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 controlled airspace at Tecumseh Municipal Airport, Tecumseh, NE.

Environmental Review

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

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71


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

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of FAA Order 7400.9W, Airspace Designations and Reporting Points, dated August 8, 2012, and effective September 15, 2012, is amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

ACE NE E5 Tecumseh, NE [New]

Tecumseh Municipal Airport, NE (Lat. 40°24′03″ N., long. 96°10′14″ W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6.3-mile radius of Tecumseh Municipal Airport.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Chapter I

46 CFR Chapter I

[Docket No. USCG–2012–0866]

Updates to Voluntary Consensus Standards Incorporated by Reference

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: Many of the Coast Guard’s regulations incorporate industry standards. The Coast Guard is reviewing these regulations to determine whether they contain outdated standards and, if so, whether and how these regulations should be updated to incorporate more current standards. We request comments from the public on which current industry standards should be incorporated, which currently incorporated standards are outdated, and how the Coast Guard should ensure incorporated standards are kept current.

DATES: Comments and related material must be received on or before February 28, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2012–0866 using any one of the following methods:

(2) Fax: 202–493–2251.

(4) Hand delivery: Same as mail address above, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The telephone number is 202–366–9329.

To avoid duplication, please use only one of these four methods. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section
below for instructions on submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have questions on this request for comments, call or email Mr. Roger Butturini, Office of Standards Evaluation and Development, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 202–372–1494, email Roger.K.Butturini@uscg.mil. If you have questions on viewing or submitting material to the docket, call Renee V. Wright, Program Manager, Docket Operations, telephone 202–366–9826.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Request for Comments**

If you submit a comment, please include the docket number for this rulemaking (USCG–2012–0866), indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and provide a reason for each suggestion or recommendation. You may submit your comments and material online (via http://www.regulations.gov), or by fax, mail, or hand delivery, but please use only one of these means.

**Submitting Comments**

If you submit a comment online via http://www.regulations.gov, it will be considered received by the Coast Guard when you successfully transmit the comment. If you fax, hand deliver, or mail your comment, it will be considered as having been received by the Coast Guard when it is received at the Docket Management Facility. We recommend that you include your name and a mailing address, an email address, or a phone number in the body of your document so that we can contact you if we have questions regarding your submission.

To submit your comment online, go to http://www.regulations.gov, type the docket number (USCG–2012–0866) and click “Search.” Then click “Submit a Comment.” If you submit your comments by mail or hand delivery, submit them in an unbound format, no larger than 8½ by 11 inches, suitable for copying and electronic filing. If you submit comments by mail and would like to know that they reached the Facility, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed postcard or envelope.

We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period and may change this proposed rule based on your comments.

**Viewing Comments and Documents**

To view comments, as well as documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov, type the docket number (USCG–2012–0866) and click “Search.” Click the “Open Docket Folder” in the “Actions” column. You may also visit the Docket Management Facility in Room W12–140 on the ground floor of the Department of Transportation West Building, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. We have an agreement with the Department of Transportation to use the Docket Management Facility.

A list of material the Coast Guard has incorporated by reference may be viewed online using the Standards Incorporated by Reference (SIBR) Database maintained by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). To view the list online, go to http://standards.gov/sibr/query/index.cfm. At the top of that page, click the tab marked “Regulatory.” Then, in the line marked “Incorporated By,” use the drop-down menu to select “Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Coast Guard” and click “Search.”

**Privacy Act**

Anyone can search the electronic form of comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review a Privacy Act notice regarding our public dockets in the January 17, 2008, issue of the Federal Register (73 FR 3316).

**Background and Purpose**

The National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act (NTTAA) (15 U.S.C. 272 note) directs agencies to use voluntary consensus standards in their regulatory activities unless the agency provides Congress, through the Office of Management and Budget, with an explanation of why using these standards would be inconsistent with applicable law or would otherwise be impractical. Voluntary consensus standards are technical standards (e.g., specifications of materials, performance, design, or operation; test methods; sampling procedures; and related management systems practices) that are developed or adopted by voluntary consensus standards bodies. The Coast Guard has actively participated in the development of industry standards for safety of marine equipment at the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), ASTM International, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), and 42 other international and domestic standards development organizations.

When appropriate, the Coast Guard incorporates industry standards, and particularly voluntary consensus standards, into its regulations. This process, known as incorporation by reference, gives the content of incorporated standards the same force as regulations published in the Code of Federal Regulations. A list of standards the Coast Guard has incorporated by reference is available as described in the “Viewing comments and documents” section of this request for comments.

