

proposal to the FAA. No comments were received.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.11A, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR part 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

#### Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document amends FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016. FAA Order 7400.11A is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11A lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

#### The Rule

This amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 establishes Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Astronaut Kent Rominger Airport, Del Norte, CO, within a 7.3-mile radius of Astronaut Kent Rominger Airport beginning at the 045° bearing from the airport clockwise to the 265° bearing from the airport, thence directly to the point of beginning. This airspace is necessary to support IFR operations in standard instrument approach and departure procedures at the airport.

#### 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, 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 only affects 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.

#### Environmental Review

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion

under the National Environmental Policy Act in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures," paragraph 5–6.5a. This airspace action is not expected to cause any potentially significant environmental impacts, and no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant preparation of an environmental assessment.

#### Lists 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, 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:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 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 FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016, is amended as follows:

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

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#### ANM CO E5 Del Norte, CO [New]

Astronaut Kent Rominger Airport, CO  
(Lat. 37°42'50" N., long. 106°21'07" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.3-mile radius of Astronaut Kent Rominger Airport beginning at the 045° bearing from the airport clockwise to the 265° bearing from the airport, thence directly to the point of beginning.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2016–9474; Airspace Docket No. 16–AWP–24]

#### Amendment of Class E Airspace Areas, and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Bishop, CA

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action modifies Class E surface area airspace, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Bishop Airport (formerly Eastern Sierra Regional Airport), Bishop, CA. This action also establishes Class E surface area airspace designated as an extension at this airport. After a review, the FAA found these modifications are necessary for the safety and management of Instrument Flight Rules aircraft operations at the airport.

**DATES:** Effective 0901 UTC, October 12, 2017. 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 7400.11 and publication of conforming amendments.

**ADDRESSES:** FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed on line at [http://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/publications/](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 this material at NARA, call (202) 741–6030, or go to [http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/code\\_of\\_federal-regulations/ibr\\_locations.html](http://www.archives.gov/federal-register/code_of_federal-regulations/ibr_locations.html).

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tom Clark, Federal Aviation Administration, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057; telephone (425) 203–4511.

**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 amends Class E airspace at Bishop Airport, Bishop, CA, to support standard instrument approach procedures for IFR operations at the airport.

### History

On March 23, 2017, the FAA published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 14841) Docket No. FAA-2016-9474 to modify Class E surface area airspace, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface, and establish Class E surface area airspace designated as an extension at Bishop Airport, Bishop, CA. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received.

After publication of the NPRM, the FAA determined the proposed reduction to Class E airspace upward from 1,200 feet included an error in the proposed legal description. The airspace area should be reduced northwest of the airport, but should continue to extend to 18.7 miles southeast of the airport, instead of reduced to 10.4 miles southeast, as stated in the NPRM. This action corrects the error.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6002, 6004 and 6005, respectively, of FAA Order 7400.11A dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016, 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.

### Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document amends FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016. FAA Order 7400.11A is publicly available as

listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11A lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

### The Rule

The FAA is amending Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by modifying Class E surface area airspace, modifying Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface, and establishing Class E surface area airspace designated as an extension, at Bishop Airport, Bishop, CA.

Class E surface area airspace is modified to within a 5-mile radius (from a 4.2-mile radius) of Bishop Airport, with 2 segments extending from the 5-mile radius to 6.9 miles northwest of the airport, and 9.6 miles north-northwest of the airport, respectively.

Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface is modified to within a 6.7-mile radius of Bishop Airport, with a 7.2-mile wide segment extending to 11.5 miles northeast of the airport. Also, the Class E airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface is reduced northwest of the airport, as this area largely duplicates the Coaldale, NV, Class E en route airspace area, but retains a small area southeast of the airport to support current IFR operations. Additionally, Class E airspace extending upward from 12,500 feet MSL is removed, as this airspace supports no current IFR operations.

These airspace modifications are necessary for the safety and management of IFR operations in standard instrument approach and departure procedures at the airport. Additionally, the airport name is changed from Eastern Sierra Regional Airport to Bishop Airport, to be in concert with the FAA's aeronautical database.

### 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, 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 only affects air traffic

procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, does not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

### Environmental Review

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures," paragraph 5-6.5a. This airspace action is not expected to cause any potentially significant environmental impacts, and no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant preparation of an environmental assessment.

