

Final Documents/Your Two Cents—January, 2026

This list includes Federal Register (FR) publications such as rules, Advisory Circulars (ACs), policy statements and related material of interest to ARSA members. The date shown is the date of FR publication or other official release. Proposals opened for public comment represent your chance to provide input on rules and policies that will affect you. Agencies must provide the public notice and an opportunity for comment before their rules or policies change. Your input matters. Comments should be received before the indicated due date; however, agencies often consider comments they receive before drafting of the final document begins.

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January 2, 2026

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

(from 12/29/2025 – 01/02/2026)

AD: [Airbus SAS Airplanes](#)

Published 12/29/2025

Docket #: FAA- 2025-5390

Effective date

01/13/2026

This AD continues to require the actions of AD 2025-13-12. This AD also requires installation of the flight control and guidance system (FCGS) primary computer (PRIM) P14.1.3 and secondary computer (SEC) S14.1.2 software standards and prohibits installation of earlier software standards.

AD: [Leonardo S.p.A. Helicopters](#)

Published 12/29/2025

Docket #: FAA- 2025-5392

Effective date

01/13/2026

This AD requires accomplishing repetitive engine acceleration checks and, depending on the results, replacing the rear pneumatic line and inspecting the fuel control unit (FCU), and accomplishing any necessary corrective actions. This AD also requires replacing certain parts if the engine acceleration check exceeds the maximum limit, which terminates the repetitive acceleration checks. If the limits do not exceed the maximum limit, this AD would allow this replacement as an optional terminating action. Additionally, this AD prohibits installing an affected engine or FCU on a helicopter unless certain requirements are met.

AD: [Aerospace & Defense Oxygen Systems SaS \(Part of Safran Aerosystems\)](#) (Formerly Known as Air Liquide)

Published 12/30/2025 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5400 Effective date
02/13/2026

This AD requires incorporating updated procedures for donning the PBE.

AD: Airbus Helicopters

Published 01/02/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-2273 Effective date
02/06/2026

This AD requires revising the existing maintenance manual or instructions for continued airworthiness and the existing approved maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, by incorporating new or more restrictive airworthiness limitations.

AD: Airbus Helicopters

Published 01/02/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-0612 Effective date
02/06/2026

This AD requires repetitively tap inspecting the MRB and, depending on the results, repairing or replacing the MRB. This AD also prohibits installing those MRB unless certain requirements are met.

AD: Airbus Helicopters Deutschland GmbH Helicopters

Published 01/02/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-2274 Effective date
02/06/2026

This AD requires performing an inspection of the affected hoist hook and affected hook nut and, depending on the results of the inspection, replacing the affected hoist hook and affected hook nut. This AD also prohibits installing an affected assembly (hoist hook attached to the hook damper) on any helicopter, and prohibits installing an affected hoist hook on any helicopter unless it is installed using updated procedures.

AD: General Electric Company Engines

Published 01/02/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-1364 Effective date
02/06/2026

This AD requires replacement of affected HPT stage 1 and HPT stage 2 disks with parts eligible for installation.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM: Modification of Class E Airspace; Denver International Airport, Denver, CO

Published 12/30/2025 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5384 Comments due
02/13/2026

This action proposes to modify the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface, and remove the Class E airspace extending upward from 1,200 feet above the surface, at Denver International Air/port, Denver, CO.

NPRM: Modification of Class E Airspace; Ketchikan International Airport, Ketchikan, AK

Published 12/30/2025

Docket #: FAA- 2025-5579;

**Comments due
M02/13/2026**

This action proposes to modify the Class E airspace area designated as a surface area for an airport and the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Ketchikan International Airport, Ketchikan, AK.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

FAA Draft Advisory Circulars

AC: Engine Overtorque Test, Calibration Test, Endurance Test, and Teardown Inspection for Turbine Engine Certification (§§ 33.84, 33.85, 33.87, and 33.93)

Issued 01/02/2026

Document #: AC 33.87-1A

Comment date

Chg 1

01/30/2026

This advisory circular (AC) change updates the references provided in the original document and aligns the content with current terminology and regulatory language.

