requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (c) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required within the next 4 calendar months after the effective date of this AD, unless already accomplished.

To prevent failure of the propeller shaft caused by an ineffective design, which could result in loss of glider propulsion during critical phases of flight, accomplish the following:

(a) Replace the propeller shaft, the bearings, and the front drive belt retaining rings with parts of improved design in accordance with paragraph 2 of the Instructions section of DG Flugzeugbau Technical Note No. 826/32, dated July 19, 1996, and WORKING INSTRUCTION No. 1 for TN 826/32, dated July, 1996.

(b) 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 glider to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(c) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an equivalent level of safety may be approved by the Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, FAA, 1201 Walnut, suite 900, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. The request shall be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Small Airplane Directorate.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Small Airplane Directorate.

(d) Questions or technical information related to DG Flugzeugbau Technical Note No. 826/32, dated July 19, 1996, and DG Flugzeugbau WORKING INSTRUCTION No. 1 for TN 826/32, dated July, 1996, should be directed to DG Flugzeugbau GmbH, P.O. Box 4120, 76625 Bruchsal, Germany; telephone: +49 7257–89–0; facsimile: +49 7257–8922. This service information may be examined at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

(e) The replacements required by this AD shall be done in accordance with DG Flugzeugbau Technical Note No. 826/32, dated July 19, 1996, and DG Flugzeugbau WORKING INSTRUCTION No. 1 for TN 826/ 32, dated July, 1996. This incorporation by reference was approved by the Director of the Federal Register in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies may be obtained from DG Flugzeugbau GmbH, P.O. Box 4120, 76625 Bruchsal, Germany. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri, or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW, suite 700, Washington, DC.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in German AD 96–243 DG-Flugzeugbau, dated August 29, 1996.

(f) This amendment becomes effective on September 26, 1998.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on August 4, 1998.

Michael Gallagher,

Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98–AWP–3]

Modification of Class E Airspace; Fortuna, CA

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

SUMMARY: This action modifies the Class E airspace area at Fortuna, CA. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing the Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (RWY) 29 at Rohnerville Airport. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Rohnerville Airport, Fortuna, CA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC October 8, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Tonish, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AWP–520, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725– 6539.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On July 13, 1998, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 by modifying the Class E airspace area at Fortuna, CA (63 FR 37510). Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is needed to contain aircraft executing the GPS RWY 29 SIAP at Rohnerville Airport. This action will provide adequate controlled airspace for IFR operations at Rohnerville Airport, Fortuna, CA.

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 for airspace extending from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9E dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, 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 Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 modifies the Class E airspace area at Fortuna, CA. The development of a GPS SIAP has made this action necessary. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing the GPS RWY 29 SIAP at Rohnerville Airport, Fortuna, CA.

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 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 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; 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; 14 CFR 11.69.

§71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, is amended as follows:

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

AWP CA E5 Fortuna, CA [Revised] Fortuna VORTAC

(lat 40°40′17″ N, long. 124°14′04″ W) Rohnerville Airport, CA

(lat 40°33'14" N, long. 124°07'57" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface and within a 6.5-mile radius of the Rohnerville Airport and within 1.8 miles each side of the Fortuna VORTAC 326° radial, extending from the VORTAC to 2 miles northwest of the VORTAC and within 1.8 miles northeast and 3.9 miles southwest of the Fortuna VORTAC 147° radial, extending from the Fortuna VORTAC to 3 miles southeast of the Fortuna VORTAC and within 2.2 miles southwest and 3 miles northeast of the 129° and 309° bearings from the Rohnerville Airport, extending from 6.5 miles northwest to 2.6 miles southeast of the airport and within 1.8 miles each side of the Fortuna VORTAC 034° radial, extending from the VORTAC to 9.6 miles northeast of the Fortuna VORTAC. That airspace extending upward from 1200 feet above the surface within 3.9 miles southeast and 8.7 miles northwest of the Fortuna VORTAC 229° radial, extending from the Fortuna VORTAC to 16.1 miles southwest of the Fortuna VORTAC and that airspace bounded by a line beginning at lat. 40°44'00" N, long. 124°33'00" W; to lat. 40°49'00" N, long. 124°30'00" W; to lat. 40°44'00" W, long. 124°30'00" W, thence to the point of beginning.

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Sherry Avery,

Acting Assistant Manager, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region. [FR Doc. 98–21603 Filed 8–11–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 96–AWP–26]

Establishment of Class E Airspace; Willits, CA

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

SUMMARY: This action establishes a Class E airspace area at Willits, CA. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing the Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (RWY) 16 and GPS RWY 34 SIAP at Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport, Willits, CA. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC October 8, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry Tonish, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AWP–520, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725– 6539.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On June 17, 1998, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 by establishing a Class E airspace area at Willits, CA (63 FR 33021). Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is needed to contain aircraft executing the GPS RWY 16 SIAP and GPS RWY 34 SIAP at Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport. This action will provide adequate controlled airspace for IFR operations at Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport, Willits, CA.

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 for airspace extending from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9E dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, 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 Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 establishes a Class E airspace area at Willits, CA. The development of a GPS SIAP has made this action necessary. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing the GPS RWY 16 SIAP and GPS RWY 34 SIAP at Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport, Willits, CA.

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 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; 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; 14 CFR 11.69.

§71.1. [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, 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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Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport, AZ (lat. 39°27′03″N, long. 123°22′12″W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.3-mile radius of the Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport and that airspace bounded by a line beginning at lat. 39°28′00″N, long. 123°30′15″W; lat. 39°44′30″N, long. 123°40′15″W; to lat. 39°49′45″W, long. 123°26′30″W; to lat. 39°32′11″N, long. 123°17′27″W, thence clockwise along the 6.3mile radius of the Ells Field-Willits Municipal Airport, to the point of beginning. * * * * * *

Issued in Los Angeles, California, on July 31, 1998.

Sherry Avery,

Acting Assistant Manager, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region. [FR Doc. 98–21608 Filed 8–11–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M