2. Is not a “significant rule” under the DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034, February 26, 1979);
3. Will not affect intrastate aviation in Alaska to the extent that it justifies making a regulatory distinction; and
4. Will not have a significant economic impact, positive or negative, on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

We prepared an economic evaluation of the estimated costs to comply with this proposed AD and placed it in the AD docket.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 39
Air transportation, Aircraft, Aviation safety, Incorporation by reference, Safety.

The Proposed Amendment
Accordingly, under the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the FAA proposes to amend 14 CFR part 39 as follows:

PART 39—AIRWORTHINESS DIRECTIVES

§ 39.13 [Amended]

1. The authority citation for part 39 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701.

§ 39.13 [Amended]

2. The FAA amends § 39.13 by adding the following new airworthiness directive (AD):


(a) Applicability

This AD applies to Model EC 155B and EC155B1 helicopters with lower front fitting part number (P/N) 365A23–4240–01, upper front fitting P/N 365A23–4242–01, lower rear fitting P/N 365A23–4241–01, or upper rear fitting P/N 365A23–4243–01 (fittings) installed, certificated in any category.

(b) Unsafe Condition

This AD defines the unsafe condition as a crack in a fitting. This condition could result in loss of the upper fin during flight and subsequent loss of control of the helicopter.

(c) Compliance

You are responsible for performing each action required by this AD within the specified compliance time.

(d) Required Actions

(1) Within 15 hours time-in-service (TIS) and thereafter at intervals not to exceed 55 hours TIS:

(i) Using an appropriate light source and a 10x or higher power magnifying glass, inspect each front (c) and rear (d) upper fitting and each front (e) and rear (f) lower fitting for a crack as depicted in Figure 1 of Eurocopter Emergency Alert Service Bulletin No. 05A017, Revision 2, dated December 9, 2010 (ASB). Inspect the hatched area as depicted in Details B, C, and D of Figure 2 of the ASB. A high-resolution (more than 2 million pixels) digital camera or dye-penetrant inspection may be used to facilitate the crack inspection.

(ii) If there is a crack in any fitting, before further flight, remove all four fittings from service.

(2) Within 180 hours TIS, remove the fittings from service.


(e) Credit for Actions Previously Completed

Inspections accomplished before the effective date of this AD in accordance with the procedures specified in Eurocopter Emergency Alert Service Bulletin No. 05A017, Revision 2, dated December 9, 2010; Revision 1, dated January 27, 2010; and Revision 0, dated September 28, 2007, are considered acceptable for compliance with the inspection specified in paragraph (d)(1) of this AD.

(f) Special flight permits

Special flight permits will not be issued.

(g) Alternative Methods of Compliance (AMOCs)

(1) The Manager, Safety Management Group, FAA, may approve AMOCs for this AD. Send your proposal to: Robert Grant, Aviation Safety Engineer, Safety Management Group, FAA, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Fort Worth, Texas 76137; telephone 817–222–5110; email robert.grant@faa.gov.

(2) For operations conducted under a 14 CFR part 119 operating certificate or under 14 CFR part 91, subpart K, we suggest that you notify your principal inspector, or in the absence of a principal inspector, the manager of the local flight standards district office or certificate holding district office, before operating any aircraft complying with this AD through an AMOC.

(h) Additional Information

(1) Eurocopter Service Bulletin No. 53–029, Revision 1, dated March 10, 2011, which is not incorporated by reference, contains additional information about the subject of this AD. For service information identified in this AD, contact American Eurocopter Corporation, 2701 N. Forum Drive, Grand Prairie, TX 75052; telephone (972) 641–0000 or (800) 232–0323; fax (972) 641–3775; or at http://www.eurocopter.com/techpub. You may review the referenced service information at the FAA, Office of the Regional Counsel, Southwest Region, 2601 Meacham Blvd., Room 663, Fort Worth, Texas 76137.

