or eddy current inspections in accordance with the instructions in Douglas Service Bulletin 54–30, dated January 19, 1977. Repeat the inspection thereafter at intervals not to exceed 3,600 flight hours. For those operators who have conducted only the radiographic inspections in accordance with Douglas All Operators Letter AOL 9–835, dated October 30, 1974, perform the ultrasonic or eddy current inspections, and thereafter, the radiographic and ultrasonic or eddy current inspection in accordance with the requirements of this AD, as applicable.

Note 2: Inspections accomplished prior to the effective date of this AD in accordance with McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin 54–30, Revision 1, dated June 29, 1977, Revision 2, dated October 27, 1978, Revision 3, dated April 30, 1986, or Revision 4, dated March 26, 1991, or McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–54–030, Revision 05, dated August 26, 1999, or Revision 06, dated November 11, 1999; are considered acceptable for compliance with the inspections required by paragraph (a) of this AD.

Initial Inspections and Follow-On/Corrective Action

(b) For airplanes on which the modification specified in paragraph (e) of this AD has not been accomplished: Prior to the accumulation of 8,000 total flight hours or within 3,600 flight hours after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later, perform x-ray and eddy current inspections to detect cracks of the upper cap of the front spar of the left and right engine pylons, in accordance with McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–54–030, Revision 06, dated November 11, 1999. Accomplishment of these inspections constitutes terminating action for the repetitive inspection requirements of paragraph (a) of this AD.

No Crack Detected: Repetitive Inspections

(c) If no crack is detected during any inspection required by paragraph (a) or (b) of this AD, repeat the inspections thereafter at intervals not to exceed 3,600 flight hours until the modification required by paragraph (e) of this AD is accomplished.

Any Crack Detected: Modification

(d) If any crack is detected during any inspection required by paragraph (a) or (b) of this AD, prior to further flight, accomplish the modification specified in paragraph (e) of this AD.

Terminating Modification

(e) Except as provided by paragraph (d) of this AD, prior to the accumulation of 100,000 total landings, or within 6 months after the effective date of this AD, whichever occurs later, modify the upper cap of the front spar of the left and right engine pylons in accordance with McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–54–030, Revision 06, dated November 11, 1999. Accomplishment of this modification constitutes terminating action for the requirements of this AD.

Note 3: Accomplishment of the modification of the upper cap of the front spar of the left and right engine pylons prior to the effective date of this AD in accordance with Douglas Service Bulletin 54–30, Revision 4, dated March 25, 1991, or McDonnell Douglas Service Bulletin DC9–54–030, Revision 5, dated August 26, 1999; is considered acceptable for compliance with the modification specified in paragraph (e) of this AD.


Alternative Methods of Compliance

(g) 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, Los Angeles Aircraft Certification Office (ACO), FAA, Transport Airplane Directorate. Operators shall submit their requests through an appropriate FAA Principal Maintenance Inspector, who may add comments and then send it to the Manager, Los Angeles ACO.

Note 4: Information concerning the existence of approved alternative methods of compliance with this AD, if any, may be obtained from the Los Angeles ACO.

Special Flight Permits

(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.

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Donald L. Riggin,
Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71
[Airspace Docket No. 00–AAL–6]
Proposed Revision of Class E AIRSPACE; Wainwright, AK

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This action revises Class E airspace at Wainwright, AK. The revision of instrument approaches to runway (RWY) 4 and RWY 22 at Wainwright Airport, Wainwright, AK, have made this action necessary. Adoption of this proposal would result in the provision of adequate controlled airspace for Instrument Flight Rules (IFR) operations at Wainwright, AK.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Operations Branch, AAL–530, Docket No. 00–AAL–6, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513–7587.

The official docket may be examined in the Office of the Regional Counsel for the Alaskan Region at the same address.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours in the Office of the Manager, Operations Branch, Air Traffic Division, at the address shown above and on the Internet at Alaskan Region’s homepage at http://www.alaska.faa.gov/at or at address http://162.58.28.41/at.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bob Durand, Operations Branch, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513–7587; telephone number (907) 271–5898; fax: (907) 271–2850; email: Bob.Durand@faa.gov. Internet address: http://www.alaska.faa.gov/at or at address http://162.58.28.41/at.

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 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. 00–AAL–6.” 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 notice may be changed in light of comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the Operations Branch,
Air Traffic Division, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK, 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 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking's (NPRM’s)

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded, using a modem and suitable communications software, from the FAA regulations section of the Fedworld electronic bulletin board service (telephone: 703–321–3339) or the Federal Register’s electronic bulletin board service (telephone: 202–512–1661). Internet users may reach the Federal Register’s web page for access to recently published rulemaking documents at http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html.

Any person may obtain a copy of this NPRM by submitting a request to the Operations Branch, AAL–530, Federal Aviation Administration, 222 West 7th Avenue, Box 14, Anchorage, AK 99513–7587. Communications must identify the notice number of this NPRM. Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM’s should contact the individual(s) identified in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section.

The Proposal

The FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 by revising Class E airspace at Wainwright, AK, due to the revision of several instrument approach procedures to RWY 4 and RWY 22. The intended effect of this proposal is to provide additional controlled airspace for IFR operations at Wainwright, AK.

The area would be depicted on aeronautical charts for pilot reference. The coordinates for this airspace docket are based on North American Datum 1983. The Class E airspace areas designated as 700/1200 foot transition areas are published in paragraph 6005 in FAA Order 7400.9G, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations 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. 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 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).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, 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 14 CFR part 71 continues to read as follows:


§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9G, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated September 1, 1999, and effective September 16, 1999, is to be amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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Wainwright Airport, AK (Lat. 70°38′17″N, long. 159°59′41″W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 8.5 mile radius of the Wainwright Airport; and that airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface from lat. 70°54′00″ N long. 159°00′00″ W. to lat. 70°38′00″ N long. 161°00′00″ W. to lat. 70°20′00″ N long. 161°00′00″ W. to lat. 70°30′00″ N long. 159°30′00″ W. to lat. 70°40′00″ N long. 159°00′00″ W. to the point of beginning.

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Willis C. Nelson,
Manager, Air Traffic Division, Alaskan Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Airspace Docket No. 99–ANM–14]

Proposed Alteration of VOR Federal Airway; CO

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to eliminate a segment of Federal Airway V–382 between Bryce Canyon, UT, Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range/Tactical Air Navigation (VORTAC) and Grand Junction, CO, VORTAC. The FAA is proposing to delete this portion of the airway because the flight inspection found the current route segment unusable for navigation.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal in triplicate to: Manager, Air Traffic Division, ANM–500, Docket No. 99–ANM–14, Federal Aviation Administration, 1601 Lind Avenue, Renton, WA 98055–4056.

The official docket may be examined in the Rules Docket, Office of the Chief Counsel, Room 916, 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, weekdays, except Federal holidays, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.

An informal docket may also be examined during normal business hours at the office of the Regional Air Traffic Division.


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