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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97-ANM-5]

Amendment of Class D Airspace; Idaho Falls, Idaho

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends the Idaho Falls, Idaho, Class D airspace. This action is necessary to facilitate Lifeflight helicopter operations at the Regional Medical Center. The area will be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 0901 UTC, July 10, 1997.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On April 9, 1997, the FAA proposed to amend part 71 of Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 71) by amending the Class D airspace area at Idaho Falls, Idaho, (68 FR 17134) to facilitate Lifeflight helicopter operations at the Regional Medical Center. Presently, aircraft operating in the vicinity of the medical center are experiencing difficulty establishing communications with Idaho Falls air traffic control tower, when operational, or Salt Lake City Center during other hours. This amendment corrects that situation by establishing a procedure that will negate the communications problem. Interested parties were invited to participate in the rulemaking

proceeding by submitting written comments on the proposal. No comments were received. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 83. Class D airspace areas extending upward from the surface of the earth are published in Paragraph 5000 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 D airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

The Rule

This amendment to part 71 of Federal Aviation Regulations amends Class D airspace at Idaho Falls, Idaho. 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. 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 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, Navigation (air).

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, 14 CFR part 71 is amended 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; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389; 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:

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Paragraph 5000 General.

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ANM ID D Idaho Falls, ID [Revised]

Idaho Falls, Fanning Field, ID
(lat. 43°30'52" N, long. 112°04'13" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 7,200 feet MSL within a 5.4-mile radius of Fanning Field excluding that airspace below 5,300 feet MSL within a 1-mile radius of lat. 43°28'16" N, long. 111°59'27" W; and excluding that airspace 1 mile either side of the 127° bearing from lat. 43°28'16" N, long. 111°59'27" W to the 5.4-mile radius of Fanning Field. 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 97-ANM-6]

Establishment of Class E Airspace; Driggs, Idaho

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Direct final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This action establishes a Class E airspace area at Driggs, Idaho (U59) to provide adequate controlled airspace for a new (GP-A approach procedure to Teton Peaks/Driggs Municipal Airport, Driggs, Idaho. This action also amends the Idaho Falls, Idaho, 1200-foot Class E airspace area to provide controlled airspace for the new GPS-A approach procedure to Teton Peaks/Driggs Municipal Airport. The airport