environments. However, the Class E airspace is not required because there are no IFR procedures published for Creech AFB Airport.

This action also proposes two administrative updates to the Class D legal description. The second line of the text header should be updated from “Indian Springs Air Force Auxiliary Field, NV” to “Creech AFB Airport, NV”, to match the FAA database. Additionally, the third line of the text header should be updated from “(lat. 36°35′14″ N, long. 115°40′24″ W)” to “(lat. 36°35′11″ N, long. 115°40′39″ W)”, to match the FAA database. Class D and Class E5 airspace designations are published in paragraphs 5000, and 6005, respectively, 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 Class E airspace designation listed in this document will be published subsequently 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 regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current, is non-controversial, and unlikely to result in adverse or negative comments. 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 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.

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

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

§ 71.1 [Amended]

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR part 71 continues to read as follows:


§ 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 5000 Class D Airspace.

AWP NV D Indian Springs, NV [Amended]

Creech AFB Airport, NV

(Lat. 36°35′11″ N, long. 115°40′39″ W)

That airspace extending upward from the surface to and including 5,700 feet MSL within a 5-mile radius of the airport, excluding Restricted Area R–4806W. This Class D airspace area is effective during the specific dates and times established in advance 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.

AWP NV E Indian Springs, NV [Revoked]

Indian Springs Air Force Auxiliary Field, NV

(Lat. 36°35′14″ N, long. 115°40′24″ W)

Issued in Des Moines, Washington, on July 23, 2021.

Maria A. Aviles,

Acting Group Manager, Operations Support Group, Western Service Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Parts 166 and 167

[Docket No. USCG–2021–0345]

Port Access Route Study: The Pacific Coast From Washington to California

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notification of study; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is conducting a Port Access Route Study (PARS) to evaluate safe access routes for the movement of vessel traffic proceeding to or from ports or places along the western seaboard of the United States and to determine whether a Shipping Safety Fairway (“Fairway”) and/or routing measures should be established, adjusted or modified. The PARS will evaluate the continued applicability of, and the need for modifications to, current vessel routing measures. The data gathered during this Pacific Coast PARS (PACPARS) may result in the establishment of one or more new vessel routing measures, modification of existing routing measures, or disestablishment of existing routing measures off the Pacific Coast between Washington and California. To assist us in conducting the PACPARS, we invite your responses to questions in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section. The recommendations of the study may consider future rulemaking action or potential international agreements.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received on or before January 25, 2022.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2021–0345 using the Federal eRulemaking Portal https://www.regulations.gov. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION section for further instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this notification of study, call or email LCDR Sara Conrad, Coast Guard Pacific Area (PAC–54), U.S. Coast Guard; telephone (510) 437–3813, email Sara.E.Conrad@uscg.mil or Mr. Tyrone Conner, Eleventh Coast Guard District (dpw), U.S. Coast Guard; telephone (510) 437–2968, email Tyrone.L.Conner@uscg.mil or Mr. John Moriarty, Thirteenth Coast Guard District (dpw), U.S. Coast Guard; telephone (206) 220–7274, email John.F.Moriarty@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

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II. Background, Purpose, and Legal Basis

A. Requirement for PARS: Under the Ports and Waterways Safety Act, (PWSA) (46 U.S.C. 70003(c)(1)), the Commandant of the Coast Guard shall designate necessary fairways \(^1\) and traffic separations schemes (TSSs) to provide safe access routes for vessels proceeding to and from United States ports. The designation of fairways and TSSs recognizes the paramount right of navigation over all other uses in the designated areas.

The PWSA requires the Coast Guard to conduct a PARS, i.e. a study of potential traffic density and the need for safe access routes for vessels, before establishing or adjusting fairways or TSSs. Through the study process, we must coordinate with Federal, State, and foreign state agencies (as appropriate) and consider the views of maritime community representatives, environmental groups, and other interested stakeholders. A primary purpose of this coordination is, to the extent practicable, to reconcile the need for safe access routes with other reasonable waterway uses such as construction and operation of renewable energy facilities and other uses of the Pacific Ocean in the study area.

B. Previous Port Access Route Studies:

The approaches to San Francisco, CA, were last studied in 2009, and the final results were published in the \(^{2}\) Federal Register on June 20, 2011 (76 FR 67395). The study was conducted to evaluate the continued applicability of and the potential need for modifications to the traffic separation schemes.

However, there has never been a PARS conducted for the entire Pacific coast of the United States designed to analyze all vessel traffic proceeding to and from all ports and transiting through the United States EEZ.

C. Need for a New Port Access Route Study: Given the current forecasted development of aquaculture farms, offshore renewable energy, commercial space ports/re-entry sites, expansion of marine sanctuaries, development of ports supporting Panamax vessels, potential LNG ports and additional increasing commercial traffic, the Coast Guard has determined that a PACPARS needs to be conducted. This PARS will focus on the coastwise shipping routes and near coastal users of the Pacific Ocean between the coastal ports, and the approaches to coastal ports within the EEZ. This PACPARS will help the Coast Guard determine what impact, if any, the siting, construction and operation of new developments may have on existing near coastal users of the Pacific Ocean, and the potential impact of shipping to other maritime users. To ensure safety of navigation, the Coast Guard will determine the impacts of rerouting traffic, funneling traffic, and placement of structures that may obstruct navigation. Some of the impacts may include increased vessel traffic density, more restricted offshore vessel routing, fixed navigation obstructions, underwater cable hazards, and economic impacts. Analyzing the various impacts will require a thorough understanding of the interrelationships of shipping, other commercial and recreational uses, and port operations. The goal of the PACPARS is to enhance navigational safety by examining existing shipping routes and waterway uses, and, to the extent practicable, reconciling the paramount right of navigation within designated port access routes with other waterway uses such as the development of aquaculture farms, offshore renewable energy, commercial space ports/re-entry sites, marine sanctuaries, ports supporting Panamax vessels, potential LNG ports and additional commercial vessel traffic.

