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 by:

Amending Class D airspace at Choctaw NOLF, Milton, FL, by adjusting the geographic coordinates of the airport and the Santa Rosa TACAN navigation aid to be in concert with the FAA’s aeronautical database. This proposal also would make an editorial change replacing the city associated with the airport name in the airspace designation from Pensacola, to Milton, to comply with a recent change to FAA Order 7400.2L, Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters, dated October 12, 2017. Also, this action would replace the outdated term “Airport/Facility Directory” with the term “Chart Supplement” in the airspace legal description;

Establishing Class E surface area airspace at Choctaw NOLF, Milton, FL, for the safety of aircraft landing and departing the airport after the air traffic control tower closes; and

Amending Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Choctaw NOLF, Milton, FL, by adjusting the geographic coordinates of the airport to be in concert with the FAA’s aeronautical database. This proposal also would make an editorial change in the airspace designation from Choctaw Outlying Field, FL, to Milton, FL.

Class D and E airspace designations are published in Paragraphs 5000, 6002, and 6005, respectively 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 D and 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 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 will 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. 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 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

AsO FL E5 Milton, FL [Amended]
Choctaw NOLF, FL (Lat. 30°30’25” N, long. 86°57’35” W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within a 2.5-mile radius of Choctaw NOLF and within 1.5 miles each side of the Santa Rosa TACAN 188° radial, extending from the 2.5-mile radius to 10.5 miles south of the TACAN; excluding that airspace within Restricted Area R–2915A. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

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

ASo FL D Milton, FL [Amended]
Choctaw NOLF, FL (Lat. 30°30’25” N, long. 86°57’35” W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,600 feet MSL within a 2.5-mile radius of Choctaw NOLF and within 1.5 miles each side of the Santa Rosa TACAN 188° radial, extending from the 2.5-mile radius to 10.5 miles south of the TACAN; excluding that airspace within Restricted Area R–2915A. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

Paragraph 6002 Class E Surface Area Airspace.

AsO FL E2 Milton, FL [New]
Choctaw NOLF, FL (Lat. 30°30’25” N, long. 86°57’35” W)
The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to amend Class D airspace associated with New River MCAS, Jacksonville, NC. This proposal would establish Class D airspace up to and including 2,600 feet MSL within a 4.2-mile radius of Albert J. Ellis Airport, Jacksonville, NC, providing the controlled airspace required for IFR operations supporting the new air traffic control tower.

The geographic coordinates of New River MCAS also would be adjusted to coincide with the FAA’s aeronautical database.

Additionally, an editorial change would be made, removing the city associated with New River MCAS, in the airspace designation for Class D airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension, to comply with a recent change to FAA Order 7400.2L, Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters, dated October 12, 2017.

Finally, this action would make an editorial change in the legal description for the classes above replacing “Airport/Facility Directory” with “Chart Supplement”.

Class D and E airspace designations are published in Paragraphs 5000 and 6004, respectively, 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 D airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.
eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for further instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this proposed rulemaking, call or email Lieutenant Justin Heck, Sector Charleston Office of Waterways Management, Coast Guard; telephone (843) 740–3184, email Justin.C.Heck@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

| CFR | Code of Federal Regulations |
| DHS | Department of Homeland Security |
| E.O. | Executive order |
| FR | Federal Register |
| NPRM | Notice of proposed rulemaking |
| Pub. L. | Public Law |
| § | Section |
| COTP | Captain of the Port |

II. Background, Purpose, and Legal Basis

On January 11, 2018, the Coast Guard was notified by the City of Charleston about the Cooper River Bridge 10–K Run, which will be held on April 7, 2018, and will impact waters of the Cooper River and Town Creek Reaches in Charleston, South Carolina. The purpose of this proposed rule is to ensure the safety of the runners, the general public, and vessels on the navigable waters during the scheduled event.

The Coast Guard is requesting that interested parties provide comments within a shortened comment period of 15 days instead of a standard 30 days for this notice of proposed rulemaking. The Coast Guard believes a shortened comment period is necessary and reasonable because the safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of event participants, the general public, vessels and these navigable waters during the race. Any delay in making this final rule effective by allowing comments for more than 15 days would not be in the best interest of public safety.

The Coast Guard proposes this rulemaking under authority in 33 U.S.C. 1231.

III. Discussion of Proposed Rule

The Coast Guard proposes to establish a safety zone on the waters of the Cooper River and Town Creek Reaches in Charleston, South Carolina from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on April 7, 2018, during the Cooper River Bridge Run.

The duration of the zone is intended to ensure the safety of event participants,