

2021 and effective September 15, 2021, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The RNAV route listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

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Regulatory Notices and Analyses

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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

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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 JO 7400.11F, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 10, 2021, and effective September 15, 2021, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6011 United States Area Navigation Routes.

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T-267 Nome, AK to ZISDU, AK [Amend]

Table with 3 columns: Location, Type, and Coordinates. Rows include NOME, AK (OME) VOR/DME, BALIN, AK WP, KOTZEBUE, AK (OTZ) VOR/DME, SICOV, AK WP, NWIAF, AK WP, BTURN, AK WP, PODKE, AK WP, JODGU, AK WP, and ZISDU, AK WP.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

14 CFR Part 71

[Docket No. FAA-2021-0813; Airspace Docket No. 19-AAL-74]

RIN 2120-AA66

Proposed Amendment of United States Area Navigation (RNAV) Route T-275; Bethel, AK

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

SUMMARY: This action proposes to amend United States Area Navigation (RNAV) route T-275 in the vicinity of Bethel, AK in support of a large and

comprehensive T-route modernization project for the state of Alaska.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 22, 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-2021-0813; Airspace Docket No. 19-AAL-74 at the beginning of your comments. You may also submit comments through the internet at https://www.regulations.gov. FAA Order JO 7400.11F, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, and subsequent amendments can be viewed online at 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 JO 7400.11F at NARA, email:

fr.inspection@nara.gov or go to https://www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher McMullin, 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 expand the availability of RNAV in Alaska and improve the efficient flow of air traffic within the National Airspace System (NAS) by lessening the

dependency on ground based navigation.

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-2021-0813; Airspace Docket No. 19-AAL-74) 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-2021-0813; Airspace Docket No. 19-AAL-74." 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 NPRM

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/.

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 Western Service Center, Operations Support Group, Federal Aviation Administration, 2200 South 216th St., Des Moines, WA 98198.

Availability and Summary of Documents for Incorporation by Reference

This document proposes to amend FAA Order JO 7400.11F, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 10, 2021, and effective September 15, 2021. FAA Order JO 7400.11F is publicly available as listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this document. FAA Order JO 7400.11F lists Class A, B, C, D, and E airspace areas, air traffic service routes, and reporting points.

Background

In 2003, Congress enacted the Vision 100-Century of Aviation Reauthorization Act (Pub L., 108-176), which established a joint planning and development office in the FAA to manage the work related to the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen). Today, NextGen is an ongoing FAA-led modernization of the nation's air transportation system to make flying safer, more efficient, and more predictable.

In support of NextGen, this proposal is part of a larger and comprehensive T-route modernization project in the state of Alaska. The project mission statement states: "To modernize Alaska's Air Traffic Service route structure using satellite based navigation Development of new T-routes and optimization of existing T-routes will enhance safety, increase efficiency and access, and will provide en route continuity that is not subject to the restrictions associated with ground based airway navigation." As part of this project, the FAA evaluated the existing Colored Airway structure for: (a) Direct replacement (*i.e.*, overlay) with a T-route that offers a similar or lower Minimum En route Altitude (MEA) or Global Navigation Satellite System Minimum En route Altitude (GNSS MEA); (b) the replacement of the colored airway with a T-route in an optimized but similar geographic area, while retaining similar or lower MEA; or (c) removal with no route structure (T-route) restored in that area because the value was determined to be insignificant.

The aviation industry/users have indicated a desire for the FAA to transition the Alaskan en route navigation structure away from dependency on Non-Directional Beacons (NDB), and move to develop and improve the RNAV route structure.

The FAA proposes to amend RNAV route T-275 by extending it to the south to provide an alternate routing for Colored airway B-7. B-7 utilizes Oscarville, AK, (OSE) and Cape Newenham, AK, (EHM) NDBs, which are on the scheduled decommission list. Additionally, the proposed amendments would provide for lower MEAs while also ensuring that the appropriate route criteria is met along the entire route.

The Proposal

The FAA is proposing an amendment to 14 CFR part 71 to amend RNAV route T-275 in the vicinity of Bethel, AK in support of a large and comprehensive T-route modernization project for the state of Alaska. The proposed route changes are described below.

