The Rule

This amendment to Part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) amends Class D and Class E4 airspace at Gainesville, FL.

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body ot 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.

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; EO 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 Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9H, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

ASO FL D Gainesville, FL [Revised]

Gainesville Regional Airport, FL (Lat. 29°41′24″ N, long. 82°16′18″ W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,700 feet MSL within a 4.3-mile radius of the Gainesville Regional Airport. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific days and times established in advance by a Notice to

Airmen. The effective days and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

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Paragraph 6004 Class E4 Airspace Areas Designated as an Extension to a Class D Airspace Area

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ASO FL E4 Gainesville, FL [Revised]

Gainesville Regional Airport, FL (Lat. 29°41′24″ N, long. 82°16′18″ W) Gators VORTAC

(Lat. 29°34′20" N, long. 82°21′45" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 2.4 miles each side of the Gators VORTAC 041° radial, extending from the 4.3-mile radius of Gainesville Regional Airport to 7 miles northeast of the VORTAC. This Class E4 airspace area is effective during the specific days and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective days and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Airport/Facility Directory.

Issued in College Park, Georgia, on November 1, 2000.

Wade T. Carpenter,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Southern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 2000-ASW-19]

Revision of Class E Airspace; Atlanta, TX

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This amendment revises the Class E airspace at Atlanta, TX. The development of an Area Navigation (RNAV) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP), at Hall Miller Municipal Airport, Atlanta, TX, has made this rule necessary. This action is intended to provide adequate controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations to Hall Miller Municipal Airport, Atlanta, TX.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, March 22, 2001. Comments must be received on or before December 28, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the rule in triplicate to Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal

Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Docket No. 2000-ASW-19, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0520. The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Room 663, Fort Worth, TX, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Room 414, Fort Worth, TX.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald J. Day, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, Southwest Region, Federal Aviation Administration, Fort Worth, TX 76193–0520, telephone 817– 222–5593.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 revises the Class E airspace at Atlanta, TX. The development of a RNAV SIAP, at Hall Miller Municipal Airport, Atlanta, TX, has made this rule necessary. This action is intended to provide adequate controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface for IFR operations to Hall Miller Municipal Airport, Atlanta, TX.

Class E airspace designations are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9H, dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will 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. A substantial number of previous opportunities provided to the public to comment on substantially identical actions have resulted in negligible 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, or 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

Although this action is in the form of a final rule and was not preceded by a notice of proposed rulemaking, comments are invited on this rule. Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule by submitting such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the Rules Docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address specified under the caption ADDRESSES. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered, and this rule may be amended or withdrawn in light of the comments received. Factual information that supports the commenter's ideas and suggestions is extremely helpful in evaluating the effectiveness of this action and determining whether additional rulemaking action is needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. All comments will be available, both before and after the closing date for comments, in the Rules Docket for examination by interested persons. A report that summarizes each FAA-public contact concerned with the substance of this action will be filed in the Rules Docket.

Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments submitted in response to this rule must submit a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 2000–ASW–19." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

Agency Findings

The regulations adopted herein will not have substantial direct effects 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 will not have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

Further, the FAA has determined that this regulation is noncontroversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments and only involves an established body of technical regulations that require frequent and routine amendments to keep them operationally current. Therefore, I

certify that this regulation (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) 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. Since this rule involves routine matters that will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it does not warrant preparation of a Regulatory Flexibility Analysis because the anticipated impact is so minimal.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, 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; AIRWAY; 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 the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9H, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, is amended as follows:

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

ASW TX E5 Atlanta, TX [Revised]

Atlanta, Hall Miller Municipal Airport, TX (Lat. 33°06′06″ N., long. 94°11′43″ W.) Atlanta NDB

(Lat. 33°06′13" N., long. 94°11′26" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of Hall Miller Municipal Airport and within 2.5 miles each side of the 237° bearing of the Atlanta NDB extending from the 6.5-mile radius to 7.2 miles southwest of the airport.

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Issued in Fort Worth, TX, on November 2, 2000

Robert N. Stevens.

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Southwest Region. [FR Doc. 00–28992 Filed 11–9–00; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ASO-38]

Amendment of Class E3 Airspace; Tallahassee, FL, and Class E4 Airspace; Dothan, AL; Vero Beach, FL; Athens, GA; Columbus Lawson AAF, GA; Meridian/Key Field, MS; Meridian NAS-McCain Field, MS; and Florence, SC

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E3 airspace at Tallahassee, FL, and Class E4 airspace at Dothan, AL; Vero Beach, FL; Athens, GA; Columbus Lawson AAF, GA; Meridian/Key Field, MS; and Florence, SC, from continuous to part time, as the air traffic control towers at these locations are now part time.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, January 25, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

The air traffic control towers at Tallahassee Regional Airport, FL; Dothan Regional Airport, AL; Vero Beach Municipal Airport, FL; Athens/ Ben Epps Airport, GA; Columbus Lawson AAF, GA; Meridian/Key Field, MS; and Florence, SC, no longer operate continuously. Therefore, the Class E3 airspace at Tallahassee, FL, and the Class E4 airspace at Dothan, AL; Vero Beach, FL; Athens, GA; Columbus Lawson AAF, GA; Meridian/Key Field, MS; and Florence, SC, must be amended from continuous to part time. This rule will become effective on the date specified in the **EFFECTIVE DATE** section. Since this action eliminates the impact of controlled airspace on users of the airspace in the vicinity of the Airports during the hours the control towers are closed, notice and public procedure under 5 U.S.C. 553(b) are unnecessary.