air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

# The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 by:

Amending Class D airspace at Choctaw NOLF, Milton, FL, by adjusting the geographic coordinates of the airport and the Santa Rosa TACAN navigation aid to be in concert with the FAA's aeronautical database. This proposal also would make an editorial change replacing the city associated with the airport name in the airspace designation from Pensacola, to Milton, to comply with a recent change to FAA Order 7400.2L, Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters, dated October 12, 2017. Also, this action would replace the outdated term "Airport/Facility Directory" with the term "Chart Supplement" in the airspace legal description;

Establishing Class E surface area airspace at Choctaw NOLF, Milton, FL, for the safety of aircraft landing and departing the airport after the air traffic control tower closes; and

Amending Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Choctaw NOLF, Milton, FL, by adjusting the geographic coordinates of the airport to be in concert with the FAA's aeronautical database. This proposal also would make an editorial change in the airspace designation from Choctaw Outlying Field, FL, to Milton,

Class D and E airspace designations are published in Paragraphs 5000, 6002, and 6005, respectively of FAA Order 7400.11B, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017, 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.

# Regulatory Notices and Analyses

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, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

#### **Environmental Review**

This proposal will be subject to an environmental analysis in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, "Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures" prior to any FAA final regulatory action.

#### Lists 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, 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:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(f), 106(g); 40103, 40113, 40120; E.O. 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959-1963 Comp., p. 389.

#### §71.1 [Amended]

■ 2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

# ASO FL D Milton, FL [Amended]

Choctaw NOLF, FL

(Lat. 30°30'25" N, long. 86°57'35" W) Santa Rosa TACAN

(Lat. 30°36′55" N, long. 86°56′15" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,600 feet MSL within a 2.5-mile radius of Choctaw NOLF and within 1.5 miles each side of the Santa Rosa TACAN 188° radial, extending from the 2.5-mile radius to 10.5 miles south of the TACAN; excluding that airspace within Restricted Area R-2915A. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

Paragraph 6002 Class E Surface Area Airspace.

# ASO FL E2 Milton, FL [New]

Choctaw NOLF, FL (Lat. 30°30'25" N, long. 86°57'35" W) Santa Rosa TACAN

(Lat. 30°36′55" N, long. 86°56′15" W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within a 2.5-mile radius of Choctaw NOLF and within 1.5 miles each side of the Santa Rosa TACAN 188° radial, extending from the 2.5-mile radius to 10.5 miles south of the TACAN; excluding that airspace within Restricted Area R-2915A. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established by a Notice to Airmen. The effective date and time will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

Paragraph 6005 Class E Airspace Areas Extending Upward From 700 Feet or More Above the Surface of the Earth.

#### ASO FL E5 Milton, FL [Amended]

Choctaw NOLF, FL

(Lat. 30°30′25″ N, long. 86°57′35″ W)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.7-mile radius of Choctaw NOLF.

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#### Rvan W. Almasv,

Manager, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Air Traffic Organization. [FR Doc. 2018-04324 Filed 3-2-18: 8:45 am]

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# **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

# **Federal Aviation Administration**

# 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2017-1159; Airspace Docket No. 17-ASO-23]

# **Proposed Amendment of Class D and** E Airspace; Jacksonville, NC

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking

(NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to amend Class D airspace associated with New River Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS), at Jacksonville, NC, by establishing controlled airspace at Albert J. Ellis Airport. This proposal would provide the controlled airspace required for the new air traffic control tower at Albert J. Ellis Airport for the safety and management of instrument flight rules (IFR) operations. This action also would update the geographic coordinates of New River MCAS in Class D and E airspace, replace the outdated term "Airport/Facility Directory" with the term "Chart Supplement", and make an editorial change to the airspace designation.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 19, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on this rule to: U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Bldg, Ground Floor, Rm. W12–140, Washington, DC 20590; Telephone: (202) 366–9826. You must identify the Docket Number FAA–2017–1159; Airspace Docket No. 17–ASO–23, at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit and review received comments through the internet at http://www.regulations.gov.

FAA Order 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed on line at http://www.faa.gov/air traffic/publications/. For further information, you can contact the Airspace Policy Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783. The Order is also available for inspection at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of FAA Order 7400.11B at NARA, call (202) 741-6030, or go to https:// www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ ibr-locations.html.

FAA Order 7400.11, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, is published yearly and effective on September 15.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Fornito, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, P.O. Box 20636, Atlanta, Georgia 30320; telephone (404) 305–6364.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# Authority for This Rulemaking

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 regulation is within the scope of that authority as it would establish Class D airspace at Albert J. Ellis Airport, Jacksonville, NC, to support the new air traffic control tower at the airport.

# **Comments Invited**

Interested persons are invited to comment on this rule 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 both docket numbers and be submitted in triplicate to DOT Docket Operations (see ADDRESSES section for the address and phone number.) You may also submit comments through the internet at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>.

Persons wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments on this action must submit with those comments a self-addressed stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. FAA–2017–1159; Airspace Docket No. 17–ASO–23." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received 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 the comments received. All comments submitted will be available for examination in the public docket both before and after the comment closing date. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerned with this rulemaking will be filed in the docket.

