DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2020-0365; Airspace Docket No. 20-ASW-4]

RIN 2120-AA66

Amendment of Class E Airspace; Harrison, AR

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This action amends Class E surface airspace, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Boone County Airport, Harrison, AR, due to the decommissioning of the (HRO) RWY 36 Outer Marker (OM) and Compass Locator and cancellation of associated approaches. Controlled airspace is necessary for the safety and management of instrument flight rules (IFR) operations in the area. This action also updates the airport’s designator by removing the city from the second line of the header.

DATES: Effective 0901 UTC, November 5, 2020. The Director of the Federal Register approves this incorporation by reference action under Title 1 Code of Federal Regulations part 51, subject to the annual revision of FAA Order 7400.11 and publication of conforming amendments.

ADDRESSES: FAA Order 7400.11D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online 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 7400.11D at NARA, email fedreg.legal@nara.gov or go to https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html.

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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 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 amends Class E airspace at Boone County Airport, Harrison, AR to support IFR operations in the area.
History

The FAA published a notice of proposed rulemaking in the FEDERAL REGISTER (85 FR 33590, June 2, 2020) for Docket No. FAA-2020-0365 to amend Class E surface airspace, by removing the southern extension, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface, by amending the southern extension and eliminating the northwest extension, at Boone County Airport, Harrison, AR. In addition, the FAA proposed to update the airport’s descriptor, and replace the outdated term Airport/Facility Directory with the term Chart Supplement.

Interested parties were invited to participate in this rulemaking effort by submitting written comments on the proposal to the FAA. No comments were received.

Class E airspace designations are published in Paragraph 6005, of FAA Order 7400.11D, dated August 8, 2019, and effective September 15, 2019, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The Class E airspace designations listed in this document will be published subsequently in the Order.

Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document amends FAA Order 7400.11D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 8, 2019, and effective September 15, 2019. FAA Order 7400.11D is publicly available as listed in the ADDRESSES section of this document. FAA Order 7400.11D lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic routes, and reporting points.
The Rule

This amendment to Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 71 amends Class E surface airspace, by removing the southern extension, and Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface, by amending the southern extension and eliminating the northwest extension, at Boone County Airport, Harrison, AR, due to the decommissioning of the (HRO) RWY 36 Outer Marker (OM) and Compass Locator. The FAA found that BAKKY NDB has been decommissioned, and the Harrison VOR approach no longer exists. This results in airspace redesign for Boone County Airport. In addition, the FAA updates the airport’s descriptor by removing the unnecessary city name. Also, the FAA replaces the outdated term Airport/Facility Directory with the term Chart Supplement. These changes are necessary for continued safety and management of IFR operations in the area.

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. 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 minimal. Since this is a routine matter
that only affects air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this rule, when promulgated, does not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Environmental Review

The FAA has determined that this action qualifies for categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act in accordance with FAA Order 1050.1F, “Environmental Impacts: Policies and Procedures,” paragraph 5-6.5a. This airspace action is not expected to cause any potentially significant environmental impacts, and no extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant preparation of an environmental assessment.

Lists of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air)

Adoption of the Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration amends 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
7400.11D, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 8, 2019, effective September 15, 2019, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6002. Class E Surface Airspace.

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**ASW AR E2 Harrison, AR**
Boone County Airport, AR
(lat. 36°15'41"N., long. 93°09'17"W.)

That airspace within a 4.3-mile radius of Boone County Airport. This Class E 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.

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**ASW AR E5 Harrison, AR**
Boone County Airport, AR
(lat. 36°15'41"N., long. 93°09'17"W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.8-mile radius of Boone County Airport and within 4-miles each side of the 183° bearing from the airport extending form the 6.8-mile radius to 11.7 miles south of the airport.

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