An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the office of the Manager, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, at the address listed above.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Durham, ANM-520.7, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 00-ANM-17, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, Washington 98055-4056; telephone number: (425) 227-2527.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### 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. Communications should identify the airspace docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above.

Commenters 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 Airspace Docket No. 00-ANM-17." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this action may be changed in the light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination at the address listed above both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

# Availability of NPRM's

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Airspace Branch, ANM-520, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, Washington 98055-4056. Communications must identify the docket number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, which describes the application procedure.

### The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, part 71 (14 CFR part 71) by revising Class E airspace at Roosevelt, UT. Newly developed RNAV SIAP to RWY 25 at Roosevelt Airport has made this proposal necessary. Controlled airspace from 700 feet, and 1,200 feet, above the surface is required to contain aircraft executing the RNAV RWY 25 SIAP. The FAA establishes Class E airspace where necessary to contain aircraft transitioning between the terminal and en route environments. The intended effect of this proposal is designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. This proposal would promote safe flight operations under IFR at the Roosevelt Airport and between the terminal and en route transition stages.

The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. 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 7400.9H dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

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 11013; 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, 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).

# 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, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS: **AIRWAYS: ROUTES: AND REPORTING POINTS**

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR 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 the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9H, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, is amended as follows:

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

# ANM UT E5 Roosevelt, UT [Revised]

Roosevelt Municipal Airport, UT (Lat. 40°16′42″ N., long 110°03′05″ W.) Myton VORTAC

(Lat. 40°08'42" N., long 110°07'40" W.)

That airspace extending from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of the Roosevelt Municipal Airport and within 8 miles east and 5 miles west of the Myton VORTAC 024° and 154° radials extending from the 6.5-mile radius of the airport to 17 miles south of the VORTAC; that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface bounded by a line beginning at lat. 39°52′04″ N., long. 110°15′12″ W.; to lat. 40°27′47″ N., long. 110°16′01″ W.; to lat. 40°19′27″ N., long. 109°33′53″ W.; to lat. 40°03′27″ N., long. 109°24′49″ W.; to lat. 40°04′04″ N., long. 109°44′52" W.; to lat. 39°52′27" N., long. 109°44′36" W., to the point of beginning.

Issued in Seattle, Washington, on September 27, 2000.

### Daniel A. Boyle,

Assistant Manager, Air Traffic Division, Northwest Mountain Region.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

### 14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 00-ANM-21]

# **Proposed Modification of Class E** Airspace, Astoria, OR

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking

(NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to modify the Class E airspace at Astoria, OR. An operational need in support of military operations at the Oregon Air National Guard (ORANG) Camp Rilea Heliport has made this proposal necessary. A modification to the Astoria Class E surface area is required to allow less restrictive air operations to and from Camp Rilea Heliport. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Astoria Municipal Airport, Astoria, OR, and allow the ORANG to conduct air operations at Camp Rilea without impacting civil air traffic.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, ANM–520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 00–ANM–21, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, Washington 98055–4056.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel for the Northwest Mountain Region at the same address.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the office of the Manager, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, at the address listed above.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Durham, ANM-520.7, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 00-ANM-21, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, Washington 98055-4056: telephone number: (425) 227-2527.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **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. Communications should identify the airspace docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed above. Commenters 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 Airspace Docket No. 00-ANM-21." The postcard will be date. time stamped and returned to the

commenter. All communications received on or before the specified closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this action may be changed in the light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination at the address listed above both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

### Availability of NPRM's

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Airspace Branch, ANM–520, 1601 Lind Avenue SW, Renton, Washington 98055–4056. Communications must identify the docket number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11–2A, which describes the application procedure.

# The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, part 71 (14 CFR part 71) by modifying Class E airspace at Astoria, OR. An operational need in support of military operations at the Oregon Air National Guard (ORANG) Camp Rilea Heliport has made this proposal necessary. A revision to the Astoria Class E surface area is required to allow less restrictive air operations to and from Camp Rilea Heliport. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Astoria Municipal Airport, Astoria, OR, and allow the ORANG to conduct air operations at Camp Rilea without impacting civil air traffic. The FAA establishes Class E airspace where necessary to contain aircraft transitioning between the terminal and en route environments. The intended effect of this proposal is designed to provide for the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. This proposal would promote safe flight operations under IFR at the Astoria Municipal Airport and between the terminal and en route transition stages and permit military operations from Camp Rilea Heliport.

The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class E airspace areas designated as surface area for an airport are published

in Paragraph 6002, of FAA Order 7400.9H dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

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 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.

### List 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, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR 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 the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9H, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 2000, and effective September 16, 2000, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6002 Class E airspace areas designated as surface area for an airport.

