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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Approval of Noise Compatibility Program, Craig Municipal Airport, Jacksonville, FL

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its findings on the Noise Compatibility Program submitted by the Jacksonville Airport Authority under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. (the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act, hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and 14 CFR part 150. These findings are made in recognition of the description of Federal and nonfederal responsibilities in Senate Report No. 96-52 (1980). On December 22, 2006, the FAA determined that the noise exposure maps submitted by the Jacksonville Airport Authority under Part 150 were in compliance with applicable requirements. On May 14, 2007, the FAA approved the Craig Municipal Airport noise compatibility program. All of the recommendations of the program were approved.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* The effective date of the FAA's approval of the Craig Municipal Airport Noise Compatibility Program is May 14, 2007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lindy McDowell, Federal Aviation Administration, Orlando Airports District Office, 5950 Hazeltine National Dr., Suite 400, Orlando, Florida 32822-5024, *phone number:* 407-812-6331. Documents reflecting this FAA action may be reviewed at this same location.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces that the FAA has given its overall approval to the Noise Compatibility Program for Craig Municipal Airport, effective May 14, 2007.

Under Section 47504 of the Act, an airport operator who has previously submitted a Noise Exposure Map may submit to the FAA a Noise Compatibility Program which sets forth the measures taken or proposed by the airport operator for the reduction of existing non-compatible land uses and prevention of additional non-compatible

land uses within the area covered by the Noise Exposure Maps. The Act requires such programs to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties including local communities, government agencies, airport users, and FAA personnel.

Each airport noise compatibility program developed in accordance with Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 150 is a local program, not a Federal Program. The FAA does not substitute its judgment for that of the airport operator with respect to which measure should be recommended for action. The FAA's approval or disapproval of FAR Part 150 program recommendations is measured according to the standards expressed in FAR part 150 and the Act, and is limited to the following determinations;

a. The Noise Compatibility Program was developed in accordance with the provisions and procedures of FAR Part 150;

b. Program measures are reasonably consistent with achieving the goals of reducing existing non-compatible land uses around the airport and preventing the introduction of additional non-compatible land uses;

c. Program measures would not create an undue burden on interstate or foreign commerce, unjustly discriminate against types of classes of aeronautical uses, violate the terms of airport grant agreements, or intrude into areas preempted by the Federal government; and

d. Program measures relating to the use of flight procedures can be implemented within the period covered by the program without derogating safety, adversely affecting the efficient use and management of the navigable airspace and air traffic control systems, or adversely affecting other powers and responsibilities of the Administrator prescribed by law.

Specific limitations with respect to FAA's approval of an airport Noise Compatibility Program are delineated in FAR Part 150, Section 150.5. Approval is not a determination concerning the acceptability of land uses under Federal, state, or local law. Approval does not by itself constitute an FAA implementing action. A request for Federal action or approval to implement specific noise compatibility measures may be required, and an FAA decision on the request may require an environmental assessment of the proposed action. Approval does not constitute a commitment by the FAA to financially assist in the implementation of the program nor a determination that all measures covered by the program are eligible for grant-in-aid funding from the

FAA. Where Federal funding is sought, requests for project grants must be submitted to the FAA Airports District Office in Orlando, Florida.

Jacksonville Airport Authority submitted to the FAA on February 14, 2006, the Noise Exposure Maps, descriptions, and other documentation produced during the noise compatibility planning study conducted from August 2004, through November 2005. The Craig Municipal Airport Noise Exposure Maps were determined by FAA to be in compliance with applicable requirements on December 22, 2006. Notice of the determination was published in the **Federal Register** on December 22, 2006.

The Craig Municipal Airport study contains a proposed Noise Compatibility Program comprised of actions designed for phased implementation by airport management and adjacent jurisdictions from the year 2006 to the year 2009. It was requested that FAA evaluate and approve this material as a Noise Compatibility Program as described in Section 47504 of the Act. The FAA began its review of the Program on December 22, 2006, and was required by a provisions of the Act to approve or disapprove the program within 180-days (other than the use of new or modified flight procedures for noise control). Failure to approve or disapprove such program within the 180-day period shall be deemed to be an approval of such program.

The submitted program contained nine (9) proposed actions for noise mitigation on the airport. The FAA completed its review and determined that the procedural and substantive requirements of the Act and FAR part 150 have been satisfied. The overall program, therefore, was approved by the FAA effective May 14, 2007.

Outright approval was granted for eight of the specific program elements. Operational measure number five (5) was approved in part and does not extend to the use of monitoring equipment for enforcement of any voluntary measure.

