Proposed Rules

This section of the Federal Register contains notices to the public of the proposed issuance of rules and regulations. The purpose of these notices is to give interested persons an opportunity to participate in the rule making prior to the adoption of the final rules.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

7 CFR Part 319

[Docket No. APHIS–2016–0022]

RIN 0579–AE29

Importation of Hass Avocados From Colombia

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening the comment period for a proposed rule to allow the importation of Hass avocados from Colombia into the continental United States. We are also notifying the public of the availability of a revised pest risk assessment and risk management document associated with the proposed rule. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on October 27, 2016 (81 FR 74722–74727, Docket No. APHIS–2016–0022) a proposed rule to authorize the importation of Hass avocados from Colombia to the continental United States. However, this PRA was not the latest iteration that had been prepared. Rather, a subsequent iteration found that growing conditions for Hass avocados in Colombia, as well as standard packinghouse practices used in Colombia to prepare Hass avocados for export for commercial distribution, effectively preclude pink hibiscus mealybug from following the pathway of Hass avocados from Colombia to the continental United States.

We are making the more recent version of the PRA available for public review and comment, as well as a revised version of the RMD that reflects this change. Because there were no pink hibiscus mealybug-specific provisions in the proposed rule, however, we do not consider it necessary to modify the provisions of the proposed rule.

Comments on the proposed rule were required to be received on or before December 27, 2016. We are reopening the comment period on Docket No. APHIS–2016–0022 for an additional 30 days. We will also consider all comments received between December 28, 2016, and the date of this notice. This action will allow interested persons additional time to review the new PRA and RMD, and prepare and submit comments.

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Kevin Shea, Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71


Proposed Amendment of Class E Airspace, Atlantic City, NJ

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to amend Class E airspace at Atlantic City, NJ, as Atlantic City Municipal/Bader Field has closed, requiring airspace reconfiguration at Atlantic City International Airport. Controlled airspace is necessary for the safety and management of instrument flight rules (IFR) operations Atlantic City International Airport.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 3, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Bldg., Ground Floor, Rm. W12–140, Washington, DC 20590; Telephone: 1–800–647–5527, or 202–366–9826. You must identify the Docket No. FAA–2016–9344; Airspace Docket No. 16–AEA–7, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit and review received comments through the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov. You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed...

FAA Order 7400.11, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, is published yearly and effective on September 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Fornut, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, P.O. Box 20636, Atlanta, Georgia 30320; telephone (404) 305–6364.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for This Rulemaking

The FAA’s authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, Section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency’s authority. This rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in Subtitle VII, Part A, Subpart I, Section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority as it would amend Class E airspace at Atlantic City International Airport, Atlantic City, NJ.

Comments Invited

Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule 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 both docket numbers and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. You may also submit comments through the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov.

Persons wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: “Comments to Docket No. FAA–2016–9344; Airspace Docket No. 16–AEA–7.” The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received 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 the comments received. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

Availability of NPRMs

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from and comments submitted through http://www.regulations.gov. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA’s Web page at http://www.regulations.gov. You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see the ADDRESSES section for address and phone number) between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An informal docket may also be examined between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays at the office of the Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 350, 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park, Georgia 30337.

Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016. FAA Order 7400.11A is publicly available as listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11A lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 71 to amend Class E airspace designated as an extension to Class C surface area, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface at Atlantic City International Airport, due to the closing of Atlantic City Municipal/Bader Field from the airspace description as the airport has closed, no longer requiring controlled airspace.

Class E airspace designations are published in Paragraph 6003 and 6005, respectively, of FAA Order 7400.11A, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016, 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.

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

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. 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 proposed 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.

Environmental Review

This proposal would be subject to an environmental analysis in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, “Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures” prior to any FAA final regulatory action.

Lists 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—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1 1. The authority citation for part 71 continues to read as follows:

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, effective September 15, 2016, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6003. Class E Airspace Designated as an Extension to a Class C Surface Area.

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AEA NJ E3 Atlantic City, NJ [Amended]
Atlantic City International Airport, NJ
(Lat. 39°27′27″ N., long. 74°34′36″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 2.7 miles either side of the Atlantic City VORTAC 303° radial extending from the 5-mile radius to 7.4 miles northwest of Atlantic City International Airport.

Paragraph 6005. Class E Airspace Area Extending Upward From 700 Feet or More Above the Surface of the Earth.

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AEA NJ E5 Atlantic City, NJ [Amended]
Atlantic City International Airport, NJ
(Lat. 39°27′27″ N., long. 74°34′38″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.2-mile radius of Atlantic City International Airport.

Issued in College Park, Georgia, on December 29, 2016.

Debra L. Hogan,
Acting Manager, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Air Traffic Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. Customs and Border Protection

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
19 CFR Part 133
[USCBP–2016–0076]

RIN 1515–AE21

Donations of Technology and Support Services To Enforce Intellectual Property Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This document proposes amendments to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) regulations pertaining to the enforcement of intellectual property rights. Specifically, CBP is proposing amendments to implement a section of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 which requires CBP to prescribe regulatory procedures for the donation of technologies, training, or other support services for the purpose of assisting CBP in intellectual property enforcement. The proposed regulations would enhance CBP’s intellectual property rights enforcement capabilities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 3, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number, by one of the following methods:


Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to http://www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided. For detailed instructions on submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the “Public Participation” heading of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this document.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to http://www.regulations.gov. Submitted comments may be inspected during regular business days between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Regulations and Rulings, Office of Trade, Customs and Border Protection, 90 K Street NE., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229–1177. Arrangements to inspect submitted comments should be made in advance by calling Mr. Joseph Clark at (202) 325–0118.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Participation

Interested persons are invited to participate in this rulemaking by submitting written data, views, or arguments on all aspects of the proposed rule. U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) also invites comments that relate to the economic, environmental, or federalism effects that might result from this proposed rulemaking. Comments that will provide the most assistance to CBP will reference a specific portion of the proposed rulemaking, explain the reason for any recommended change, and include data, information, or authority that supports such recommended change. See ADDRESSES above for information on how to submit comments.

Background

The Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 (TFTEA), Public Law 114–125, 130 Stat. 122 (19 U.S.C. 4301 note), enacted February 24, 2016, includes an assortment of trade facilitation and trade enforcement provisions, including several that focus on improving CBP’s intellectual property rights (IPR) enforcement at the border. Section 308(d) of the TFTEA requires the Commissioner of CBP to prescribe regulations that will enable CBP to receive donations of technologies, training, and other support services for the purpose of assisting CBP in detecting and identifying imports that infringe intellectual property rights.

In House Report 114–114, the House Ways and Means Committee stated that CBP should take steps to ensure that personnel dedicated to enforcement of IPR are effectively trained to detect and identify infringing imports. The Committee noted that much of the expertise in this area lies within the private sector, and that companies are most knowledgeable about their products and can provide valuable training to CBP on detection. H.R. 114–114 at 76.

Discussion of Proposed Amendments

New Subpart H to Part 133—Donations of Intellectual Property Rights Technology and Support Services

§ 133.61

This document proposes to implement section 308(d) of the TFTEA by promulgating a new subpart H to part 133 of title 19 of the Code of Federal Regulations, entitled “[D]onations of Intellectual Property Rights Technology and Support Services,” which would provide for the receipt and acceptance by CBP of donations of hardware, software, equipment, and similar technologies, as well as training and support services, for the purpose of assisting CBP in enforcing IPR. It is also proposed to add and reserve subpart G to part 133.