

airplanes that have been modified, altered, or repaired so that the performance of the requirements of this AD is affected, the owner/operator must request approval for an alternative method of compliance in accordance with paragraph (c) of this AD. The request should include an assessment of the effect of the modification, alteration, or repair on the unsafe condition addressed by this AD; and, if the unsafe condition has not been eliminated, the request should include specific proposed actions to address it.

Compliance: Required within the next 3 calendar months after the effective date of this AD, unless already accomplished.

To prevent engine fuel starvation during maximum climb and descent caused by poor fuel tank venting with low fuel levels, which, if not corrected, could result in a loss of engine power during critical phases of flight, accomplish the following:

(a) Modify the fuel venting system in accordance with the Accomplishment Instructions section in Pilatus PC-6 Service Bulletin No. PC-6-SB-171, dated October 18, 1995.

(b) Special flight permits may be issued in accordance with sections 21.197 and 21.199 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR 21.197 and 21.199) to operate the airplane to a location where the requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(c) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an equivalent level of safety may be approved by the Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, 1201 Walnut, suite 900, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. The request shall be forwarded through an appropriate FAA Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Small Airplane Directorate.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Small Airplane Directorate.

(d) Questions or technical information related to Pilatus Service Bulletin No. PC-6-SB-171, dated October 18, 1995, should be directed to Pilatus Aircraft Ltd., Customer Liaison Manager, CH-6370 Stans, Switzerland; telephone: +41 41-6196 233; facsimile: +41 41-6103 351. This service information may be examined at the FAA, Central Region, Office of the Regional Counsel, Room 1558, 601 E. 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106.

Note 3: The subject of this AD is addressed in Swiss AD HB 95-451, dated November 1, 1995.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri, on March 18, 1998.

Michael Gallagher,

Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-8]

Establishment of Class E Airspace; Atkinson, NE

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to establish Class E airspace area at Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport, Atkinson, NE. The Federal Aviation Administration has developed Global Positioning System (GPS) Runway (RWY) 29 and VHF Omnidirectional Range/Distance Measuring Equipment (VOR/DME) RWY 29 Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) to serve Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport, Atkinson, NE. Controlled Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) is needed to accommodate aircraft executing the SIAPs. This proposal would create controlled airspace at Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport. The intended effect of this rule is to provide controlled airspace for aircraft executing the SIAPs at the Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 15, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Airspace Branch, ACE-520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 98-ACE-8, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel for the Central Region at the same address between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Randolph, Air Traffic Division, Airspace Branch, ACE-520C, Federal Aviation Administration, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone number: (816) 426-3408.

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, 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 notice must submit with those comments a self-addressed, stamped postcard on which the following statement is made:

"Comments to Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-8." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this notice may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Rules 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.

Availability of NPRMs

Any person may obtain a copy of this notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Federal Aviation Administration, Office of Public Affairs, Attention: Public Inquiry Center, APA-230, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591, or by calling (202) 267-3484.

Communications must identify the notice number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a dialing list for future NPRMs should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A, which describes the procedures.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 to establish Class E airspace at Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport, Atkinson, NE. The FAA has developed GPS RWY 29 and VOR/DME RWY 29 SIAPs to serve the Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport, Atkinson, NE. Controlled Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL is needed to contain aircraft executing these SIAPs. The intended effect of this action is to provide segregation of aircraft operating under Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) from aircraft operating in visual weather conditions. The area would be depicted on appropriate aeronautical charts

thereby enabling pilots to circumnavigate the area or otherwise comply with IFR procedures. Class E airspace designations for airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 740.9E, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, 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. 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 that this proposed rule 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, Navigator (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, CLASS B, CLASS C, CLASS D, AND CLASS E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIRWAYS; ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for 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 7400.9E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1997, and effective September 16, 1997, 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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Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport, NE
(Lat. 42°33'45" N., long. 99°02'16" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.5-mile radius of Stuart-Atkinson Municipal Airport, excluding that airspace within the O'Neill, NE, Class E airspace.

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Issued in Kansas City, MO, on March 5, 1998.

Bryan H. Bursleson,

Acting Manager, Air Traffic Division, Central Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-14]

Proposed Amendment to Class E Airspace; Lawrence, KS; Perryville, MO; Warrensburg MO; Burlington, IA; Des Moines, IA; Fort Madison, IA; and Dubuque, IA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to amend the Class E airspace areas at, Lawrence, KS; Perryville, MO; Warrensburg, MO; Burlington, IA; Des Moines, IA; Fort Madison, IA and Dubuque, IA. A review of the Class E airspace designations for the airports listed above indicates they do not meet the criteria for 700 feet Above Ground Level (AGL) airspace required for diverse departures as specified in FAA Order 7400.2D. The areas are enlarged to conform to the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D. The Airport Reference Points (ARP) for Perryville, MO, and Des Moines, IA, are amended. The Instrument Landing System (ILS) and coordinates have been added to the airspace designation for Des Moines, IA. The intended effect of this rule is to comply with the criteria of FAA Order 7400.2D, amend the appropriate ARPs, add the ILSs and coordinates, and provide additional controlled Class E airspace for aircraft operating under Instrument Flight Rules.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before June 1, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager,

Airspace Branch, ACE-520, Federal Aviation Administration, Docket No. 98-ACE-14, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, MO 64106.

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