These determinations are set forth in detail in a Record of Approval signed by the FAA on May 14, 2007. The Record of Approval, as well as other evaluation materials and the documents comprising the submittal, are available for review at the FAA office listed above and at the administrative office of the Jacksonville Airport Authority. The Record of Approval also will be available on-line at: [http://www.faa.gov/airports\\_airtraffic/airports/environmental/airport\\_noise/part\\_150/states/](http://www.faa.gov/airports_airtraffic/airports/environmental/airport_noise/part_150/states/)

Issued in Orlando, Florida on May 22, 2007.

W. Dean Stringer,

Manager, Orlando Airports District Office.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### Tenth Meeting: RTCA Special Committee 203/Minimum Performance Standards for Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Unmanned Aircraft

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of RTCA Special Committee 203, Minimum Performance Standards for Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Unmanned Aircraft.

**SUMMARY:** The FAA is issuing this notice to advise the public of a meeting of RTCA Special Committee 203, Minimum Performance Standards for Unmanned Aircraft Systems and Unmanned Aircraft.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held June 19-21, 2007 from 9-5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at RTCA, Inc., 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805 Washington, DC 20036. *Point of Contact:* Rudy Ruana; *Telephone:* 202-833-9339; e-mail: [rruana@rtca.org](mailto:rruana@rtca.org)

**Note:** Dress is Business Casual.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** (1) RTCA Secretariat, 1828 L Street, NW., Suite 805, Washington, DC, 20036; telephone (202) 833-9339; fax (202) 833-9434; Web site: <http://www.rtca.org>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), notice is hereby given for a Special Committee 203 meeting. The agenda will include:

- June 19:
  - Opening Plenary Session (Welcome and Introductory Remarks, Approval of Ninth Plenary Summary).
  - Review SC-203 Progress Since
  - Presentations to the Plenary.
  - Workgroup 1: Work Plan; boundary Setting; Human Factors Key Consideration.
  - Workgroup 2: UAS Contro and Communications Link Spectrum Consideration: UAS Control and Communications Link Security Considerations.
  - Workgroup 3: Sensor Capabilities Overview; DSA Safety Metrics.
  - Plenary Adjourns.

- Workgroups 1,2, and 3 Breakout.
- June 20:
  - Workgroups 1, 2, and 3 Breakouts.
- June 21:
  - Workgroups 1, 2, and 3 Breakouts.
  - Plenary Reconvenes.
  - Closing Plenary Session (Action Item Review, Other Business, Date, Place and Time of Next Plenary, Adjourn).

Attendance is open to the interested public but limited to space availability. With the approval of the chairmen, members of the public may present oral statements at the meeting. Persons wishing to present statements or obtain information should contact the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT SECTION**. Members of the public may present a written statement to the committee at any time.

Dated: Issued in Washington, DC, on May 21, 2007.

Francisco Estrada C.

RTCA Advisory Committee.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

#### Petition for Waiver of Compliance

In accordance with Part 211 of Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) received a request for a waiver of compliance from certain requirements of its safety standards. The individual petition is described below, including the party seeking relief, the regulatory provisions involved, the nature of the relief being requested, and the petitioner's arguments in favor of relief.

#### The Red River Valley & Western Railroad

[Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2004-17993]

The Red River Valley & Western Railroad (RRVW) has petitioned FRA to grant a waiver of compliance from the Safety Glazing Standards of 49 CFR part 223, for a change within an existing waiver, docket number noted above. The request is to allow Locomotive Number RRVW 1213 to service new business within an extended 25-mile radius of Breckenridge, MN. There has been no record of vandalism or any record of any accident/incident and/or injury to any railroad employee prior to the issuance of the present glazing waiver and up to present time. The track speed will remain the same and will not exceed 25 miles per hour. Most of the

area is remote and not heavily populated.

Interested parties are invited to participate in these proceedings by submitting written views, data, or comments. FRA does not anticipate scheduling a public hearing in connection with these proceedings since the facts do not appear to warrant a hearing. If any interested party desires an opportunity for oral comment, they should notify FRA in writing before the end of the comment period and specify the basis for their request.

All communications concerning these proceedings should identify the appropriate docket number (e.g., Waiver Petition Docket Number FRA-2004-17993) and must be submitted to the Docket Clerk, DOT Docket Management Facility, Room PL-401 (Plaza Level), 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Communications received within 45 days of the date of this notice will be considered by FRA before final action is taken. Comments received after that date will be considered as far as practicable. All written communications concerning these proceedings are available for examination during regular business hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) at the above facility. All documents in the public docket are also available for inspection and copying on the Internet at the docket facility's Web site at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477-78). The Statement may also be found at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

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