### Lists 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, 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:

**Authority:** 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 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 FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016, is amended as follows:

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

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#### AWP CA E2 Bishop, CA [Modified]

Bishop Airport, CA  
(Lat. 37°22'23" N., long. 118°21'49" W.)  
Within a 5-mile radius of Bishop Airport.

*Paragraph 6004 Class E Airspace Areas Designated as an Extension to a Class D or Class E Surface Area.*

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#### AWP CA E4 Bishop, CA [New]

Bishop Airport, CA  
(Lat. 37°22'23" N., long. 118°21'49" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 1.2 miles each side of a 315° bearing from Bishop Airport extending from the 5-mile radius of the airport to 6.9 miles northwest of the airport, and within 1.2 miles each side of a 337° bearing from the airport

extending from the 5-mile radius of the airport to 9.6 miles northwest of the airport.

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

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#### **AWP CA E5 Bishop, CA [Modified]**

Bishop Airport, CA  
(Lat. 37°22'23" N., long. 118°21'49" W.)

That airspace upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.7-mile radius of Bishop Airport, and within 4 miles west and 3.2 miles east of a 337° bearing from the airport extending from the 6.7-mile radius of the airport to 15.2 miles northwest of the airport. That airspace upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within 3 miles southwest and 11.5 miles northeast of a 157° bearing from Bishop Airport extending from the airport to 18.7 miles southeast of the airport.

Issued in Seattle, Washington, on July 19, 2017.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### **14 CFR Part 71**

[Docket No. FAA-2017-0258; Airspace Docket No. 16-AWP-15]

#### **Amendment of Class E Airspace, Colorado City, AZ**

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

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This action modifies Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Colorado City Municipal Airport, Colorado City, AZ, to support the implementation of new Area Navigation (RNAV) Global Positioning System (GPS) standard instrument approach procedures for instrument flight rules (IFR) operations at the airport. In addition, it removes the Class E airspace area extending upward from 1,200 feet. Also, this action updates the geographic coordinates of the airport to match the FAA's current aeronautical database. This action enhances the safety and management of controlled airspace within the national airspace system.

**DATES:** Effective 0901 UTC, October 12, 2017. 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

7400.11 and publication of conforming amendments.

**ADDRESSES:** FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at [http://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/publications/](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).

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tom Clark, Federal Aviation Administration, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057; telephone (425) 203-4511.

#### **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 modifies Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Colorado City Municipal Airport, Colorado City, AZ, to support the implementation of new Area Navigation (RNAV) Global Positioning System (GPS) standard instrument approach procedures for instrument flight rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

##### **History**

On April 27, 2017, the FAA published a notice of proposed rulemaking in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 19329) Docket No. FAA-2017-0258, to modify Class E airspace extending upward from 700 and 1,200 feet above the surface at Colorado City Municipal Airport,

Colorado City, AZ. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.11A, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR part 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

#### **Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference**

This document amends FAA Order 7400.11A, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2016, and effective September 15, 2016. FAA Order 7400.11A is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11A lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

#### **The Rule**

This amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 modifies Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Colorado City Municipal Airport, Colorado City, AZ. The airspace is expanded from the 6.5-mile radius of the airport to 7.8 miles west and 2 miles east of the 163° (from 173°) bearing from the airport to 16 miles (from 12 miles) south of the airport to contain the NDB-A procedure turn. Also, a segment is added from the 6.5-mile radius of the airport extending to 15.1 miles southeast of the airport to support a new RNAV GPS RWY 29 instrument approach procedure for IFR operations at the airport.

Additionally, the Class E airspace area extending upward from 1,200 feet is removed as there is sufficient 1,200-foot airspace provided by St. George Class E airspace extending from 700 feet above the surface and Grand Canyon Class E en route airspace.

Also, this action updates the geographic coordinates of the airport to lat. 36°57'36" N., long. 113°00'50" W. (from lat. 36°57'08" N., long. 113°00'59" W.), to match the FAA's current aeronautical database. This action ensures the safety and management of controlled airspace within the national airspace system as it transitions from ground based navigation aids to satellite-based Global Navigation Satellite System for navigation.