

14 CFR Part 71**[Airspace Docket No. 96-ASW-26]****Proposed Revision of Class E Airspace; Longview, TX****AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to revise the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above ground level (AGL) at Longview, TX. A new VHF Omnidirectional Range (VOR) or Tactical Air Navigation (TACAN) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (RWY) 13 at Gregg County Airport has made this proposal necessary. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for aircraft executing the VOR or TACAN SIAP to RWY 13 at Gregg County Airport, Longview, TX.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 21, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to Manager, Operations Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Docket No. 96-ASW-26, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0530.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX, 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 at the Operations Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Donald J. Day, Operations Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0530; telephone: (817) 222-5593.

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 the

airspace docket number and be submitted in triplicate to the address listed under the caption **ADDRESSES**. Commenters wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this notice must submit, with those comments, a self-addressed, stamped, postcard containing the following statement: "Comments to Airspace Docket No. 96-ASW-26." The postcard will be date and 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 notice may be changed in the light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, TX, 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 NPRM's

Any person may obtain a copy of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) by submitting a request to the Operations Branch, Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, Southwest Region, Fort Worth, TX 76193-0530. Communications must identify the notice number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM's should also request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11-2A that describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to part 71 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) to revise the Class E airspace, controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet AGL, at Longview, TX. A new VOR or TACAN SIAP to RWY 13 at Gregg County Airport has made this proposal necessary. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate Class E airspace for aircraft executing the VOR or TACAN SIAP to RWY 13 at Gregg County Airport, Longview, TX.

The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Designated Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above ground level are published in Paragraph 6005 of FAA Order 7400.9D, dated September 4, 1996, and effective September 16, 1996, 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 that need frequent and routine amendments to keep them operationally current. 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 will only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, will not have a significant 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).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 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. 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389; 49 U.S.C. 106(g); 14 CFR 11.69.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of the Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9D, *Airspace Designations and Reporting Points*, dated September 4, 1996, and effective September 16, 1996, 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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ASW TX E5 Longview, TX [Revised]

Longview, Gregg County Airport, TX
(lat. 32°23'05" N., long. 94°42'42" W.)

Gregg County VORTAC

(lat. 32°25'04" N., long. 94°45'11" W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 7.1-mile radius of Gregg County Airport and within 1.5 miles each side of the 133° radial of the Gregg County Airport extending from the 7.1-mile radius to 10.9 miles southeast of the airport and within 3.1 miles each side of the 305° radial of the Gregg County VORTAC

extending from the 7.1-mile radius to 10.3 miles northwest of the airport.

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Southwest Region.*

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Proposed Revision of Class E Airspace; Athens, TX

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This notice proposes to revise the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above ground level (AGL) at Athens, TX. A new Nondirectional Radio Beacon (NDB) Standard Instrument Approach Procedure (SIAP) to Runway (RWY) 35 at Athens Municipal Airport has made this proposal necessary. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide adequate controlled airspace for aircraft executing the NDB SIAP to RWY 35 at Athens Municipal Airport, Athens, TX.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 21, 1997.

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The Proposal

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SIAP to RWY 35 at Athens Municipal Airport, Athens, TX.

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ASW TX E5 Athens, TX [Revised]
Athens Municipal Airport, TX