Orders

Order: ICAO THREE LETTER DESIGNATOR (3LD) "CLS" AND ASSOCIATED CALL SIGN "CLEMENS"

Issued 12/29/2025 Document #: JO 7340.889

THE FOLLOWING ADDITION TO JO 7340.2, CONTRACTIONS, CHAPTER 3, SECTIONS 1, 2, AND 3 IS APPROVED FOR "CLS" / "CLEMENS":

Order: ICAO THREE LETTER DESIGNATOR (3LD) "BSM" AND ASSOCIATED CALL SIGN "BLUE STORM"

Issued 12/29/2025 Document #: JO 7340.890

THE FOLLOWING ADDITION TO JO 7340.2, CONTRACTIONS, CHAPTER 3, SECTIONS 1, 2, AND 3 IS APPROVED FOR "BSM" / "BLUE STORM":

Order: ICAO THREE LETTER DESIGNATOR (3LD) "MNL" AND ASSOCIATED CALL SIGN "MOUNT LION"

Issued 12/29/2025 Document #: JO 7340.888

THE FOLLOWING ADDITION TO JO 7340.2, CONTRACTIONS, CHAPTER 3, SECTIONS 1, 2, AND 3 IS APPROVED FOR "MNL" / "MOUNT LION":

Notices

Notice: Extension of Comment Period of Proposed Voluntary Agreement for Golden Gate National Recreation Area, San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, Point Reyes National Seashore, and Muir Woods National Monument

Published 12/31/2025 Document #: 2025-24122 Comments due 01/09/2026
The FAA, in cooperation with the National Park Service (NPS), announces the extension of the public comment period on the proposed Voluntary Agreement for Golden Gate National Recreation Area, San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, Point Reyes National Seashore, and Muir Woods National Monument from January 2, 2026, to January 9, 2026.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Honda Research Institute USA, Inc.

Published 12/29/2025 Document #: 2025-23839 Comments due 01/20/2026
Description of Relief Sought: Honda Research Institute (HRI) USA, Inc. seeks an exemption from 14 Code of Federal Regulations to allow it to operate an electronic vertical takeoff and landing (eVTOL) vehicle, referred to as the F1, for purposes of research and development. HRI is seeking relief from the day visual flight rules (VFR) fuel requirement, because the total flight time for the F1 is less than the day VFR requirements.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Redstar Air Shows, Inc. dba Patriots Jet Team

Published 12/29/2025 Document #: 2025-23840 Comments due 01/20/2026
Description of Relief Sought: Relief from 91.319(c) to allow operation of a L39 Camera Jet with an experimental aircraft certificate to film a flyover over a densely populated area or congested area.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Victor Lee & Associates, Inc.

Published 12/29/2025 Document #: 2025-23838 Comments due 01/20/2026
Description of Relief Sought: Petitioner is requesting to amend their current Exemption No. 23635 to permit reduced horizontal separation from 100 feet to a minimum of 50 feet for consenting filming personnel on closed-set operations. Petitioner states that all reduced-distance operations will occur exclusively within a sterile, access-controlled set with no public presence within or beyond the 500 feet buffer.

Notice: Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Galaxy Unmanned Systems, LLC; Correction

Published 12/30/2025 Document #: 2025-23915 Comments due 01/20/2026
Description of Relief Sought: Galaxy Unmanned Systems, LLC. requested an amendment to Exemption No. 23205 that would add a new aircraft, GC80-E4, to conduct operations at night, to operate flight over people, and to operate within 500 feet of stadium structures to provide live broadcast, commercial aerial advertising, and commercial payload carrying

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments; Clearance of a New Approval of Information Collection: Designated Pilot Examiners: Post Activity Survey

Published 12/29/2025 Document #: 2025-23770 Comments due 02/27/2026

The collection includes a voluntary survey for pilots evaluated by private citizens who have been granted examination authority by the FAA.

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Survey of Airman Satisfaction With Aeromedical Certification Services

Published 12/29/2025 Document #: 2025-23891 Comments due 01/22/2026

The collection involves soliciting feedback from airmen on service quality of Aeromedical Certification Services. The information to be collected will be used to inform improvements in Aeromedical Certification Services.

Draft Master Minimum Equipment List

M MEL: Pilatus Aircraft Ltd.

**Updated
12/30/2025**

Revision X Draft X

**Comments due
M/D/YYYY**

January 5, 2026

FAA Final Rules

Emergency AD: Airbus SAS Airplanes

Published 01/05/2026

Docket #: FAA-2025-5395

**Effective date
01/06/2026**

This emergency AD requires replacement or modification of each affected elevator aileron computer (ELAC). The emergency AD also prohibits the installation of affected parts on certain airplane configurations. The FAA previously sent an emergency AD to all known U.S. owners and operators of these airplanes.

AD: Airbus SAS Airplanes

Published 01/05/2026

Docket #: FAA-2025-1721

**Effective date
02/09/2026**

This AD requires repetitive detailed inspections and, depending on findings, corrective action(s).