III. Information Requested

Timelines, Study Area, Focus, and Process: Coast Guard Pacific Area Command will conduct PACPARS and should take several years to complete. The study area will encompass all vessel traffic patterns approaching and departing major ports along the west coast to include all current Traffic Separation Schemes and vessel maneuvering along the Pacific Coast from Washington to California and all federal navigable waters out to the EEZ. The PACPARS will focus on vessel traffic and navigation mitigation techniques to improve and support safe navigation transits within the major Pacific Coast Ports and the United States EEZ.

As part of this study, we will analyze current and historical vessel traffic, fishing vessel information, agency and stakeholder experience in vessel traffic management, navigation, ship handling, and effects of weather. We encourage you to participate in the study process by submitting comments in response to this document.

We will publish the results of the PARS in the \(^{2}\) Federal Register. It is possible that the study may validate existing vessel routing measures and conclude that no changes are necessary. It is also possible that the study may recommend one or more changes to enhance navigational safety and the efficiency of vessel traffic. The recommendations may lead to future rulemakings or appropriate international agreements.

Possible Scope of the Recommendations: We are attempting to determine the scope of any safety concerns associated with vessel transits in the study area. The information gathered during the study should help us identify concerns and mitigating solutions. Considerations might include: (1) Maintain the current vessel routing measures; (2) modify the existing traffic separation schemes; (3) create one or more precautionary areas; (4) create one or more inshore traffic zones; (5) establish area(s) to be avoided; (6) create deep-draft routes; (7) establish Regulated Navigation Areas (RNA) with specific vessel operating requirements to ensure safe navigation near shallow water; (8) identify any other appropriate ships’ routing measures; (9) use this study for future decisions on routing measures or other maritime traffic considerations and; (10) use this study to inform other agencies concerning the impacts of their future endeavors.

Questions: To help us conduct the PARS, we request information that will help answer the following questions, although comments on other issues addressed in this document are also welcome. In responding to a question, please explain your reasons for each answer and follow the instructions under “Public Participation and Request for Comments” above.

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\(^1\) Fairway or shipping safety fairway is a lane or corridor in which no artificial island or fixed structure, whether temporary or permanent, will be permitted. Temporary underwater obstacles may be permitted under certain conditions described for specific areas. Aids to navigation approved by the Coast Guard may be established in a fairway. See 33 CFR 166.105(a).

\(^2\) For details on the Federal Register, see 40 CFR 3500.1 and 50 CFR 3500.3.
IV. Public Participation and Request for Comments

We encourage you to submit comments through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at https://www.regulations.gov. If your material cannot be submitted using https://www.regulations.gov, contact the person in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this document for alternate instructions. If you submit comments, please include the docket number for this notification of study and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation.

We accept anonymous comments. All comments received will be posted without change to https://www.regulations.gov and will include any personal information you have provided. For more about privacy and submissions in response to this document, see DHS’s eRulemaking System of Records (85 FR 14226, March 11, 2020).

Documents mentioned in this notification of study as being available in the docket, and all public comments, will be in our online docket at https://www.regulations.gov and can be viewed by following that website’s instructions. Additionally, if you go to the online docket and sign up for email alerts, you will be notified when comments are posted.

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Michael F. McAllister,
Vice Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard, Commander, Pacific Area.

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Copyright Royalty Board

37 CFR Part 385

[Docket No. 21–CRB–0001–PR (2023–2027)]

Determination of Rates and Terms for Making and Distributing Phonorecords (Phonorecords IV)

AGENCY: Copyright Royalty Board, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: Because of technical issues with the electronic filing system, the Copyright Royalty Judges are reopening the comment period in connection with a proposed partial settlement and proposed regulations that set certain rates and terms applicable during the period beginning January 1, 2023, and ending December 31, 2027, for the section 115 statutory license for making and distributing phonorecords of nondramatic musical works. Comments were due by July 26, 2021. 86 FR 33601 (June 25, 2021). Some filers experienced technical difficulties filing their comments in eCRB. The CRB is aware of the problem and is working on a solution. The Judges therefore extend the deadline for filing comments to August 10, 2021.

Jesse M. Feder,
Chief Copyright Royalty Judge.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52


Air Plan Approval; Maine; Chapter 100 Definitions and Chapter 113 Growth Offset Regulations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve a State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision submitted by the State of Maine. This revision amends the definition of “Ozone Transport Region” in the State’s Chapter 100 Definitions Regulation and revises language in the State’s Chapter 113 Growth Offset Regulation regarding applicability of Nonattainment New Source Review in areas that, at a future date, may not be within the Ozone Transport Region. This action is being taken under the Clean Air Act (CAA).