316, 1362, 1363, 1372–75, 1421, 1445–1, and 1445–2.

2. Section 723.112 is amended by adding paragraph (d) to read as follows:

### § 723.112 Burley (type 31) tobacco.

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(d) The 1996 crop national marketing quota is 633.8 million pounds.

## PART 1464—TOBACCO

3. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 1464 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1421, 1423, 1441, 1445, 1445–1 and 1445–2; 15 U.S.C. 714b and 714c.

4. Section 1464.19 is amended by adding paragraph (d) to read as follows:

### § 1464.19 Burley (type 31) tobacco.

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(d) The 1996 crop national price support level is 173.7 cents per pound.

Signed at Washington, DC, on September 17, 1996.

Bruce R. Weber,

*Administrator, Farm Service Agency and  
Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit  
Corporation.*

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## Food Safety and Inspection Service

### 9 CFR Parts 304, 308, 310, 320, 327, 381, 416, and 417

[Docket No. 93–016–4N]

#### International Meeting on Implementation

**AGENCY:** Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is holding a briefing, “International Meeting on Implementation,” to discuss with representatives of foreign countries how the final rule, “Pathogen Reduction; Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) Systems,” will be implemented in the United States.

**DATES:** The public hearing will be held on October 8, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The conference will be held at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Back

of the South Building Cafeteria (between the 2nd and 3rd Wings).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To register for the conference, call (703) 812–6299 for international calls; (800) 485–4429 for domestic calls; FAX (202) 501–7642, or E-mail usdafs/s=confer@mhs.attmail.com. If you require a sign language interpreter or other special accommodations, contact Ms. Shelia Johnson at (202) 501–7138 by October 1, 1996.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 25, 1996, FSIS published a final rule, “Pathogen Reduction; Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) Systems” (61 FR 38805). This rule introduced sweeping changes to the U.S. meat and poultry inspection system. FSIS is holding a series of meetings to discuss the implementation of the rule.

On October 8, 1996, FSIS officials will brief representatives of foreign countries on how the Agency will implement the “Pathogen Reduction/HACCP” final rule domestically. At the briefing, there will be presentations about Sanitation Standard Operating Procedures, *E. coli* verification testing, HACCP requirements, and *Salmonella* testing. After the presentations, FSIS officials will answer questions.

Done at Washington, DC, on September 18, 1996.

Michael R. Taylor,

*Acting Under Secretary for Food Safety.*

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### 9 CFR Parts 304, 308, 310, 320, 327, 381, 416, and 417

[Docket No. 93–016–5N]

#### Public Hearing on Criteria for Equivalence of Foreign Inspection Systems

**AGENCY:** Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) will hold a hearing, “Public Hearing on Criteria for Equivalence of Foreign Inspection Systems,” to discuss issues related to the equivalence of foreign inspection systems to the United States’ system. At the hearing, FSIS will provide material outlining the issues involved in determining the equivalence of foreign inspection systems. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss this material and present their own information and views related to the

equivalence of foreign inspection systems.

**DATES:** The public hearing will be held on October 9 and 10, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Registration and distribution of meeting materials will begin at 8:00 a.m. on October 9, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** The hearing will be held at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Back of the South Building Cafeteria (between the 2nd and 3rd Wings). Send an original and two copies of comments on equivalence issues to: FSIS Docket Clerk, DOCKET #93-016-5N, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Room 3806, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-3700.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To register for the hearing and obtain advance copies of reference material, call (703) 812-6299 for international calls; (800) 485-4429 for domestic calls; FAX (202) 501-7642, or E-mail usdafsis/s=confer@mhs.attmail.com. If you require a sign language interpreter or other special accommodations, contact Ms. Shelia Johnson at (202) 501-7138 by October 1, 1996.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 8, 1994, the President of the United States signed into law the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, PL 103-465 (108 Stat 4966). Among other things, this Act modified U.S. laws to ensure consistency with the new agreements. For example, the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act were modified so that foreign countries wishing to export meat and poultry products to the United States must have inspection system controls "equivalent to" those of the United States. To be consistent with the new language in the Acts, FSIS published a direct final rule on July 28, 1995, amending its regulations pertaining to foreign countries inspection systems by replacing the phrase "at least equal to" with the words "equivalent to" (60 FR 38667).

FSIS has been examining the application of "equivalence" as it relates to meat and poultry trade between countries. To gather information from the public relating to issues of equivalence, FSIS will hold a hearing, "Public Hearing on Criteria for Equivalence of Foreign Inspection Systems," on October 9 and 10. The hearing will focus on such issues as: the definition of "equivalence," risk assessment, features of systems used to determine equivalence, sanitary measures, Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) systems, microbiological standards, and

inspection activities carried out by parties other than Government officials. For hearing participants wishing to receive advanced copies of reference material to be made available at the hearing, see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

At the hearing, there will be an opportunity for participants to discuss the equivalence issues addressed in the reference material. Also, written comments may be submitted to the FSIS Docket Room (See **ADDRESSES**).

Done at Washington, DC, on September 20, 1996.

Michael R. Taylor,

*Acting Under Secretary for Food Safety.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 96-AWP-17]

#### Amendment of Class E Airspace; Prescott, AZ

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action amends the Class E airspace area at Prescott, AZ. The development of a Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runways (RWYs) 12/21L has made this action necessary. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Ernest A. Love Field, Prescott, AZ.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC December 5, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Buck, Airspace Specialist, Operations Branch, AWP-530, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725-6556.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**  
History

On July 29, 1996, the FAA proposed to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) by amending the Class E airspace area at Prescott, AZ (61 FR 39369). This action will provide adequate controlled airspace to accommodate a GPS SIAP to RWYs 12/21L at Ernest A. Love Field, Prescott, AZ.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposal were received. Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9D dated September 4, 1996, and effective September 16, 1996, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in this Order.

#### The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) amends the Class E airspace area at Prescott, AZ. The development of a GPS SIAP to RWYs 12/21L has made this action necessary. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing the GPS RWYs 12/21L SIAP at Ernest A. Love Field, Prescott, AZ.

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 regulation action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 10034; February 26, 1979); (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.

#### 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—[AMENDED]

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; 14 CFR 11.69.

#### § 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 4, 1996, and effective