AD: ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Régional Airplanes

**Published
01/05/2026**

**Docket #:
FAA-2025-
2269**

**Effective
date
02/09/2026**

This AD requires revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate new or more restrictive airworthiness limitations.

AD: [ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Régional Airplanes](#)

Published	Docket #:	Effective
01/05/2026	FAA-2025-2270	date
		02/09/2026

This AD requires revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate new or more restrictive airworthiness limitations.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: [General Atomics AeroTec Systems GmbH \(Type Certificate Previously Held by RUAG Aerospace Services GmbH\) Airplanes](#)

Published	Docket #:	Comments due
01/05/2026	FAA-2025-5401	02/19/2026

This proposed AD would require replacing the affected hydraulic pump motor with an improved design hydraulic pump motor. This proposed AD would also prohibit installing an affected hydraulic pump motor on any airplane.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Notices

Notice: [Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period for the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment for Drone Package Delivery Operations in the United States](#)

Published 01/05/2026 Document #: 2025-24237 Comments due 01/23/2026

On December 9, 2025, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) published a notice of availability (NOA) in the Federal Register announcing a public comment period for the draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) related to unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) (drone) package delivery operations in the United States. FAA is extending the comment period on the draft PEA. The FAA announces an extension of the public comment period until January 23, 2026.

January 6, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

Press Releases

[Trump's Transportation Secretary Duffy & FAA Administrator Bedford Announce Radar Contracts as Part of Brand-New Air Traffic Control System](#)

U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy and FAA Administrator Bryan Bedford today announced the FAA will replace the nation's aging radar system. Replacing this network of ground-based radars, which are crucial for detecting and tracking aircraft, will enhance the safety and efficiency of our skies.

**FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)
No aviation-related postings for today.**

January 7, 2026

FAA Proposed Rules

AD: [De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Limited \(Type Certificate Previously Held by Bombardier, Inc.\) Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/07/2025 Docket #: FAA-2025-5402 Effective date
02/23/2026**

This proposed AD would require replacing bushings and installing new washers on the elevator PCU arm fitting assembly, installing doublers at the front spar of the elevator structure assembly, replacing horizontal stabilizer rear spar elevator PCU fittings, and applicable on-conditions actions.

AD: [Gulfstream Aerospace LP Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/07/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-5404 Effective date
02/23/2026**

This proposed AD would require retrofitting the flight controls empennage electrical harness.

NPRM: [Requirements for Interference-Tolerant Radio Altimeter Systems](#)

**Published 01/07/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5666 Effective date
03/09/2026**

In July 2025, President Trump signed the One Big Beautiful Bill Act. Section 40002 of that law re-institutes the Federal Communications Commission's general auction authority and specifically directs the Commission to complete a system of competitive bidding for not less than 100 megahertz in the 3.98-4.2 gigahertz band (Upper C-band).

January 8, 2026

FAA Final Rules

AD: [DAHER AEROSPACE \(Type Certificate Previously Held by SOCATA\) Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/08/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-2265 Effective date
02/12/2026**

This AD retains the requirements of AD 2007-06-11 and includes a new optional terminating action for the repetitive inspections.

AD: [Diamond Aircraft Industries GmbH Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/08/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-2263 Effective date
02/12/2026**

This AD requires revising the existing airplane flight manual (AFM) for your airplane to provide the flight crew with revised operating limitations, emergency procedures, and normal operating procedures; modifying the airplane; and repetitively inspecting the door latching and safety hooks for correct engagement, foreign objects, damage (including but not limited to corrosion and wear that exceeds specified limits), and proper function.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: [Airbus Helicopters](#)

**Published 01/08/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0007 Comments due
02/23/2026**

This proposed AD would require revising the airworthiness limitations section (ALS) of the existing maintenance manual (MM) or instructions for continued airworthiness and the existing approved maintenance or inspection program.

NPRM AD: [Airbus Helicopters](#)

**Published 01/08/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0006 Comments due
02/23/2026**

This proposed AD would require revising the airworthiness limitations section (ALS) of the existing maintenance manual (MM) or instructions for continued airworthiness (ICAs) and the existing approved maintenance or inspection program, as applicable.