T-275: T-275 currently extends from Bethel, AK, (BET) to Unalakleet, AK, (UNK). The FAA proposes to extend the route south from BET to provide alternate navigation for Colored airway B-7. The segment between BET and UNK would also change adding an additional turn point, taking the airway slightly to the west to allow for better route connectivity with proposed and current T-routes.

United States Area Navigation Routes are published in paragraph 6011 of FAA Order JO 7400.11F dated August 10, 2021 and effective September 15, 2021, which is incorporated by reference in 14 CFR 71.1. The RNAV route listed in this document would be published subsequently in the Order.

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T-275 ZIKNI, AK to Unalakleet, AK [Amended]

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| ZIKNI, AK | WP | (Lat. 58°39'21.69" N, long. 162°04'25.48" W) |
| BETHEL, AK (BET) | VORTAC | (Lat. 60°47'05.41" N, long. 161°49'27.59" W) |
| DAVBE, AK | WP | (Lat. 61°50'52.64" N, long. 161°30'41.89" W) |
| UNALAKLEET, AK (UNK) | VOR/DME | (Lat. 63°53'30.99" N, long. 160°41'03.39" W) |

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**Internal Revenue Service****26 CFR Part 54**

[REG-107707-21]

RIN 1545-BQ02

Requirements Related to Surprise Billing; Part II

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury (Treasury Department) and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) are proposing regulations that provide for a federal independent dispute resolution (IDR) process to permit group health plans and nonparticipating providers, facilities, and providers of air ambulance services to determine the out-of-network rate for items and services that are emergency services, nonemergency services furnished by nonparticipating providers at participating facilities, and air ambulance services furnished by nonparticipating providers of air ambulance services, under certain circumstances. Elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register**, the IRS is issuing the temporary regulations that correspond to this proposal at the same time that the Office of Personnel

The Proposed Amendment

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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:

Management (OPM), the Employee Benefits Security Administration of the Department of Labor (DOL), and the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) are issuing substantially similar interim final rules with request for comments. The text of those temporary regulations also serves as the text of these proposed regulations.

DATES:

Comment date: To be assured consideration, comments must be received at one of the addresses provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on December 6, 2021.

Applicability date: It is proposed that these regulations apply for plan years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

ADDRESSES: In commenting, please refer to file code REG-107707-21. Comments, including mass comment submissions, must be submitted in one of the following two ways (please choose only one of the ways listed):

1. *Electronically.* You may submit electronic comments on this regulation to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the "Submit a comment" instructions.

2. *By mail.* You may mail written comments to the following address **ONLY:** Office of Health Plan Standards and Compliance Assistance, Employee Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Room N-5653, Washington, DC 20210, Attention: RIN 1210-AB00.

Please allow sufficient time for mailed comments to be received before the close of the comment period.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kari DiCecco, (202) 317-5500, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

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.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Inspection of Public Comments: All comments received before the close of the comment period are available for viewing by the public, including any personally identifiable or confidential business information that is included in a comment. We post all comments received before the close of the comment period on the following website as soon as possible after they have been received: <http://regulations.gov>. Follow the search instructions on that website to view public comments.

Background and Regulatory Impact Analysis

The Treasury Department and the IRS propose to amend paragraphs (a), (c), (d), and (g) of § 54.9815-2719 of the Miscellaneous Excise Tax Regulations to expand the scope of claims eligible for external review to include adverse benefit determinations related to compliance with the surprise billing and cost-sharing protections under the No Surprises Act.

The Treasury Department and the IRS also propose to add §§ 54.9816-8 and 54.9817-2 to establish a federal IDR process that nonparticipating providers or facilities, nonparticipating providers of air ambulance services, and group health plans may use following the end of an unsuccessful open negotiation period to determine the out-of-network rate for certain services.

The temporary regulations published elsewhere in this issue of the **Federal Register** add §§ 54.9815-2719T, 54.9816-8T, and 54.9817-2T. The proposed and temporary regulations are being published as part of a joint rulemaking with the OPM, DOL, and HHS. The text of temporary sections added elsewhere also serves as the text of the corresponding sections proposed