used if approved by the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, International Branch, ANM–116.

Note 3: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the International Branch, ANM–116.

#### **Special Flight Permits**

(d) 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 airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

#### **Incorporation by Reference**

(e) Unless otherwise specified in this AD, the actions shall be done in accordance with Gulfstream 200 Service Bulletin 200-53-128, dated September 18, 2002, including a Service Reply Card. 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 Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation, P.O. Box 2206, Mail Station D25, Savannah, Georgia 31402. Copies may be inspected at the FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate, 1601 Lind Avenue, SW., Renton, Washington; or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol Street, NW., suite 700, Washington, DC.

**Note 4:** The subject of this AD is addressed in Israeli airworthiness directive 53–02–08–08, dated September 10, 2002.

#### **Effective Date**

(f) This amendment becomes effective on November 29, 2002.

Issued in Renton, Washington, on November 5, 2002.

#### Kalene C. Yanamura,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service. [FR Doc. 02–28613 Filed 11–12–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

## 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 02-ACE-11]

# Amendment to Class E Airspace; Ulysses, KS

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT. **ACTION:** Direct final rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, part 71 (14 CFR part 71) by revising Class E airspace at Ulysses, KS in order to

provide a safer Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) environment at Ulysses Āirport, Ulysses, KS. The FAA has developed Area Navigation (RNAV) Global Positioning System (GPS) Runway (RWY) 12, ORIGINAL Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP); RNAV (GPS) RWY 17, ORIGINAL SIAP; RNAV (GPS) RWY 30, ORIGINAL SIAP; RNAV (GPS) RWY 35, ORIGINAL SIAP; and Nondirectional Radio Beacon (NDB) RWY 12, Amendment 3 SIAP to serve Ulysses Airport, Ulysses, KS. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) is needed to accommodate the SIAPs.

The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled Class E airspace for aircraft executing an SIAP and to segregate aircraft using instrument approach procedures in instrument conditions from aircraft operating in visual conditions.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This direct final rule is effective on 0901 UTC, February 20, 2003.

Comments for inclusion in the Rules Docket must be received on or before December 19, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the rule in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, Air Traffic Division, ACE–520, DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket Number 02–ACE–11, 901 Locust, 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 a.m. and 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the Air Traffic Division at the same address listed above.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE–520C DOT Regional Headquarters Building, Federal Aviation Administration, 901 Locust, Kansas City, MO 64106; telephone: (816) 329–2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FAA has developed RNAV (GPS) RWY 12, 17, 30 and 35, ORIGINAL SIAPs and NDB RWY 12, Amendments 3 SIAP to serve Ulysses Airport, Ulysses, KS. The amendment to Class E airspace at Ulysses, KS will provide additional controlled airspace and at and above 700 feet AGL in order to contain the new SIAPs within controlled airspace, and thereby facilitate separation of aircraft operating under IFR. The area will be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts. Class E airspace

areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9K, dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, 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. Previous actions of this nature have not been controversial and have not resulted in adverse comments or objectives. The amendment will enhance safety for all flight operations by designating an area where VFR pilots may anticipate the presence of IFR aircraft at lower altitudes, especially during inclement weather conditions. A greater degree of safety is achieved by depicting the area on aeronautical charts. 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, an 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

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determining whether additional rulemaking action would be needed.

Comments are specifically invited on the overall regulatory, economic, environmental, and energy-related aspects of the rule that might suggest a need to modify the rule. All comments submitted 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. 02–ACE–11." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

## **Agency Findings**

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

The FAA has determined that this regulation is noncontroversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. For the reasons discussed in the preamble, I certify that this regulation (1) is not a "significant regulatory action" under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a "significant rule" under Department of Transportation (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.

## List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

## Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, 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 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 7400.9K Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 30, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, is amended as follows:

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

## ACE KS E5 Ulysses, KS [Revised]

Ulysses Airport, KS

(Lat. 37°36′14″N., long. 101°22′24″W.) Ulysses NDB

(Lat. 37°35′50"N., long. 101°22′05"W.)

That airspace extending upward toward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.8-mile radius of Ulysses Airport and within 1.0 mile each side of the 306° bearing from the Ulysses NDB extending from the 6.8-mile radius to 10.5 miles northwest of the airport.

Issued in Kansas City, MO, on October 28, 2002.

## Herman J. Lyons, Jr.,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region. [FR Doc. 02–28831 Filed 11–12–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4910–13–M

## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 01-AWP-15]

## Modification of Class E Airspace; Needles Airport, CA

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action modifies the Class E airspace area at Needles Airport, CA. The establishment of an Area Navigation (RNAV) Global Positioning System (GPS) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) RNAV (GPS) Runway (RWY) 29 SIAP to Needles Airport, Needles, CA has made action necessary. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing the RNAV (GPS) RWY 29 SIAP to Needles Airport. The intended effect of this action is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules operations at Needles Airport, Needles, CA. EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC January 23,

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC January 23 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeri Carson, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AWP–520, Air Traffic Division, Western-Pacific Region, Federal Aviation Administration, 15000 Aviation Boulevard, Lawndale, California 90261, telephone (310) 725–6611.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## History

On August 27, 2002, the FAA proposed to amend 14 CFR part 71 by modifying the Class E airspace area at Needles Airport, CA (67 FR 54977). Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface is needed to contain aircraft executing the RNAV (GPS) RWY 29 SIAP to Needles Airport. This action will provide adequate controlled airspace for aircraft executing the RNAV (GPS) RWY 29 SIAP to Needles Airport, Needles, 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 7400.9K, dated August 31, 2002, and effective September 16, 2002, 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 Needles Airport, CA. The establishment of a RNAV (GPS) RWY 29 SIAP to Needles Airport has made this action necessary. The effect of this action will provide adequate airspace for aircraft executing the RNAV (GPS) RWY 29 SIAP to Needles Airport, Needles, 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