FAA Special Conditions

SC: [ZeroAvia, Inc. Model ZA601 Electric Engines](#)

**Published 01/08/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-2409 Effective date
02/09/2026**

The design feature is an electrical system that will power a mechanical rotating shaft to provide propulsion for airplanes which will be certified separately from the engine. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Draft Flight Standardization Board/Operational Suitability Report

FSB: FSBR H-60 R00058SE Rev 0, Northwest Rotorcraft, LLC UH-60A (TCDS R00058SE)

Updated 01/08/2026

Revision 0 Draft X

**Comments due
01/28/2026**

January 9, 2026

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

Press Releases

Trump's Transportation Secretary Duffy & FAA Administrator Bedford Announce Two New Designated Sites for Testing Drones and Other Unmanned Aircraft Systems

U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy and Federal Aviation Administrator Bryan Bedford today announced two new test sites for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS). The sites, which will be located in The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma and Indiana Economic Development Corporation, are the first new UAS testing grounds in nearly a decade.

FAA Regulations

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: Airbus Helicopters

Published 01/09/2026

Docket #: FAA-2026-0008

Comments due
02/23/2026

This proposed AD would require replacing the ELRS container assembly. This proposed AD would prohibit installing an affected ELRS container assembly unless certain requirements are met.

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 01/09/2026

Docket #: FAA-2026-0008

Comments due
02/23/2026

This proposed AD would require measuring the freeplay of the horizontal stabilizer pivot hinges and the jackscrew, and applicable on-condition actions.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

FAA Draft Advisory Circulars

AC: AC 33.87-1A Chg 1, Engine Overtorque Test, Calibration Test, Endurance Test, and Teardown Inspection for Turbine Engine Certification (§§ 33.84, 33.85, 33.87, and 33.93)

Issued 01/09/2026

Document #: AC 33.87-1A
Chg 1

Comment date
01/30/2026

This advisory circular (AC) change updates the references provided in the original document and aligns the content with current terminology and regulatory language.

AC: [AC 20-199, Installation of an Airborne Low-Range Radio Altimeter System](#)

Issued 01/09/2026

Document #: AC 20-199

Comment date

02/09/2026

This advisory circular (AC) provides guidance for the installation of a radio altimeter (RA) system to comply with the requirements of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 91.220(b), for operation in the airspace of the 48 contiguous United States (U.S.) and the District of Columbia.

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: [8900.1,CHG1019](#)

Issued 01/08/2026

19, Section 5. This change adds guidance for training related to pilot spatial disorientation (SD) in order to comply with National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) and industry recommendations.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Opinions and Orders

Opinion: [Bryan Bedford v. Byron Gray](#)

Served 01/08/2026

Docket #: NA-30255

On December 12, 2025, petitioner filed a withdrawal of appeal. Petitioner had filed a timely Notice of Appeal following the administrative law judge's rendering of his Order Not Accepting Petition in this matter on March 12, 2025.

Opinion: [Bryan Bedford v. Tiron Alexander](#)

Served 12/17/2025

Docket #: NA-30283

Respondent filed a motion requesting a stay of the Immediately Effective Order of Revocation issued on November 21, 202 by the FAA. Consistent with those authorities, the Administrator is required to issue an immediately effective order revoking an airman's certificates following a request from the TSA and notice of the TSA's determination that the certificate holder poses or is suspected of posing a risk of air piracy, terrorism, or threat to airline or passenger safety.

January 12, 2026

FAA Final Rules

AD: [Baykar Piaggio Aerospace S.p.A. \(Type Certificate Previously Held by Piaggio Aviation S.p.A.\) Airplanes](#)

Published 01/12/2026

Docket #: FAA- 2025-2272

Effective date 02/17/2026

This AD requires replacing the affected flexible hydraulic hoses. This AD also prohibits installing the affected flexible hydraulic hoses on any airplane.

AD: International Aero Engines LLC Engines

Published 01/12/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-0480 Effective date 02/17/2026

This AD requires removal of one loop cushion clamp from the hydraulic fuel pressure fuel oil cooler fuel tube assembly (CP09 tube assembly), replacement of the thermal management system (TMS) clevis mounts with redesigned TMS clevis mounts, and reinstallation of the loop cushion clamp, as applicable.

AD: Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG Engines

Published 01/12/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5398 Effective date 01/27/2026

This AD requires repetitive borescope inspections (BSIs) of the HPC rear drum cavity and cavities between each HPC rotor disc, and depending on the results of inspection, removal of the engine from service. This AD also allows an alternative method of complying with the repetitive BSIs if certain actions are accomplished.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class C Airspace; Wichita Mid-Continent Airport, Wichita, KS

Published 01/12/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-4939 Effective date 03/19/2026

This action amends the Class C airspace description for the former Wichita Mid-Continent Airport, Wichita, KS, to update the airport name to the "Wichita Dwight D. Eisenhower National Airport" to match the FAA's National Airspace System Resources (NASR) database information.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: Airbus SAS Airplanes

Published 01/12/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0009 Comments due
02/26/2026

This proposed AD would require repetitive inspections for the nominal design condition of the fastener holes in the pressure deck membrane to center wing box attachment and, as applicable, an inspection for cracking at the affected area and corrective actions.

