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### The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 71 by modifying Class E airspace designated as an extension to Class D surface area. The FAA proposes to reduce the size of the Class E airspace to the northwest, remove the Class E airspace to the south and create additional Class E airspace south southeast of the Portland-Hillsboro Airport. Also, the geographic coordinates of Portland-Hillsboro Airport, listed under Class D and Class E airspace, would be updated to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database. This action was initiated by a biennial review of the airspace and is necessary for the safety and management of aircraft departing and arriving under IFR operations at the airport.

Class D airspace and Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 5000, 6002 and 6004, respectively, of FAA Order 7400.9W, dated August 8, 2012, and effective September 15, 2012, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D and Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in this Order.

The FAA has determined this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed regulation; (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 this proposed rule, when promulgated, would 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 U.S. Code. Subtitle 1, Section 106, describes the authority for 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 the 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 would modify controlled airspace at Portland-Hillsboro Airport, Hillsboro, OR.

This proposal will be subject to an environmental analysis in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1E, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures" prior to any FAA final regulatory action.

### List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

### The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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(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 7400.9W, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 8, 2012, and effective September 15, 2012 is amended as follows:

*Paragraph 5000 Class D airspace.*

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#### ANM OR D Portland-Hillsboro, OR [Modified]

Portland-Hillsboro Airport, OR  
(Lat. 45°32'26" N., long. 122°57'01" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,700 feet MSL

within a 4.2-mile radius of Portland-Hillsboro Airport. 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.

*Paragraph 6002 Class E airspace designated as surface areas.*

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#### ANM OR E2 Portland-Hillsboro, OR [Modified]

Portland-Hillsboro Airport, OR  
(Lat. 45°32'26" N., long. 122°57'01" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within a 4.2-mile radius of Portland-Hillsboro 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 Airport/Facility Directory.

*Paragraph 6004 Class E airspace areas designated as an extension to Class D or Class E surface area.*

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#### ANM OR E4 Portland-Hillsboro, OR [Modified]

Portland-Hillsboro Airport, OR  
(Lat. 45°32'26" N., long. 122°57'01" W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 1 mile each side of the 144° bearing of the airport extending from the 4.2-mile radius to 5.5 miles southeast of the airport and within 1.5 miles each side of the 323° bearing of the airport extending from the 4.2-mile radius of the airport to 7 miles northwest of the airport.

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*Acting Manager, Operations Support Group,  
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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA–2012–0852; Airspace  
Docket No. 12–AWP–5]

#### Proposed Amendment of Class E Airspace; Eureka, NV

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking  
(NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to modify Class E airspace at Eureka, NV. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate aircraft using Area Navigation (RNAV) Global Positioning System (GPS) standard instrument

approach procedures at Eureka Airport, Eureka, NV. The FAA is proposing this action to enhance the safety and management of aircraft operations at the airport.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before February 4, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on this proposal to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, M-30, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590; telephone (202) 366-9826. You must identify FAA Docket No. FAA-2012-0852; Airspace Docket No. 12-AWP-5, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eldon Taylor, Federal Aviation Administration, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center, 1601 Lind Avenue SW., Renton, WA 98057; telephone (425) 203-4537.

#### **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 both docket numbers (FAA Docket No. FAA-2012-0852 and Airspace Docket No. 12-AWP-5) and be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Management System (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number). You may also submit comments through the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

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 FAA Docket No. FAA-2012-0852 and Airspace Docket No. 12-AWP-5". 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 light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the

public docket 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.

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##### **The Proposal**

The FAA is proposing an amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) Part 71 by modifying Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Eureka Airport, Eureka, NV. Controlled airspace is necessary to accommodate aircraft using the RNAV (GPS) standard instrument approach procedures at Eureka Airport. Additional controlled airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface would be established to the northeast of the airport to contain the MINES (RNAV) ONE departure. This action would enhance the safety and management of aircraft operations at the airport.

Class E airspace designations are published in paragraph 6005, of FAA Order 7400.9W, dated August 8, 2012, and effective September 15, 2012, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in this Order.

The FAA has determined this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical

regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. Therefore, this proposed regulation; (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 this proposed rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

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This proposal will be subject to an environmental analysis in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1E, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures" prior to any FAA final regulatory action.

##### **List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71**

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

##### **The Proposed Amendment**

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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**

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**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 7400.9W, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 8, 2012, and effective September 15, 2012 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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#### **AWP NV E5 Eureka, NV [Modify]**

Eureka Airport, NV  
(Lat. 39°36'14" N., long. 116°00'13" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.6-mile radius of the Eureka Airport; and within 1.5 miles either side of the 011° bearing of the airport extending from the 6.6-mile radius to 10 miles north of Eureka airport; that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface within an area bounded by lat. 40°35'00" N., long. 115°57'00" W.; to lat. 40°28'06" N., long. 115°29'19" W.; to lat. 40°11'24" N., long. 115°19'00" W.; to lat. 39°58'00" N., long. 115°51'00" W.; to lat. 39°30'00" N., long. 115°51'00" W.; to lat. 39°19'00" N., long. 115°47'00" W.; to lat. 39°18'00" N., long. 115°36'00" W.; to lat. 39°20'00" N., long. 115°14'00" W.; to lat. 39°08'00" N., long. 115°10'00" W.; to lat. 39°06'00" N., long. 115°57'00" W.; to lat. 39°16'00" N., long. 116°05'00" W.; to lat. 39°22'00" N., long. 116°12'00" W.; to lat. 39°43'00" N., long. 116°08'00" W.; to lat. 40°08'00" N., long. 116°02'00" W., thence to the point of beginning.

Issued in Seattle, Washington, on November 13, 2012.

**Steven L. Vale,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

### **Federal Aviation Administration**

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

**[Docket No. FAA-2012-0835; Airspace Docket No. 12-ANE-15]**

#### **Proposed Amendment of Class E Airspace; Morrisville, VT**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to amend Class E Airspace at Morrisville, VT, as the Morrisville-Stowe Non-Directional Radio Beacon (NDB) has been decommissioned and new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures have been developed at Morrisville-Stowe State Airport. This action would enhance the safety and airspace management of Instrument

Flight Rules (IFR) operations at the airport.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before February 4, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on this rule to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001; Telephone: 1-800-647-5527; Fax: 202-493-2251. You must identify the Docket Number FAA-2012-0835; Airspace Docket No. 12-ANE-15, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit and review received comments through the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Fornito, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, P.O. Box 20636, Atlanta, Georgia 30320; telephone (404) 305-6364.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Comments Invited**

Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule 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.

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#### **The Proposal**

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to amend Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface to support new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures developed at Morrisville-Stowe State Airport, Morrisville, VT. Airspace reconfiguration is necessary due to the decommissioning of the Morrisville-Stowe NDB and cancellation of the NDB approach, and for continued safety and management of IFR operations at the airport. Accordingly, the extension of Class E airspace to the northeast of the airport based on the cancelled NDB will be eliminated and the basic radius of controlled airspace extending from 700 feet above the surface upward is extended from 4 miles to 14.8 miles. The expanded radius is necessary due to the elevation surrounding the airport.

Class E airspace designations are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9W, dated August 8, 2012, and effective September 15, 2012, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The FAA has determined that this proposed regulation only involves an established body of technical