

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) as follows:

PART 71—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 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 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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AGL WI E5 Phillips, WI [Revised]

Price County Airport, WI

(Lat. 45°42'32"N, long. 90°24'09"W)

Phillips NDB

(Lat. 45°42'12"N, long. 90°24'42"W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.6-mile radius of the Price County Airport, and within 1.9 miles each side of the 227° bearing from the Phillips NDB extending from the 6.6-mile radius to 7 miles southwest of the airport, and within 1.9 miles each side of the 060° bearing from the Phillips NDB extending from the 6.6-mile radius to 7 miles northeast of the airport.

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Maureen Woods,

Manager, Air Traffic Division.

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14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97–AGL–5]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Detroit, MI, Romeo Airport

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to modify Class E airspace at Detroit, MI. A Global Positioning System (GPS) standard instrument approach

procedure (SIAP) to Runway 36 has been developed for Romeo Airport. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet above ground level (AGL) is needed to contain aircraft executing the approach. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide segregation of aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from other aircraft operating in visual weather conditions.

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

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, AGL–7, Rules Docket No. 97–AGL–5, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the Air Traffic Division, Operations Branch, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John A. Clayborn, Air Traffic Division, Operations Branch, AGL–530, Federal Aviation Administration, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018, telephone (847) 294–7568.

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–AGL–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 light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Rules Docket, FAA, Great Lakes Region, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois, 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 the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Public Affairs, Attention: Public Inquiry Center, APA–230, 800 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267–3484. 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 modify Class E airspace at Detroit, MI; this proposal would provide adequate Class E airspace for operators executing the GPS Runway 36 SIAP at Romeo Airport. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 to 1200 feet AGL is needed to contain aircraft executing the approach. The intended affect of this action is to provide segregation of aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from other aircraft operating in visual weather conditions. The area would be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts thereby enabling pilots to circumnavigate the area or otherwise comply with IFR procedures. Class E airspace designations for airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth 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 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. Therefore this, proposed 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) 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 proposed rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

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AGL MI E5 Detroit, MI [Revised]

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface bounded by a line beginning at lat. 43°00'00"N, long. 82°25'00"W; on the Canadian boundary to lat. 43°04'00"N, long. 82°30'00"W; to lat. 42°56'00"N, long. 83°00'00"W; to lat. 42°45'00"N, long. 83°50'00"W; to lat. 42°30'00"N, long. 83°50'00"W; to lat. 42°10'00"N, long. 84°00'00"W; to lat. 42°00'00"N, long. 83°30'00"W; thence east along the 42nd parallel to the Canadian boundary, thence along the Canadian boundary to point of beginning.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

18 CFR Part 153

[Docket No. RM97–1–000]

Applications for Authorization To Construct, Operate, or Modify Facilities Used for the Export or Import of Natural Gas

February 3, 1997.

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission is issuing a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) to amend the regulations codifying the Commission's responsibilities under the Natural Gas Act and Executive Order 10485, as amended. The Commission proposes to update its regulations governing the filing of applications for the siting, construction, and operation of facilities for the import or export of natural gas under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act and the issuance and modification of Presidential Permits for the construction and operation of border facilities. The proposal is necessary to conform the Commission's regulations to the Commission's current responsibilities, as delegated by the Secretary of Energy.

DATES: Comments are due no later than April 11, 1997.

ADDRESSES: An original and 14 copies of written comments must be filed. All filings must refer to Docket No. RM97–1–000 and be addressed to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Albert J. Francese, Office of the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208–0736.

Richard W. Foley, Office of Pipeline Regulation, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426, (202) 208–2245.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to publishing the full text of this document in the Federal Register, the Commission also provides all interested persons an opportunity to inspect or copy the contents of this document during normal business hours in the Public Reference Room, Room 2A, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

The Commission Issuance Posting System (CIPS), an electronic bulletin board service, also provides access to the texts of formal documents issued by the Commission. CIPS is available at no charge to the user and may be accessed using a personal computer with a modem by dialing 202–208–1397 if dialing locally or 1–800–856–3920 if dialing long distance. To access CIPS, set your communications software to 19200, 14400, 12000, 9600, 7200, 4800, 2400, or 1200 bps, full duplex, no parity, 8 data bits, and 1 stop bit. The full text of this document will be available on CIPS in ASCII and Word Perfect 5.1 format. CIPS user assistance is available at 202–208–2474.

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Finally, the complete text on diskette in Word Perfect format may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, La Dorn Systems Corporation. La Dorn Systems Corporation is also located in the Public Reference Room at 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC, 20426.

I. Introduction

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) proposes to amend part 153 of its regulations governing the siting, construction, and operation of facilities for the import and export of natural gas between the United States and a foreign country. Part 153 has not been significantly revised since the Commission's predecessor, the Federal Power Commission (FPC), recodified its regulations in 1947.¹

The Commission intends to conform its filing requirements in part 153 to the Commission's current responsibilities as changed by intervening legislation and Department of Energy (DOE) delegation orders. The DOE delegation orders divide jurisdiction and authority over natural gas import and export issues between the Commission and DOE. Thus, the proposed revisions to part 153 implement the Commission's currently delegated responsibilities under section

¹ Order No. 141, 12 FR 8596 (December 19, 1947). The part 153 regulations originally became effective on July 11, 1938, in FPC Order Nos. 52 (section 3 authorizations) and 66 (Presidential Permits).