# Availability of NPRMs

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from and comments submitted through http://www.regulations.gov. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA's web page at http://www.faa.gov/air\_traffic/publications/airspace amendments/.

You may review the public docket containing the proposal, any comments received, and any final disposition in person in the Dockets Office (see the **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number) between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An informal docket may also be examined between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays at the office of the Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 350, 1701 Columbia Avenue, College Park, Georgia 30337.

# Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order 7400.11B, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017. FAA Order 7400.11B is publicly available as listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11B lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

# The Proposal

The FAA is considering an amendment to Title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 to amend Class D airspace associated with New River MCAS, Jacksonville, NC. This proposal would establish Class D airspace up to and including 2,600 feet MSL within a 4.2-mile radius of Albert J. Ellis Airport, Jacksonville, NC, providing the controlled airspace required for IFR operations supporting the new air traffic control tower.

The geographic coordinates of New River MCAS also would be adjusted to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

Additionally, an editorial change would be made, removing the city associated with New River MCAS, in the airspace designation for Class D airspace and Class E airspace designated as an extension, to comply with a recent change to FAA Order 7400.2L, Procedures for Handling Airspace Matters, dated October 12, 2017.

Finally, this action would make an editorial change in the legal description for the classes above replacing "Airport/Facility Directory" with "Chart Supplement".

Class D and E airspace designations are published in Paragraphs 5000 and 6004, respectively, of FAA Order 7400.11B, dated August 3, 2017, and effective September 15, 2017, 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.

# **Regulatory Notices and Analyses**

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

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#### **Environmental Review**

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Paragraph 5000 Class D Airspace.

# ASO NC D Jacksonville, NC [Amended]

New River MCAS, NC (Lat. 34°42′30″ N, long. 77°26′23″ W) Albert J. Ellis Airport, NC

(Lat. 34°49′45″ N, long. 77°36′44″ W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,500 feet MSL within a 5-mile radius of New River MCAS, and that airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 2,600 feet MSL within a 4.2-mile radius of Albert J. Ellis Airport. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific days and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective days and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

Paragraph 6004 Class E Airspace Designated as an Extension to a Class D Surface Area.

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#### ASO NC E4 Jacksonville, NC [Amended]

New River MCAS, NC

(Lat. 34°42′30″ N, long. 77°26′23″ W) New River TACAN

(Lat.  $34^{\circ}42'26''$  N, long.  $77^{\circ}26'25''$  W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface within 3.2 miles each side of New River TACAN 239° radial, extending from the 5-mile radius of New River MCAS to 7 miles southwest of the TACAN. This Class E airspace area is effective during the specific days and times established in advance by a Notice to Airmen. The effective days and times will thereafter be continuously published in the Chart Supplement.

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Manager, Operations Support Group, Eastern Service Center, Air Traffic Organization. [FR Doc. 2018–04326 Filed 3–2–18; 8:45 am]

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

**Coast Guard** 

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG-2018-0032]

RIN 1625-AA00

Safety Zone; Cooper River Bridge Run, Cooper River, and Town Creek Reaches, Charleston, SC

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking.

**SUMMARY:** The Coast Guard proposes to establish a safety zone on the waters of Cooper River and Town Creek Reaches in Charleston, South Carolina during the Cooper River Bridge Run. The Cooper River Bridge Run is a 10-K run across the Arthur Ravenel Bridge. The safety zone is necessary for the safety of the runners and the general public during this event. This proposed rulemaking would prohibit persons and vessels from entering, transiting through, anchoring in, or remaining within the safety zone unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Charleston or a designated representative. We invite your comments on this proposed rulemaking.

**DATES:** Comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before March 20, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG—2018–0032 using the Federal

eRulemaking Portal at http:// www.regulations.gov. See the "Public Participation and Request for Comments" portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for further instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this proposed rulemaking, call or email Lieutenant Justin Heck, Sector Charleston Office of Waterways Management, Coast Guard; telephone (843) 740–3184, email Justin.C.Heck@uscg.mil.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
DHS Department of Homeland Security
E.O. Executive order
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
Pub. L. Public Law
§ Section
U.S.C. United States Code
COTP Captain of the Port

#### II. Background, Purpose, and Legal Basis

On January 11, 2018, the Coast Guard was notified by the City of Charleston about the Cooper River Bridge 10–K Run, which will be held on April 7, 2018, and will impact waters of the Cooper River and Town Creek Reaches in Charleston, South Carolina. The purpose of this proposed rule is to ensure the safety of the runners, the general public, and vessels on the navigable waters during the scheduled event.

The Coast Guard is requesting that interested parties provide comments within a shortened comment period of 15 days instead of a standard 30 days for this notice of proposed rulemaking.

The Coast Guard believes a shortened comment period is necessary and reasonable because the safety zone is necessary to ensure the safety of event participants, the general public, vessels and these navigable waters during the race. Any delay in making this final rule effective by allowing comments for more than 15 days would not be in the best interest of public safety.

The Coast Guard proposes this rulemaking under authority in 33 U.S.C. 1231.

# III. Discussion of Proposed Rule

The Coast Guard proposes to establish a safety zone on the waters of the Cooper River and Town Creek Reaches in Charleston, South Carolina from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on April 7, 2018, during the Cooper River Bridge Run. The duration of the zone is intended to ensure the safety of event participants,