

Regulatory Notices and Analyses

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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 5–6.5.a. 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 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

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 14 CFR 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 JO 7400.11H, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 11, 2023, and effective September 15, 2023, 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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AGL MN E5 Roseau, MN [Amended]

Roseau Municipal Airport/Rudy Billberg Field, MN
(Lat 48°51′23″ N, long 95°41′49″ W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of Roseau Municipal Airport/Rudy Billberg Field.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2023–1787; Airspace
Docket No. 23–AGL–23]

RIN 2120–AA66

Amendment of Class E Airspace; Mount Pleasant, MI

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends the Class E airspace at Mount Pleasant, MI. This action is the result of an airspace review caused by the decommissioning of the Mount Pleasant very high frequency omnidirectional range (VOR) as part of the VOR Minimum Operating Network (MON) Program. The geographic coordinates of the airport are also being updated to coincide with the FAA’s aeronautical database. This action brings the airspace into compliance with FAA orders to support instrument flight rule (IFR) operations.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, March 21, 2024. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under 1 CFR part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order JO 7400.11 and publication of conforming amendments.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM), all comments received, this final rule, and all background material may be viewed online at www.regulations.gov using the FAA Docket number. Electronic retrieval help and guidelines are available on the website. It is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year.

FAA Order JO 7400.11H, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at www.faa.gov/air_traffic/

publications/. You may also contact the Rules and Regulations Group, Office of Policy, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267–8783.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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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 the Class E surface airspace and the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Mount Pleasant Municipal Airport, Mount Pleasant, MI, to support instrument flight rule (IFR) operations at this airport.

History

The FAA published an NPRM for Docket No. FAA–2023–1787 in the **Federal Register** (88 FR 62479; September 12, 2023) proposing to amend the Class E airspace at Mount Pleasant, MI. Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received.

Incorporation by Reference

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraphs 6005 of FAA Order JO 7400.11, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 on an annual basis. This document amends the current version of that order, FAA Order JO 7400.11H, dated August 11, 2023, and effective September 15, 2023. FAA Order JO 7400.11H is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. These amendments will be published in the next update to FAA Order JO 7400.11.

FAA Order JO 7400.11H lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

The Rule

This amendment to 14 CFR part 71 modifies the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface to within a 6.6-mile (decreased from a 7-mile) radius of Mount Pleasant Municipal Airport, Mount Pleasant, MI; and updates the geographic coordinates of airport to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

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AGL MI E5 Mount Pleasant, MI [Amended]

Mount Pleasant Municipal Airport, MI
(Lat 43°37'18" N, long 84°44'14" W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.6-mile radius of Mount Pleasant Municipal Airport.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Docket No. FAA–2022–0432]

14 CFR Chapter I

Policy Regarding Processing Land Use Changes on Federally Acquired or Federally Conveyed Airport Land

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of final policy.

SUMMARY: This action finalizes the FAA's policy on the FAA's procedures for processing land use changes on federally acquired or federally conveyed airport land or in situations where a land use change impacts the safe and efficient operation of aircraft or safety of people and property on the ground related to aircraft operations. These changes were needed because of legislative changes made in the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018. The policy is intended to simplify the procedures required to make a land use change and to protect airport land by limiting the use of releases to the actual sale or disposal of airport property.

DATES: This policy is effective January 8, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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ACO–1, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591, telephone (202) 267–3085; facsimile: (202) 267–4629.

ADDRESSES: You can get an electronic copy of this Policy and all other documents in this docket using the internet by:

(1) Searching the Federal eRulemaking portal (<https://www.regulations.gov>)

(2) Visiting FAA's Regulations and Policies web page at (<http://www.faa.gov/regulations/policies>); or

(3) Accessing the Government Publishing Office's web page at (<http://www.gpoaccess.gov/index.html>).

You can also get a copy by sending a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Airport Compliance and Management Analysis, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267–3085. Make sure to identify the docket number, notice number or amendment number of this proceeding.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority for the Policy: This document is published under the authority described in Title 49 of the United States Code, Subtitle VII, part B, chapter 471, section 47122(a).

This policy should be used in conjunction with FAA Order 5190.6, *Airport Compliance Manual*, Chapter 22, Releases from Federal Obligations; and FAA Order 5100.38, *Airport Improvement Handbook*; and any related policy implemented in conjunction and complementary with Airports Planning and Programming (APP) guidance. Additionally, compliance specialists will consult with FAA environmental protection specialists to determine what, if any, environmental obligations under relevant statutes or regulations may apply to specific land use changes at specific airports.

Background

Congress authorized financial assistance for an airport development project to acquire land, including land for future airport development (See 49 U.S.C. 47104, 47107(c)(2)). Under the Airport Improvement Act, land is needed for an airport purpose "if the land may be needed for an aeronautical purpose (including runway protection zone) or serves as noise buffer land, and revenue from interim uses of the land contributes to the financial self-sufficiency of the airport." (See 49 U.S.C. 47107(c)(1)). Congress also authorized the conveyance of Federal non-surplus and surplus property for