AAL AK E5 Barrow, AK [Amended]

Wiley Post/Will Rogers Memorial Airport, AK

(Lat. 71°17'06" N, long. 156°46'07" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.6-mile radius of the Wiley Post/Will Rogers Memorial Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of the Wiley Post/Will Rogers Memorial Airport, excluding that airspace extending beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Chevak, AK [Amended]

Chevak Airport, AK

(Lat. 61°32'27" N, long. 165°36'03" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.0-mile radius of Chevak Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of Chevak Airport, excluding that airspace extending beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Clarks Point, AK [Amended]

Clarks Point Airport, AK

(Lat. 58°00'01" N, long. 158°31'46" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.3-mile radius of Clarks Point Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of the Clarks Point Airport, excluding that airspace extending beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Elim, AK [Amended]

Elim Airport, AK

(Lat. 64°36'54" N, long. 162°16'14" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.8-mile radius of Elim Airport, and within 3.7 miles either side of the 015° bearing from the Elim Airport, extending from the 6.8-mile radius, to 12.6 miles north of Elim Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 74-mile radius of the Elim Airport, excluding that airspace extending beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Golovin, AK [Amended]

Golovin Airport, AK

(Lat. 64°33'02" N, long. 163°00'26" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.4-mile radius of Golovin Airport, and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 30-mile radius of lat. 64°43'47" N, long. 163°15'17" W and a 30-mile radius of lat. 64°17'52" N, long. 163°01'41" W, excluding that airspace extending beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.
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 Docket No. FAA–2017–0348; Airspace Docket No. 17–AAL–4”. 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 through the internet at http://www.regulations.gov. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA’s web page at http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/airspace_amendments/

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Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017. FAA Order 7400.11B is publicly available as listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11B lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by modifying Class E airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface at Nuiqsut Airport, Nuiqsut, AK; Ooguruk Island Heliport, Nuiqsut, AK; Pioneer Heliport, Nuiqsut, AK; Perryville Airport, Perryville, AK; Pilot Point Airport, Pilot Point, AK; and Point Lay Airport, Point Lay, AK. This action would add language to the legal descriptions of these airports that reads “excluding that airspace that extends beyond 12 miles from the shoreline.”

Also, this action would remove the airport name from the airspace designation for Ooguruk Island Heliport and Pioneer Heliport, to conform with recent change to FAA Order 7400.2L, Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.11B, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

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, and is non-controversial and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. 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 rule, when promulgated, would 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.

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, B, C, D, AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

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


§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E Airspace Areas (Above the Surface of the Earth).

AAL AK E5 Nuiqsut AK [Amended]

Nuiqsut Airport, AK (Lat. 70°12′35″ N, long. 151°00′23″ W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.4-mile radius of the Nuiqsut Airport, and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of Nuiqsut Airport, excluding that airspace which overlies Control 1485L, and excluding that airspace that extends beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Nuiqsut AK [Amended]

Ooguruk Island Heliport, AK (Lat. 70°29′44″ N, long. 150°15′12″ W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6-mile radius of Ooguruk Island Heliport, and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of Ooguruk Island Heliport, excluding that airspace that extends beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Perryville, AK [Amended]

Pioneer Heliport, AK (Lat. 70°24′51″ N, long. 150°01′07″ W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6-mile radius of Pioneer Heliport, and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 73-mile radius of Pioneer Heliport, excluding that airspace that extends beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.
AAL AK E5 Pilot Point, AK [Amended]
Pilot Point Airport, AK (Lat. 57°34′49″ N, long. 157°34′19″ W)
That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.3-mile radius of Pilot Point Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within an area bounded by lat. 57°51′00″ N, long. 157°05′00″ W, to lat. 57°51′00″ N, long. 158°03′00″ W, to lat. 57°24′45″ N, long. 158°03′00″ W, to lat. 57°24′45″ N, long. 157°50′00″ W, to lat. 57°50′00″ N, long. 158°03′00″ W, to the point of beginning, excluding that airspace that extends beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

AAL AK E5 Point Lay, AK [Amended]
Point Lay Airport, AK (Lat. 69°43′58″ N, long. 163°00′19″ W)
That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within an 8-mile radius of Point Lay Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within a 46-mile radius of the Point Lay Airport, excluding that airspace that extends beyond 12 miles of the shoreline.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before September 17, 2018.


FAA Order 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/. For further information, you can contact the Airspace Policy Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783. The Order is also available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of FAA Order 7400.11A at NARA, call (202) 741–6030, or go to https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Roberts, Federal Aviation Administration, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center, 2200 S 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198–6547; telephone (206) 231–2245.

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 extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface at Toksook Bay Airport, AK; Unalakleet Airport, AK; Wainwright Airport, AK; and Yakutat Airport, AK.

AAL AK E5 Toksook Bay, AK [Amended]
Toksook Bay Airport, AK (Lat. 69°43′58″ N, long. 157°34′19″ W)
That airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the shoreline 12 miles from the shoreline, and would ensure the safety and management of aircraft within the National Airspace System.

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.

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