Incorporation by reference occurs as part of a rulemaking and is governed by specific rules, which are available at 1 CFR part 51. Under these rules the Coast Guard may only incorporate a specific edition of a standard, and that standard must be reasonably available to the class of persons affected by it. Because standards organizations revise and replace standards over time, the specific edition incorporated by the Coast Guard eventually may become outdated, unavailable to the class of persons affected by it, or both. This can lead to conflicts between domestic and international requirements, or between regulatory requirements and modern best practices. Therefore, the Coast Guard reviews its incorporations by reference and updates them if necessary.

In the past the Coast Guard has included these updates in its individual, topic-driven rulemaking efforts. The Coast Guard is interested, however, in conducting one or more rulemakings devoted specifically to updating references to standards that are incorporated in its regulations.

**Request for Comments**

Through this request for comments, the Coast Guard solicits public comments on whether Coast Guard regulations incorporate standards that should be updated, which current standards should replace those already incorporated, and how the Coast Guard should ensure incorporated standards are kept current. Your experiences with incorporated standards will help us decide which references to update in our regulations, and which revisions should receive priority. In your response to this request for comments, we encourage you to include the following information if possible:

1. If you are aware of an incorporated standard that is outdated, please provide its full title and publication number, the reasons you believe it is outdated, the standard you suggest should replace it, and the reasons that standard is the best choice. Please be as specific as possible when describing the differences between the incorporated standard and the suggested replacement,
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Parts 52 and 81

Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; Redesignation of the Ohio Portion of the Wheeling Area to Attainment of the 1997 Annual Standard for Fine Particulate Matter

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: On April 16, 2012, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency submitted a request for EPA to approve the redesignation of the Ohio portion of the Wheeling, West Virginia-Ohio (WV-OH), nonattainment area to attainment of the 1997 annual standard for fine particulate matter (PM$_{2.5}$). EPA is proposing to approve Ohio’s request. EPA is proposing to determine that the entire Wheeling West Virginia-Ohio area attains the 1997 annual PM$_{2.5}$ standard, based on the most recent three years of certified air quality data. EPA is proposing to approve, as revisions to the Ohio State Implementation Plan (SIP), the state’s plan for maintaining the 1997 annual PM$_{2.5}$ National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) through 2022 in the Ohio portion of the area. EPA is proposing to approve a 2005 emissions inventory for the Ohio portion of the Wheeling area as meeting the comprehensive emissions inventory requirement of the Clean Air Act (CAA or Act). Ohio’s maintenance plan submission includes an insignificance finding for the mobile source contribution of PM$_{2.5}$ and nitrogen oxides (NO$_x$) to Ohio’s portion of the Wheeling PM$_{2.5}$ Area for transportation conformity purposes; EPA agrees with this finding and proposes to determine the insignificance of the 2022 motor vehicle emission budget (MVEB) for the Ohio portion of the Wheeling area for transportation conformity purposes.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 31, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA–R05–OAR–2012–0338, by one of the following methods:
1. www.regulations.gov: Follow the on-line instructions for submitting comments.
2. Email: blakley.pamela@epa.gov.
3. Fax: (312) 692–2450.
5. Hand Delivery: Pamela Blakley, Chief, Control Strategies Section (AR–18J), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. Such deliveries are only accepted during the Regional Office normal hours of operation, and special arrangements should be made for deliveries of boxed information. The Regional Office official hours of business are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. excluding Federal holidays.

Instructions: Direct your comments to Docket ID No. EPA–R05–OAR–2012–0338. EPA’s policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at www.regulations.gov, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Certain other material, such as copyrighted material, will be publicly available only in hard copy. Publicly available docket materials are available either electronically in www.regulations.gov or in hard copy at the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, Air and Radiation Division, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois 60604. This facility is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. We recommend that you telephone Anthony Maietta, Environmental Protection Specialist, at (312) 353–8777 before visiting the Region 5 office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anthony Maietta, Environmental Protection Specialist, Control Strategies Section, Air Programs Branch (AR–18J), Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5, 77 West Jackson Boulevar, Chicago, Illinois 60604, (312) 353–8777, maietta.anthony@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This supplementary information section is arranged as follows:
I. What should I consider as I prepare my comments for EPA?
II. What actions is EPA proposing to take?
III. What is the background for these actions?
IV. What are the criteria for redesignation to attainment?
V. What is EPA’s analysis of the state’s request?
1. Attainment
2. The Area Has Met All Applicable Requirements under Section 110 and