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#### (j) Related Information

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(2) The subject of this AD is addressed in Direction Generale De L'Aviation Civile (France) ADs 2001-588-047(A) R1, dated December 26, 2001, and 2001-587-041(A) R2, dated January 8, 2003. You may view those ADs on the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov> in the AD Docket.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

#### 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2021-0360; Airspace Docket No. 21-AEA-6]

RIN 2120-AA66

#### Proposed Amendment of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; Northeast United States

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to amend VOR Federal airways V-39 and V-93 in support of the Northeast Corridor Atlantic Coast Route (NEC ACR), and the VOR Minimum Operational Network (VOR MON) Projects.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before July 6, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments on this proposal to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590; telephone: 1 (800) 647-5527 or (202) 366-9826. You must identify FAA Docket No. FAA-

2021-0360; Airspace Docket No. 21-AEA-6 at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

FAA Order 7400.11E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at [https://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/publications/](https://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/). For further information, you can contact the Rules and Regulations 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 7400.11E at NARA, email: [fedreg.legal@nara.gov](mailto:fedreg.legal@nara.gov) or go to <https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Gallant, Rules and Regulations Group, Office of Policy, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20591; telephone: (202) 267-8783.

#### 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 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 the 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 amend ATS routes to improve the efficiency of the NAS.

##### 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 both docket numbers (FAA Docket No. FAA-

2021-0360; Airspace Docket No. 21-AEA-6) and be submitted in triplicate to the Docket Management Facility (see **ADDRESSES** section for address and phone number). You may also submit comments through the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Commenters 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 FAA Docket No. FAA-2121-0360; Airspace Docket No. 21-AEA-6." The postcard will be date/time stamped and returned to the commenter.

All communications received on or before the specified comment closing date will be considered before taking action on the proposed rule. The proposal contained in this action may be changed in light of 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 through the internet at <https://www.regulations.gov>. Recently published rulemaking documents can also be accessed through the FAA's web page at [https://www.faa.gov/air\\_traffic/publications/airspace\\_amendments/](https://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 **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 during normal business hours at the office of the Eastern Service Center, Federal Aviation Administration, Room 210, 1701 Columbia Ave., College Park, GA 30337.

##### Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order 7400.11E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated July 21, 2020, and effective September 15, 2020. FAA Order 7400.11E is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this proposed rule. FAA Order 7400.11E lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace

areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

### Background

Federal airways V-39 and V-93 were originally part of a larger proposal that was published in the **Federal Register** for Docket No. FAA-2020-1146 (86 FR 5046; January 19, 2021). No comments were received in response to that NPRM. Subsequent to the publication of the NPRM, an FAA flight inspection of an airway fix (defined by the intersection of the Barnes, MA (BAF) VORTAC 279°, and the Chester, MA (CTR) VOR/DME 223° radials), could not be completed due to technical reasons. Because the fix would be common to both airways, the proposed amendments of V-39 and V-93 were removed from Docket No. FAA-2020-1146 and delayed to a later date in order to address the airway fix issue.

The FAA determined that the fix defined by the intersection of the Barnes, MA, and Chester, MA, radials (described above) could be removed from the route descriptions because it did not mark a turn point on the routes.

As a difference from the original NPRM, the FAA proposes to retain the affected route segments of V-39 and V-93 to Chester, MA, (as described below) rather than ending the route segments prior to Chester.

### The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 to amend VOR Federal airways V-39 and V-93 as follows.

**V-39:** V-39 currently extends between Sandhills, NC, and Mont Joli, PQ, Canada. The FAA proposes to remove the airway segments between Chester, MA, and Augusta, ME. As amended, V-39 would consist of two parts: From Sandhills, NC, to Chester, MA; followed by a gap in the route; then from Augusta, ME to Mont Joli, PQ, Canada.

**V-93:** V-93 currently consists of two parts: From Patuxent River, MD, to the intersection of the Wilkes Barre, PA, 037° and the Sparta, NJ, 300° radials; and from the intersection of the Sparta, NJ, 018° and the Kingston, NY, 270° radials, to Bangor, ME. This action would remove the segments between Chester, MA, and Bangor, ME. As amended, V-93 would consist of two parts: From Patuxent River, MD, to the intersection of the Wilkes Barre, PA, 037° and the Sparta, NJ, 300° radials; followed by a gap; then from the intersection of the Sparta, NJ, 018° and the Kingston, NY, 270° radials, to Chester, MA.

Full route descriptions of the proposed amended routes are listed in “The Proposed Amendment” section of this notice.

VOR Federal airways are published in paragraph 6010(a) of FAA Order 7400.11E dated July 21, 2020, and effective September 15, 2020, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The RNAV routes listed in this document would be subsequently published in the Order.

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

### 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 Department of Transportation (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.

### 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, 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 FAA Order 7400.11E, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated July 21, 2020, and effective September 15, 2020, is amended as follows:

*Paragraph 6010(a) Domestic VOR Federal Airways.*

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### V-39 [Amended]

From Sandhills, NC, South Boston, VA; Gordonsville, VA; INT Gordonsville 331° and Martinsburg, WV, 216° radials; Martinsburg; Lancaster, PA; East Texas, PA; Sparta, NJ; Carmel, NY; INT Carmel 045° and Bridgeport, CT, 343° radials; INT Bridgeport 343° and Chester, MA, 223° radials; to Chester, MA. From Augusta, ME; Millinocket, ME; Presque Isle, ME; Mont Joli, PQ, Canada, excluding the portion within Canada.

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### V-93 [Amended]

From Patuxent River, MD, INT Patuxent 013° and Baltimore, MD, 122° radials; Baltimore; INT Baltimore 004° and Lancaster, PA, 214° radials; Lancaster; Wilkes-Barre, PA; to INT Wilkes-Barre 037° and Sparta, NJ 300° radials. From INT Sparta 018° and Kingston, NY, 270° radials; Kingston; Pawling, NY; to Chester, MA.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Aviation Administration

### 14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2021-0296; Airspace Docket No. 21-ASW-6]

RIN 2120-AA66

### Proposed Amendment of Class E Airspace; Palestine, TX

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

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

**SUMMARY:** This action proposes to amend the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Palestine Municipal Airport, Palestine, TX. The FAA is proposing this action as the result of an airspace review due to the decommissioning of the Palestine non-directional beacon (NDB). The geographical coordinates of the airport would also be updated to