

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 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

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

#### PART 71—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 14 CFR 11.69.

##### § 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated September 4, 1995, and effective September 16, 1996, is amended as follows:

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#### Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

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#### AAL AK D Bethel, AK [Revised]

Bethel Airport, AK  
(Lat. 60°46'47" N, long. 161°50'17" W)  
Bethel VORTAC  
(Lat. 60°47'05" N, long. 161°49'27" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,600 feet MSL within a 4.1-mile radius of the Bethel Airport, excluding that portion below 1,100 feet MSL between the 061° radial and the 081° radial from 2.9 miles northeast of the Bethel VORTAC. 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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AAL AK E4 Bethel, AK  
Bethel Airport, AK

(Lat. 60°46'47" N, long. 161°50'17" W)  
Bethel VORTAC  
(Lat. 60°47'05" N, long. 161°49'27" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 3 miles each side of the 022° radial from the Bethel VORTAC, extending from the 4.1-mile radius of the Bethel Airport to 8.2 miles northeast of the airport, within 3.4 miles each side of the Bethel VORTAC 006° radial, extending from the 4.1-mile radius of the Bethel Airport to 11 miles north of the Bethel VORTAC and within 3.5 miles each side of the Bethel VORTAC 213° radial extending from the 4.1-mile radius of the Bethel Airport to 10 miles southwest of the airport, excluding that portion below 1,100 feet MSL between the 061° radial and the 081° radial from 2.9 miles northeast of the Bethel VORTAC.

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#### 14 CFR Part 71

#### [Airspace Docket No. 96-AAL-15]

#### Revision of Class E Airspace; Bettles, AK

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action revises the Class E airspace at Bettles, AK. The FAA has developed a Global Positioning System (GPS) instrument approach procedure to Runway (RWY) 1 at Bettles, AK. This action is intended to provide adequate Class E airspace to contain instrument flight rule (IFR) operations for aircraft executing instrument approach procedures at Bettles, AK.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC, January 30, 1997.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Robert van Haastert, System Management Branch, AAL-538, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513-7587; telephone number (907) 271-5863.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### History

On July 18, 1996, a proposal to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to revise the Class E airspace at Bettles was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 37408). Revision of the Class E airspace is required for the IFR approach and departure procedures using GPS instrument approach

procedures at Bettles, Alaska. This action will provide adequate Class E airspace for IFR operations at Bettles, AK.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposals were received. However the proposal was published with incorrect mileage radius (4.1) which has been corrected to read '4.2'. The Federal Aviation Administration has determined that this change is editorial in nature and will not increase the scope of this rule. Except for the non-substantive changes just discussed, the rule is adopted as written.

The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class E airspace areas designated as airport surface areas are published in Paragraph 6002 of FAA Order 7400.9D, dated September 4, 1995, and effective September 16, 1996, which are incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 (58 FR 36298; July 6, 1993). The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

#### The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) revises the Class E airspace located at Bettles, AK, to provide controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL for aircraft executing GPS instrument landing and departing procedures to RWY 1.

The FAA has determined that these proposed regulations only involve 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 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).

**Adoption of the Amendment**

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

**PART 71—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 14 CFR 11.69.

**§ 71.1 [Amended]**

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated September 4, 1995, and effective September 16, 1996, is amended as follows:

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*Paragraph 6002 The Class E airspace areas listed below are designated as a surface area for an airport.*

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AAL AK E2 Bettles, AK

Bettles Airport, AK

(Lat. 66°54'55" N, long. 151°31'41" W)

Bettles VORTAC

(Lat. 66°54'18" N, long. 151°32'10" W)

Within a 4.2-mile radius of the Bettles Airport and within 4 miles west of the Bettles VORTAC 227° radial extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 12 miles southwest of the airport and within 4 miles each side of the Bettles VORTAC 212° radial extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 12 miles southwest of the airport and within 2.9 miles each side of the Bettles VORTAC 026° radial extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 7.4 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 Supplemental Alaska (Airport/Facility Directory).

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Willis C. Nelson,

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**14 CFR Part 71**

[Airspace Docket No. 96–AAL–3]

**Revision of Class E Airspace; Sand Point, AK**

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action revises the Class E airspace at Sand Point, AK. The FAA has developed a Global Positioning System (GPS) instrument approach procedure to RWY 31 and a Non-directional beacon (NDB) instrument approach procedure to RWY 13 at Sand Point, AK. This action is intended to provide adequate Class E airspace to contain instrument flight rule (IFR) operations for aircraft executing instrument approach procedures at Sand Point, AK.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 0901 UTC, January 30, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Robert van Haastert, System Management Branch, AAL–538, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513–7587; telephone number (907) 271–5863.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****History**

On July 2, 1996, a proposal to amend part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to revise the Class E airspace at Sand Point was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 34397). Revision of the Class E airspace is required for the IFR approach and departure procedures using GPS and NDB instrument approach procedures at Sand Point, Alaska. This action will provide adequate Class E airspace for IFR operations at Sand Point, AK.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments to the proposals were received. However the proposal was published with incorrect coordinates for Sand Point Airport which have been corrected to read: lat. 55°18'54" N, long. 160°31'04" W. The FAA has determined that these changes are editorial in nature and will not increase the scope of this rule. Except for the non-substantive changes just discussed, the rule is adopted as proposed.

The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1200 foot transition areas are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9D, dated September 4, 1995, and effective September 16, 1996, which are incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 (58 FR 36298; July 6, 1993). The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

**The Rule**

This amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) revises the Class E airspace located at Sand Point, AK, to provide controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL for aircraft executing instrument landing and departing procedures.

The FAA has determined that these proposed regulations only involve 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 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).

**Adoption of the Amendment**

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

**PART 71—[AMENDED]**

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389; 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 14 CFR 11.69.

**§ 71.1 [Amended]**

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated September 4, 1995, and effective September 16, 1996, is amended as follows:

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

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AAL AK E5 Sand Point, AK [Revised]

Sand Point Airport, AK

(Lat. 55°18'54" N, long. 160°31'04" W)

Borland NDB/DME

(Lat. 55°18'56" N, long. 160°31'06" W)

Sand Point MLS