(2) The subject of this AD is addressed in European Aviation Safety Agency AD No. 2011–0108, dated June 7, 2011.

(i) Subject


Issued in Fort Worth, Texas, on June 3, 2013.

Kim Smith,
Directorate Manager, Rotorcraft Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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In a report released on May 9, 2012, the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) raised a question about the Department’s practice for determining eligibility under the AIVRS program. The report is titled “Federal Funding for Non-Federally Recognized Tribes,” GAO-12-348, and can be found on the GAO Web site at www.gao.gov/products/GAO-12-348.

In this report, the GAO made a finding that the interpretation of “reservation” used by the Department in determining eligibility for grants under the AIVRS program raised substantial questions for the GAO about the eligibility of State-recognized tribes not located on State reservations but instead located on a defined and contiguous area of land where there is a concentration of tribal members and in which the tribe is providing structured activities and services, such as the tribal service areas identified in a tribe’s grant application. The GAO recommended that the Secretary review the Department’s practices with respect to eligibility requirements for AIVRS grants and take appropriate action with respect to grants made to tribes that do not have Federal or State reservations.

In order to comply with the GAO recommendation, the Secretary will be asking for input from tribal officials, tribal governments, tribal organizations, and affected tribal members regarding a possible change in the Department’s interpretation of “reservation” that would align it with the GAO interpretation. The Secretary’s request for comments on this issue will be published in a separate Federal Register notice.

The Department believes it is advisable to maintain funding to existing AIVRS projects during the time period it is implementing the GAO recommendation. In this regard, in FY 2012, the Department extended through September 30, 2013, the eight projects initially funded in FY 2007. The Department published a notice inviting comments on the proposed waivers and extensions of the project periods for the FY 2007 projects on August 25, 2012 (77 FR 43560), which was adopted in final on September 26, 2012 (77 FR 59085).

The Department is still in the process of determining the appropriate response to the GAO recommendation and we intend to ask tribal officials for their input consistent with Executive Order 13175. Therefore, we have decided not to hold a new AIVRS competition in FY 2013. The Department has determined that it is not advisable to announce a new competition under which entities would be expected to have the burden of proceeding through the application process while the Department reviews the eligibility requirements for this program.

Instead, the Department believes it is preferable to waive the requirements of 34 CFR 75.250 and 34 CFR 75.261(c)(2), which limit project periods to 60 months and restrict project period extensions that involve the obligation of additional Federal funds, for the eight projects initially funded in FY 2007 and the 24 projects initially funded in FY 2008. Section 121(b)(3) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (the Act) provides that RSA has the authority to make an AIVRS grant effective for more than 60 months, pursuant to prescribed regulations. Through this regulatory action, we are proposing to extend the project period for the grants initially funded in FY 2007 and FY 2008 through September 30, 2014.

The proposed waivers and extensions would enable the 32 AIVRS grantees to request funds and continue to receive Federal funds beyond the 60-month limitation set by 34 CFR 75.250, while the Department determines the appropriate course of action in response to the GAO recommendation. The Department believes that the maintenance of the status quo during this process is in the public interest.

If these proposed waivers and extensions are made final for the 32 AIVRS grantees, RSA will base its decisions regarding annual continuation awards on the program narratives, budgets, budget narratives, and program performance reports submitted by these 32 AIVRS grantees, and on the requirements in 34 CFR 75.253. Any activities to be carried out during the year of continuation awards must be consistent with, or be a logical extension of, the scope, goals, and objectives of each grantee’s application, as approved following the 2007 and 2008 AIVRS grant competitions. If we publish the proposed waivers and extensions as final, we would award continuation grants to each grantee that is making substantial progress in performing its AIVRS grant activities.

