The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to amend Class D airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension to Class D surface area at Patuxent River NAS, Patuxent River, MD, to reflect the part-time operations of the airport control tower, establishing in advance the dates and times by a Notice to Airmen, and establish Class E airspace designated as surface areas to provide controlled airspace required to support the SIAPs developed for Patuxent River NAS.

Class D airspace designations, Class E surface airspace designations and Class E airspace designations as extensions to a Class D surface area are published in Paragraph 5000, 6002, and 6004 respectively, of FAA Order 7400.9T, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D and Class E airspace designations listed in this document will 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 proposed rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM’s should contact the FAA’s Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267–9677, to request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11–2A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to amend Class D airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension to Class D surface area at Patuxent River NAS, Patuxent River, MD, to reflect the part-time operations of the airport control tower, establishing in advance the dates and times by a Notice to Airmen, and establish Class E airspace designated as surface areas to provide controlled airspace required to support the SIAPs developed for Patuxent River NAS.

Class D airspace designations, Class E surface airspace designations and Class E airspace designations as extensions to a Class D surface area are published in Paragraph 5000, 6002, and 6004 respectively, of FAA Order 7400.9T, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D and Class E airspace designations listed in this document will 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 proposed rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Persons interested in being placed on a mailing list for future NPRM’s should contact the FAA’s Office of Rulemaking, (202) 267–9677, to request a copy of Advisory Circular No. 11–2A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Distribution System, which describes the application procedure.

The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to amend Class D airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension to Class D surface area at Patuxent River NAS, Patuxent River, MD, to reflect the part-time operations of the airport control tower, establishing in advance the dates and times by a Notice to Airmen, and establish Class E airspace designated as surface areas to provide controlled airspace required to support the SIAPs developed for Patuxent River NAS.

Class D airspace designations, Class E surface airspace designations and Class E airspace designations as extensions to a Class D surface area are published in Paragraph 5000, 6002, and 6004 respectively, of FAA Order 7400.9T, signed August 27, 2009, and effective September 15, 2009, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class D and Class E airspace designations listed in this document will 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 proposed rule, when promulgated, would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.
The FAA's authority to issue rules regarding aviation safety is found in Title 49 of the United States Code. Subtitle I, section 106 describes the authority of the FAA Administrator. Subtitle VII, Aviation Programs, describes in more detail the scope of the agency's authority. This proposed rulemaking is promulgated under the authority described in subtitle VII, part A, subpart I, section 40103. Under that section, the FAA is charged with prescribing regulations to assign the use of airspace necessary to ensure the safety of aircraft and the efficient use of airspace. This proposed regulation is within the scope of that authority as it would amend Class D and existing Class E airspace and establish Class E airspace designated as surface areas at Patuxent River NAS, Patuxent River, MD.

Lists of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

The Proposed Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR part 71 as follows:

PART 71—DESIGNATION OF CLASS A, B, C, D AND E AIRSPACE AREAS; AIR TRAFFIC SERVICE ROUTES; AND REPORTING POINTS

1. The authority citation for 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 7400.9T, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, signed August 27, 2009, effective September 15, 2009, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

* * * * *

AEA MD E2 Patuxent River, MD (New)
Patuxent River NAS (Trapnell Field), MD (Lat. 38°17′30″ N., long. 76°24′59″ W.) Patuxent VORTAC (Lat. 38°17′16″ N., long. 76°24′01″ W.) Patuxent River NDB (Lat. 38°17′09″ N., long. 76°24′11″ W.) Chesapeake Ranch Airpark, MD (Lat. 38°21′40″ N., long. 76°24′19″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within a 4.5-mile radius of Patuxent River NAS (Trapnell Field) and within 1.8 miles each side of the Patuxent VORTAC 045° radial extending from the 4.5-mile radius of Patuxent River NAS to 6.1 miles northeast of the VORTAC; and within 1.8 miles each side of the Patuxent VORTAC 235° radial extending from the 4.5-mile radius to 6.6 miles southeast of the VORTAC; and within 1.8 miles each side of the Patuxent VORTAC 140° radial extending from the 4.5-mile radius to 10.5 miles southeast of the VORTAC; and within a .5-mile radius of Chesapeake Ranch Airpark, excluding that airspace within Restricted Areas R–4005 and R–4007 when active. This Class E airspace area is effective during 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.

* * * * *

Paragraph 6002 Class E Airspace Designated as Surface Areas.

* * * * *

AEA MD E4 Patuxent River, MD (Amended)
Patuxent River NAS (Trapnell Field), MD (Lat. 38°17′30″ N., long. 76°24′59″ W.) Patuxent VORTAC (Lat. 38°17′16″ N., long. 76°24′01″ W.) Patuxent River NDB (Lat. 38°17′09″ N., long. 76°24′11″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 1.8 miles each side of the Patuxent VORTAC 045° radial extending from the 4.5-mile radius of Patuxent River NAS (Trapnell Field) to 6.1 miles northeast of the VORTAC; and within 1.8 miles each side of the Patuxent VORTAC 235° radial extending from the 4.5-mile radius to 6.6 miles southwest of the VORTAC; and within 1.8 miles each side of the Patuxent VORTAC 140° radial extending from the 4.5-mile radius to 10.5 miles southeast of the VORTAC; and within a .5-mile radius of Chesapeake Ranch Airpark, excluding that airspace within Restricted Areas R–4005 and R–4007 when active. This Class E airspace area is effective during 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.

Issued in College Park, Georgia, on July 30, 2010.

Mark D. Ward,
Manager, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Air Traffic Organization.

[FR Doc. 2010–19583 Filed 8–6–10; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 4910–13–P

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71


RIN 2120–AA66

Proposed Revocation of Colored Federal Airway G–4; AK

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM); withdrawal.

SUMMARY: This action withdraws the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) published in the Federal Register on June 8, 2010 (75 FR 32317). In that action, the FAA proposed to remove Federal Airway Green (G–4) in Alaska. The FAA has determined that the withdrawal is warranted since the proposed action was based on the decommissioning of the Wood River Non-directional Beacon near the town of Dillingham, Alaska, which will now remain in service.

DATES: Effective date 0901 UTC, August 9, 2010. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under 1 CFR part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.9 and publication of conforming amendments.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

History

On June 8, 2010, the FAA published in the Federal Register an NPRM proposing to remove Federal Airway G–4 (75 FR 32317), Docket No. FAA–2010–0453. A review of Alaska airspace revealed that numerous aircraft depend on G–4 to support remote communities, therefore the FAA has determined to withdraw the proposed action.