# ANM OR E2 Astoria, OR [Revised]

Astoria, Port of Astoria Airport, OR
(Lat. 46°09′28″ N, long. 123°52′44″ W)
Astoria VOR/DME
(Lat. 46°09′42″ N, long. 123°52′50″ W)

Karpen NDB

(Lat. 46°08′22″ N, long. 123°35′14″ W) Astoria ILS Localizer

(Lat. 46°09′35″ N, long. 123°53′28″ W) Camp Rilea Heliport

(Lat. 46°06′59″ N, long. 123°55′54″ W)

Within a 4-mile radius of the Port of Astoria Airport, and within 1.8 miles each side of the Astoria VOR/DME 268° radial extending from the 4-mile radius to 7 miles west of the VOR/DME, and within 1.8 miles each side of the Astoria ILS localizer east course extending from the 4-mile radius to the Karpen NDB, excluding the airspace within a wedge south of Camp Rilea Heliport, from the 120 bearing clockwise to the 225 bearing of the Camp Rilea Heliport.

Issued in Seattle, Washington, on September 27, 2000.

### Daniel A. Boyle,

Assistant Manager, Air Traffic Division, Northwest Mountain Region.

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### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

27 CFR Part 9

[Notice No. 904]

RIN 1512-AA07

### West Elks Viticultural Area

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF) is requesting comments concerning the proposed establishment of a viticultural area to be known as "West Elks," located in Delta County, Colorado. This notice responds to a petition filed on behalf of several grape growers and winery owners in the area.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received by December 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Chief, Regulations Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, P.O. Box 50221, Washington, DC 20091–0221 (Attention: Notice No. 904). See "Public Participation" section of this notice if you want to comment by facsimile or email.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa M. Gesser, Regulations Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, 650 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20226 (202–927–9347).

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# 1. Background on Viticultural Areas

What Is ATF's Authority To Establish a Viticultural Area?

On August 23, 1978, ATF published Treasury Decision ATF–53 (43 FR 37672, 54624). This decision revised the regulations in 27 CFR part 4, Labeling and Advertising of Wine, to allow the establishment of definitive viticultural areas. The regulations allow the name of an approved viticultural area to be used as an appellation of origin in the labeling and advertising of wine.

On October 2, 1979, ATF published Treasury Decision ATF–60 (44 FR 56692) which added a new part 9 to 27 CFR, American Viticultural Areas, for providing the listing of approved American viticultural areas, the names of which may be used as appellations of origin.

What Is the Definition of an American Viticultural Area?

Section 4.25a(e)(1), title 27, CFR, defines an American viticultural area as a delimited grape-growing region distinguishable by geographical features. Viticultural features such as soil, climate, elevation, topography, etc., distinguish it from surrounding areas.

What Is Required To Establish a Viticultural Area?

Any interested person may petition ATF to establish a grape-growing region as a viticultural area. The petition should include:

- Evidence that the name of the proposed viticultural area is locally and/or nationally known as referring to the area specified in the petition;
- Historical or current evidence that the boundaries of the viticultural area are as specified in the petition;
- Evidence relating to the geographical features (climate, soil, elevation, physical features, etc.) which distinguish the viticultural features of the proposed area from surrounding areas:
- A description of the specific boundaries of the viticultural area, based on features which can be found on United States Geological Survey (U.S.G.S.) maps of the largest applicable scale; and
- A copy of the appropriate U.S.G.S. map(s) with the boundaries prominently marked.

# 2. West Elks Petition

ATF has received a petition from Barbara E. Heck proposing to establish a viticultural area in Delta County, Colorado, known as "West Elks." The proposed area encompasses approximately 75 square miles. Over 84 acres of vineyards are currently planted in "West Elks" and the area presently boasts eighteen vineyard and/or winery businesses.

What Name Evidence Has Been Provided?

The name of the proposed "West Elks" viticultural area was well documented by the petitioner. "West Elks" takes its name from the West Elk Mountains located just east of the area. The petitioner states that each vineyard in the area has a magnificent view of the West Elk Mountains. The following was submitted as evidence of name recognition:

- Brochure from the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service indicating that the proposed "West Elks" viticulture area is known as West Elk Wilderness:
- Brochure from the Colorado State Historical Society and Delta County Tourism mapping the West Elk Loop which runs through the proposed "West Elks" viticultural area;
- Delta County Area Map on which the West Elk Mountains are prominently labeled; and
- United States Department of the Interior topographic map on which the West Elk Wilderness and the West Elk Mountains are prominently labeled.
- News article from the *Delta County Independent* which depicts a 1855 map on which the Elk Mountains are prominently labeled;
- Delta County Historical Society map which also shows the Elk Mountains;

What Boundary Evidence Has Been Provided?

According to the petitioner, the proposed "West Elks" viticultural area is located on mesa lands. Its borders are the West Elk Mountains to the east and the higher Grand Mesa to the north. To the south, Crawford and Fruitland Mesa have a higher elevation and the plateau climbs until it reaches the north rim of the Black Canyon of the Gunnison. To the west lie the Adobe Badlands in which very little grows.

What Evidence Relating to Geographical Features Has Been Provided?

### Soil

The petitioner asserts that the soils of the proposed "West Elks" viticultural area distinguish it from the surrounding areas. The petitioner provided a General Soil Map which indicates that the proposed "West Elks" viticultural area is comprised mostly of Aqua Fria-Saration soils which are deep and moderately deep well-drained stony