The proposed waivers of 34 CFR 75.250 and 34 CFR 75.261(c)(2) and extensions of the project periods, would not exempt the 32 AIVRS grantees from the appropriation account-closing provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1552(a), nor would they extend the availability of funds previously awarded to the 32 AIVRS grantees past the five years provided for in 31 U.S.C. 1552(a). Under 31 U.S.C. 1552(a), appropriations available for a limited period may be used for payment of valid obligations for only five years after the expiration of their period of availability for Federal obligation. After that time, the unexpended balance of those funds is canceled and returned to the U.S. Treasury Department and is unavailable for restoration for any purpose (31 U.S.C. 1552(b)).

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

The Department certifies that the proposed waivers and extensions would not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 50, 51, 70 and 71

[FR Doc. 2010–08865; FRL–9823–8]

Implementation of the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone: State Implementation Plan Requirements

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: The EPA is announcing a public hearing to be held for the proposed rule “Implementation of the 2008 National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone: State Implementation Plan Requirements”, which was published in the Federal Register on June 6, 2013. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2013, in Washington, DC.

DATES: The public hearing will be held on June 25, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The June 25, 2013, hearing will be held at the EPA Ariel Rios North Building, Room 1332, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20460. The public hearing will convene at 9 a.m. and continue until 6 p.m. (local time) or later, if necessary, depending on the number of speakers wishing to participate. The EPA will make every effort to accommodate all speakers that arrive and register before 6 p.m. A lunch break is scheduled from 12:30 p.m. until 2 p.m. The EPA Web site for the rulemaking, which includes the proposal and information about the public hearing, can be found at: http://www.epa.gov/air/ozonepollution/actions.html#impl.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you would like to speak at the public hearing, please contact Ms. Pamela Long, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, OAQPS, Air Quality Planning Division, (C504–03), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541–0641, fax number (919) 541–5509, email address long.pam@epa.gov, no later than June 24, 2013. If you have any questions relating to the public hearing, please contact Ms. Long at the above number.

Questions concerning the June 6, 2013, proposed rule should be addressed to Dr. Karl Pepple, U.S. EPA, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, State and Local Programs Group, (C539–01), Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone number (919) 541–2683, email at pepple.karl@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The June 6, 2013, notice of proposed rulemaking proposes to implement the 2008 ozone national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) (the ‘‘2008 ozone NAAQS’’) that were promulgated on March 12, 2008. The proposed rule addresses a range of state implementation plan requirements for the 2008 ozone NAAQS, including requirements pertaining to attainment demonstrations, reasonable further progress, reasonably available control technology, reasonably available control measures, new source review requirements in nonattainment areas, emission inventories, and the timing of state implementation plan (SIP) submissions and of compliance with emission control measures in the SIP. Other issues also addressed in the proposed rule are the revocation of the 1997 ozone NAAQS and anti-backsliding requirements that would apply when the 1997 ozone NAAQS is revoked.

Public hearing: The proposal for which EPA is holding the public hearing was published in the Federal Register on June 6, 2013, (78 FR 34178) and is available at: http://www.epa.gov/air/ozonepollution/actions.html#impl and also in the docket identified below. The public hearing will provide interested parties the opportunity to present data, views, or arguments concerning the proposal. Because this hearing is being held at a U.S. government facility, individuals planning to attend the hearing should be prepared to show valid picture identification to the security staff in order to gain access to the meeting room. In addition, you will need to obtain a property pass for any personal belongings you bring with you. Upon leaving the building, you will be required to return this property pass to the security desk. No large signs will be allowed in the building, cameras may only be used outside of the building, and demonstrations will not be allowed on federal property for security reasons. The EPA may ask clarifying questions during the oral presentations, but will not respond to the presentations at that time. Written statements and supporting information submitted during the comment period will be considered with the same weight as any oral comments and supporting information presented at the public hearing. Written comments on the proposed rule must be postmarked by August 5, 2013.

Commenters should notify Ms. Long if they will need specific equipment, or if there are other special needs related to providing comments at the hearing. The EPA will provide equipment for

Dated: June 6, 2013.

Michael K. Yudin,
Delegated the authority to perform the functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitation Services.

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