

To prevent the failure of a high-pressure compressor disk due to Cadmium embrittlement, resulting in uncontained engine failure and damage to the airplane, accomplish the following:

(a) Remove from service stage 7 through stage 15 high-pressure compressor (HPC) disks identified in Appendix 1 of this AD as follows:

(1) For disks with less than 250 hours time in service (TIS) since last NiCd plating, remove disk and replace with a serviceable part within 100 hours TIS after the effective date of this AD.

(2) For disks with greater than or equal to 250 hours and less than 500 hours TIS since last NiCd plating, remove disk and replace with a serviceable part within 150 hours TIS after the effective date of this AD.

(3) For disks with greater than or equal to 500 hours TIS since last NiCd plating no action is required.

(4) Disks removed from service in accordance with this AD are not eligible for installation in any engine.

(b) An alternative method of compliance or adjustment of the compliance time that provides an acceptable level of safety may be used if approved by the Manager, Engine Certification Office. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Engine Certification Office.

Note 2: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this airworthiness directive, if any, may be obtained from the Engine Certification Office.

(c) 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 aircraft to a location where the record search requirements of this AD can be accomplished.

(d) This amendment becomes effective on January 5, 1999.

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts, on December 23, 1998.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 98-AEA-39]

Amendment to Class E Airspace; Wise, VA

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E airspace extending upward from 700

feet above Ground Level (AGL) at Wise, VA. The development of new Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAP) based on the Global Positioning System (GPS) and the Localizer (LOC) at Lonesome Pine Airport has made this action necessary. This action is intended to provide adequate Class E airspace for instrument flight rules (IFR) operations by aircraft executing the GPS RWY 6 SIAP, GPS RWY 24 SIAP and a LOC RWY 24 SIAP to Lonesome Pine Airport.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, March 25, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Francis Jordan, Airspace Specialist, Airspace Branch, AEA-520, Air Traffic Division, Eastern Region, Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Building #111, John F. Kennedy International Airport, Jamaica, New York 11430, telephone: (718) 553-4521.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On November 3, 1998, a notice proposing to amend Part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 71) to amend the Class E airspace at Wise, VA, was published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 59255). The development of a GPS RWY 6 SIAP, GPS RWY 24 and a LOC RWY 24 SIAP for Lonesome Pine Airport requires the amendment of the Class E airspace at Wise, VA. The notice proposed to amend controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL to contain IFR operations in controlled airspace during portions of the terminal operation and while transitioning between the enroute and terminal environments.

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

The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class E airspace areas designations for airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL are published in paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9F, dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, 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 Rule

This amendment to Part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR Part 71) amends Class E airspace at

Wise, VA, to provide controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL for aircraft executing the GPS RWY 6 SIAP, GPS RWY 24 and LOC RWY 24 SIAP to Lonesome Pine Airport.

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. Therefore, this 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 rule will not have 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, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; EO 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 7400.9F, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 10, 1998, and effective September 16, 1998, 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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AEA VA E5 Wise, VA [Revised]

Lonesome Pine Airport, Wise, VA
(Lat. 36° 59' 15" N., long. 82° 31' 49" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within an 10-mile radius of Lonesome Pine Airport.

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Issued in Jamaica, New York, on December 18, 1998.

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Manager, Air Traffic Division, Eastern Region.

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