

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 71**

[Docket No. FAA-2010-0083; Airspace  
Docket No. 10-AAL-5]

**Revocation of Class D and E Airspace;  
Big Delta, AK**

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

**ACTION:** Final Rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action revokes Class D and E airspace at Big Delta, AK, to eliminate duplicated controlled airspace serving Allen Army Airfield. The FAA is taking this action to enhance safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Allen Army Airfield.

**DATES:** Effective 0901 UTC, September 23, 2010. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under title 1, Code of Federal Regulations, part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments.

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

On Tuesday April 6, 2010, the FAA published a notice of proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** to revoke Class D and E airspace at Big Delta, AK (75 FR 17322). Controlled airspace serving Allen Army Airfield was revised in 2007 and correctly associated with the adjacent town of Delta Junction. At that time it was not noticed that the Big Delta, AK airspace description serving Allen Army Airfield was left in place and should have been removed. This action removes the unnecessary airspace associated with Big Delta, AK.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received. The rule is adopted as proposed.

The Class D surface areas are published in paragraph 5000 in FAA Order 7400.9T, *Airspace Designations*

and *Reporting Points*, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E2 surface areas are published in paragraph 6002 in FAA Order 7400.9T, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E4 surface areas are published in paragraph 6004 in FAA Order 7400.9T, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1,200 ft. transition areas are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9T, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, 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.

**The Rule**

This action amends Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by revoking Class D and E airspace at Big Delta, AK, to remove duplicate controlled airspace serving Allen Army Airfield.

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. 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. Because 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.

The FAA’s authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle 1, 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 1, Section 40103, Sovereignty and use of airspace. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to ensure

the safe and efficient use of the navigable airspace. This regulation is within the scope of that authority because it removes duplicate controlled airspace serving Allen Army Airfield and represents the FAA’s continuing effort to safely and efficiently use the navigable airspace.

**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—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE 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 Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9T, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, is amended as follows:

*Paragraph 5000 General.*

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**AAL AK D Big Delta, AK [Removed]**

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*Paragraph 6002 Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Areas.*

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**AAL AK E2 Big Delta, AK [Removed]**

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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 Big Delta, AK [Removed]**

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

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**AAL AK E5 Big Delta, AK [Removed]**

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