direct disconnect is operating properly, in accordance with Airbus Service Bulletin A310–22–2047, dated July 16, 1996 (for Model A310 series airplanes), or Service Bulletin A300–22–6035, dated July 16, 1996 (for Model A300–600 series airplanes), as applicable. If any discrepancy is detected, prior to further flight, repair it in accordance with the applicable service bulletin. Repeat this test thereafter at intervals not to exceed 18 months.

(e) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Standardization Branch, ANM–113, FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Standardization Branch, ANM–113.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Standardization Branch, ANM-113.

(f) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on April 2, 1997.

Darrell M. Pederson,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 97–9016 Filed 4–8–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–U

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97-ANM-5]

Proposed Amendment of Class D Airspace; Idaho Falls, ID

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This proposed rule would amend the Idaho Falls, Idaho, Class D airspace. This action is necessary to facilitate Lifeflight helicopter operations at the Regional Medical Center. The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 15, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Operations Branch, ANM–530, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 97–ANM–5, 1601 Lind Avenue, S.W., Renton, Washington 98055–4056.

The official docket may be examined at the same address.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Riley, ANM-532.2, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 97–ANM-5, 1601 Lind Avenue S.W., Renton, Washington 98055–4056; telephone number: (206) 227–2537.

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 notice must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Airspace Docket No. 97-ANM-5." 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 notice may be changed in the light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination at the address listed above 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

Any person may obtain a copy of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Operations Branch, ANM–530, 1601 Lind Avenue S.W., Renton, Washington 98055–4056. Communications must identify the notice number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No.

11–2A, which describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to amend Class D airspace at Idaho Falls, Idaho, to facilitate Lifeflight helicopter operations at the Regional Medical Center. Presently, aircraft operating in the vicinity of the medical center are experiencing difficulty establishing communications with Idaho Falls air traffic control tower, when operational, or Salt Lake City Center during other hours. This amendment would exclude the airspace immediately surrounding that medical center from the Class D airspace thereby eliminating any communications requirements on aircraft operating to/from that location. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class D airspace areas extending upward from the surface of the earth are published in Paragraph 5000 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 D airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed 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, when promulgated, 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).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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 September 16, 1996, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 General.

ANM ID D Idaho Falls, ID [Revised]

Idaho Falls, Fanning Field, ID (Lat. 43°30′52"N, long. 112°04′13"W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 7,200 feet MSL within a 5.4-mile radius of Fanning Field excluding that airspace below 5,300 feet MSL within a 1-mile radius of lat. 43°28'16"N, long. 111°59′27″W; and excluding that airspace 1 mile either side of the 127° bearing from lat. 43°28′16"N, long. 111°59′27"W to the 5.4-mile radius of Fanning Field. This Class D 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 Airport/Facility Directory.

Issued in Seattle, Washington, on March 27, 1997.

Richard E. Prang,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Northwest Mountain Region. [FR Doc. 97-9137 Filed 4-8-97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910-13-M

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 96-ACE-25]

Proposed Alteration of Class E4 and E5 Airspace at Sioux City, IA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration [FAA], DOT. **ACTION:** Proposed rule; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: This action withdraws the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) which proposed to change the Class E4 and E5 airspace area at Sioux City, IA. The NPRM is being withdrawn because the airspace was previously published in the **Federal Register** August 6, 1996 (61 FR 40719), as Docket Number 96-ACE-11 and was effective January 30, 1997.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 9, 1997. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Randolph, Operations Branch, ACE-530C, Federal Aviation

Administration, 601 E. 12th St., Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone (816) 426-3408.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Proposed Rule

On January 27, 1997, a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking was published in the **Federal Register** to change the Class E4 and E5 airspace area at Sioux City, IA. The Class E4 and E5 airspace was published in the Federal Register, August 6, 1996 (61 FR 40719), as Docket Number 96-ACE-11 and was effective January 30, 1997.

Conclusion

In consideration of the aforementioned publication in the Federal Register, action is being taken to withdraw this proposed amendment as described in Docket Number 96-ACE-25.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Withdrawal of Proposed Rule

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, Airspace Docket Number 96–ACE–25, as published in the **Federal Register** on January 27, 1997 (62 FR 3786), is hereby withdrawn.

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 40103, 40113, 40120: E. O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 14 CFR 11.69.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on March 4,

Christopher R. Blum,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division Central Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 96-ASW-31]

Proposed Realignment of VOR Federal Airways in the vicinity of Helena, AR

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to realign four Federal airways located in the Helena, AR, area. This proposed realignment is scheduled to coincide with the activation of the Marvell, AR, Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range/Distance Measuring Equipment (VOR/DME) navigational aid (NAVAID)

currently under construction. The proposed realignment of airspace and activation of the Marvell NAVAID would reroute aircraft operations around the Memphis International Airport Class B airspace area. Additionally, the Marvell VOR/DME would be used as a feeder fix into Memphis, TN, and having these airways intersect at Marvell would enhance aircraft routing and handling. The proposed action would aid flight planning, reduce en route and terminal delays, and enhance the management of air traffic operations in the Memphis, TN, Class B airspace area.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 27, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Air Traffic Division, ASW-500, Docket No. 96-ASW-31, Federal Aviation Administration, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76193-0500.

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:

Steve Brown, 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 notice must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Airspace Docket No. 96-