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 revise Class E airspace at Nuigsut, AK, due to the modification of the GPS approaches to RWY 4 and RWY 22. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. The Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1200 foot transition areas 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 (61 FR 48403; September 13, 1996). The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order. The FAA has determined that these proposed regulations only involve 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. 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 14 CFR

# §71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 4, 1996, and effective September 16, 1996, 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 Nuiqsut, AK [Revised]

Nuiqsut Airport, AK

(Lat. 70°12′36″ N, long. 151°00′20″ W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of the Nuiqsut Airport, and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface 5 miles north and 8 miles south of the 249° bearing from the airport to 29 miles southwest.

Issued in Anchorage, AK, on January 15, 1997.

Willis C. Nelson,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Alaskan Region.

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# 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 96-AAL-26]

# Proposed Establishment of Class E Airspace; Kake, AK

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This action establishes Class E airspace at Kake, AK. The development of Global Positioning System (GPS) and non-directional beacon (NDB) instrument approaches to runway (RWY) 10 have made this action necessary. This action will change the airport status from Visual Flight Rules (VFR) to Instrument Flight Rules (IFR). The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for IFR operations at Kake, AK.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before March 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, System Management Branch, AAL–530, Docket No. 96–AAL–26, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513–7587.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel for the Alaskan Region at the same address.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours

in the Office of the Manager, System Management Branch, Air Traffic Division, at the address shown above.

## 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– AAL-26." 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 light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the System Management Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK, 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 System Management Branch, AAL–530, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513–7587. 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 establish Class E airspace for GPS and

NDB instrument approach procedures at Kake, AK. The status of Kake Airport will change from VFR to IFR. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. The Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1200 foot transition areas 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 (61 FR 48403; September 13, 1996). The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

The FAA has determined that these proposed regulations only involve 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

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2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 4, 1996, and effective September 16, 1996, 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 Kake, AK [New]

Kake Airport

(Lat. 56°57′41″ N; long. 133°54′37″ W) Kake NDB/DME

(Lat.  $56^{\circ}57'50''$  N; long.  $133^{\circ}54'43''$  W) Sumner Strait NDB

(Lat. 56°27′53" N; long. 133°05′50" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of the Kake Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within 6 miles north and 9 miles south of the 286° bearing from the Kake NDB/DME extending from the NDB/DME to 22 miles west of the airport and within 4 miles each side of the 138° bearing from the Kake NDB/DME extending from the 6.5-mile radius to Sumner Strait NDB.

Issued in Anchorage, AK, on January 15, 1997.

Willis C. Nelson,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Alaskan Region.

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## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

# 20 CFR Part 416

[Regulations No. 16]

RIN 0960-AD86

Deeming in the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Program When an Ineligible Spouse or Parent Is Absent From the Household Due Solely to Active Military Service

**AGENCY:** Social Security Administration. **ACTION:** Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: We are proposing to add a rule on how the income and resources of ineligible spouses or parents affect the eligibility and benefit amounts of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) claimants and recipients when those spouses or parents are absent from their households due solely to a duty assignment as a member of the Armed Forces on active duty. We are proposing to add this rule because the current rules do not reflect the provision of the Social Security Act (the Act), as amended by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (OBRA 1993), that addresses this situation.

**DATES:** To be sure that your comments are considered, we must receive them no later than March 25, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be submitted in writing to the

Commissioner of Social Security, P.O. Box 1585, Baltimore, MD 21235; sent by telefax to (410) 966–2830; sent by E-mail to "regulations@ssa.gov"; or, delivered to the Division of Regulations and Rulings, Social Security Administration, 3–B–1 Operations Building, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on regular business days. Comments may be inspected during these same hours by making arrangements with the contact person shown below.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel T. Bridgewater, Legal Assistant, Division of Regulations and Rulings, Social Security Administration, 6401 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21235, (410) 965–3298 for information about this rule.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations at 20 CFR 416.1167(a) state that a "temporary" absence, for SSI deeming purposes, occurs when an SSI claimant/recipient, an ineligible spouse or parent, or an ineligible child leaves the household but intends to, and does, return in the same month or the month immediately following. If the absence is temporary, we continue to consider the person a member of the household for deeming purposes.

Under our policy prior to October 1, 1993, an ineligible spouse or parent who was absent from an SSI claimant's or recipient's household for any reason, including active duty military service, and whose absence was not temporary (20 CFR 416.1167(a)), was not considered to be a member of the household for deeming purposes effective with the first day of the month following the month the spouse or parent left the household.

Section 13733(a) of OBRA 1993 (Public Law 103–66) changed SSI policy, effective October 1, 1993, on the treatment of ineligible spouses and parents who are absent from deeming households solely because of active duty military assignments. Under this legislation, which added paragraph (4) to section 1614(f) of the Act, the service member continues to be considered a member of the household, absent evidence to the contrary, for income and resources deeming purposes. Current regulations do not specifically address this situation.

The change in the deeming rules made by section 13733(a) of Public Law 103–66 was intended to prevent an absent deemor's active military service from adversely affecting an SSI claimant's or recipient's benefits. Prior to the change in the deeming rules, and