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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-49]

Proposed Amendment to Class D and Class E Airspace; St. Joseph, MO

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to amend the Class E airspace area at Rosecrans Memorial Airport, St. Joseph, MO. A review of the Class E airspace for Rosecrans Memorial Airport indicates it does not comply with the criteria for 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) airspace required for diverse departures as specified in FAA Order 7400.2D. The Class E airspace area has been enlarged to conform to the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D. A revision to the Airport Reference Point (ARP) coordinates is included in this document. The intended effect of this rule is to revise the ARP coordinates, comply with the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D, and provide additional controlled Class E airspace for aircraft operating under instrument flight rules (IFR). The area will be depicted on aeronautical charts to provide a reference for pilots operating under Visual Flight Rules (VFR).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 5, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, ACE-520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 98-ACE-49, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel for the Central Region at the same address between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the office of the Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, at the address listed above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-520C, Federal Aviation Administration, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone number: (816) 426-3408.

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, 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. 98-ACE-49." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter. All communications received on or before the 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 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 NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this 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, SW, 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 NPRMs should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, which described the procedures.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 to provide additional controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) at

Rosecrans Memorial Airport, St. Joseph, MO. A review of the Class E airspace for Rosecrans Memorial Airport, St. Joseph, MO, indicates it does not meet the criteria for 700 feet AGL airspace required for diverse departures as specified in FAA Order 7400.2D. The Class E airspace area has been enlarged to conform to the criteria in FAA Order 7400.2D. The criteria in FAA Order 7400.2D for an aircraft to reach 1200 feet AGL, is based on a standard climb gradient of 200 feet per mile, plus the distance from the Airport Reference Point (ARP) to the end of the outermost runway. Any fractional part of a mile is converted to the next higher tenth of a mile. The Class D and Class E surface areas are amended to indicate the new ARP coordinates. The amendment of Rosecrans Memorial Airport will meet the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D, revise the ARP coordinates, provide additional controlled airspace at and above 700 feet AGL, and thereby facilitate separation of aircraft operating under Instrument Flight Rules. The areas will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts thereby enabling pilots to circumnavigate the area or otherwise comply with IFR procedures. Class D airspace areas are published in paragraph 5000; Class E airspace areas designated as an extension to a Class D or Class E surface area are published in paragraph 6004; and 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 7400.9F, dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D and Class E airspace designations 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.

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 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 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 Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9F, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D airspace

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ACE MO D St. Joseph, MO [Revised]

Rosecrans Memorial Airport, MO
(Lat. 39°46'19" N., long. 94°54'35" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 3,300 feet MSL within a 4.2-mile radius of the Rosecrans Memorial Airport. 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.

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Paragraph 6004 Class E airspace areas designated as an extension to a Class D or Class E surface area

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ACE MO E4 St. Joseph, MO [Revised]

Rosecrans Memorial Airport, MO
(Lat. 39°46'19" N., long. 94°54'35" W.)

St. Joseph VORTAC
(Lat. 39°57'38" N., long. 94°55'31" W.)

TARIO LOM
(Lat. 39°40'33" N., long. 94°54'25" W.)

St. Joseph ILS
(Lat. 39°47'16" N., long. 94°54'25" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 1.8 miles each side of the St. Joseph ILS localizer south course extending from the 4.2-mile radius of Rosecrans Memorial Airport to the TARIO LOM and within 1.8 miles each side of the St. Joseph VORTAC 175° radial extending from the 4.2-mile radius of the airport to 5.8 miles north

of the airport. This Class E 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.

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

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ACE MO E5 St. Joseph, MO [Revised]

Rosecrans Memorial Airport, MO
(Lat. 39°46'19" N., long. 94°54'35" W.)

St. Joseph VORTAC
(Lat. 39°57'38" N., long. 94°55'31" W.)

TARIO LOM
(Lat. 39°40'33" N., long. 94°54'25" W.)

St. Joseph ILS
(Lat. 39°47'16" N., long. 94°54'25" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.8-mile radius of Rosecrans Memorial Airport and within 2.0 miles each side of the 175° radial of the St. Joseph VORTAC extending from the 6.8-mile radius to the VORTAC and within 4 miles east and 6 miles west of the St. Joseph ILS localizer south course, extending from the 6.8-mile radius to 10.5 miles south of the TARIO LOM.

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Christopher R. Blum,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

26 CFR Part 1

[REG–105170–97]

RIN 1545–AV14

Credit for Increasing Research Activities

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This document contains proposed regulations relating to the computation of the credit under section 41(c) and the definition of *qualified research* under section 41(d). The proposed regulations reflect changes to section 41 made by the Tax Reform Act of 1986, the Revenue Reconciliation Act of 1989, the Small Business Job Protection Act of 1996, and the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997. The proposed regulations also provide certain technical amendments to the regulations.

DATES: Written comments must be received no later than March 2, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Send submissions to: CC:DOM:CORP:R (REG–105170–97), room 5228, Internal Revenue Service, POB 7604, Ben Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Submissions may be hand delivered Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. to: CC:DOM:CORP:R (REG–105170–97), Courier's Desk, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC. Alternatively, taxpayers may submit comments electronically via the Internet by selecting the "Tax Regs" option of the IRS Home Page, or by submitting comments directly to the IRS Internet site at: <http://www.irs.ustreas.gov/prod/tax—regs/comments.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Concerning the proposed regulations, Lisa J. Shuman or Leslie H. Finlow at (202)622–3120 (not a toll-free number); concerning submission of comments, the hearing, and/or to be placed on the building access list to attend the hearing, La Nita Van Dyke at (202)622–7190 (not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Paperwork Reduction Act

The collection of information contained in this notice of proposed rulemaking has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507(d)). Comments on the collection of information should be sent to the Office of Management and Budget, Attn: Desk Officer for the Department of the Treasury, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503, with copies to the Internal Revenue Service, Attn: IRS Reports Clearance Officer, OP:FS:FP, Washington, DC 20224. Comments on the collection of information should be received by March 2, 1999. Comments are specifically requested concerning:

Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the IRS, including whether the information will have practical utility;

The accuracy of the estimated burden associated with the proposed collection of information (see below);

How the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected may be enhanced;

How the burden of complying with the proposed collection of information may be minimized, including through the application of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and