NPRM AD: The Boeing Company Airplanes

Published 01/12/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0010 Comments due
02/26/2026

This proposed AD would require an inspection of the outboard lower wing skin on the left and right wing for any repair, repetitive inspections for cracking and applicable on-condition actions.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Special Airworthiness Information Bulletins (SAIB)

SAIB: [Pitot/Static Anti-Ice System](#)

Issued 01/08/2026 SAIB #: 2026-01

This Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin advises owners and operators of The Boeing Company Model 737-200/-300/-400/-500 airplanes of the potential for air data probe heaters to remain powered while on ground.

Notices

Notice: [Draft FAA Transition Plan to Unleaded Aviation Gasoline](#)

Published 01/12/2026 Document #: 2026-00296 Comments due 03/13/2026

2024 FAA Reauthorization Act, Section 827, directed FAA to develop a formal Transition Plan to unleaded Avgas. The FAA is seeking public comments on the draft FAA Transition Plan to Unleaded Aviation Gasoline to facilitate a structured, safe, timely, coordinated, and orderly transition to unleaded aviation gasoline alternatives while maintaining the operational efficiency of the general aviation fleet.

January 13, 2026

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

Press Releases

Super Bowl LX: What General Aviation Pilots Need to Know

The FAA will issue a Notice to Airmen (NOTAM) later in January about the procedures for the game and specific arrival and departure route requirements.

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

AD: [Honda Aircraft Company LLC Airplanes](#)

Published 01/13/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-1355 Effective date
02/17/2026

This AD requires replacing the affected left and right aileron fixed balance weights with reduced geometry fixed balance weights.

Final Rule: [Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments](#)

Published 01/13/2026 Docket #: 31643 Effective date
01/13/2026

This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPS) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. See chart below.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Notices

Notice: [Notice of Intent of Waiver With Respect to Land; Indianapolis Downtown Heliport, Indianapolis, IN](#)

Published 01/13/2026 Document #: 2026-00480 Comments due 02/12/2026

The FAA is considering a proposal to permanently close the Indianapolis Downtown Heliport and change 5.36 acres of land from aeronautical use to non-aeronautical use and to authorize the sale of all heliport property located at the Indianapolis Downtown Heliport (8A4), Indianapolis, Indiana.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments: Clearance of a New Approval of Information Collection: Pilot Medical Disclosure Decision Making Model for Safety Risk Assessment Survey](#)

Published 01/13/2026 Document #: 2026-00485 Comments due 01/09/2026

The collection involves a short online survey gathering information on medical disclosure behaviors of working pilots. The information to be collected will be used to update the current safety risk assessments for integration into the Aviation Safety (AVS), Office of Aviation Medicine (AAM) Safety Risk Management process.

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FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

Press Releases

FAA Notifies Southern Aircraft Consultancy Inc. (SACI) to Surrender All Aircraft Registration Certificates

The FAA officially notified Southern Aircraft Consultancy Inc. (SACI) that all its aircraft registration certificates are invalid because the company was in violation of U.S. citizenship requirements when it submitted the registration applications. The FAA instructed SACI to surrender all the certificates.

FAA Regulations

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM: [Amendment of Class D Airspace and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Fort Worth, TX](#)

Published 01/13/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-3718 Effective date 03/02/2026

This action proposes to amend the Class D airspace and establish Class E airspace at Fort Worth, TX. The name and geographic coordinates of Fort Worth Meacham International Airport, Fort Worth, TX, and the name of Fort Worth NAS ^[1] JRB

(Carswell Field), Fort Worth, TX, would also be updated to coincide with the FAA's aeronautical database.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Guidance documents

Notices

Notice: Sunshine Act Meeting

Published 01/14/2026 Document #: 2026-00605

The public may view it through a live or archived webcast by accessing a link under "Upcoming Events" on the NTSB home page at www.nts.gov.

Opinions and Orders

Opinion: Bryan Bedford v. Tiron Alexander

Served 01/13/2026 Docket #: NA-30283

Respondent, pro se, has appealed the Order Not Accepting Appeal issued on December 1, 2025, by Administrative Law Judge V. Stuart Couch.¹ The law judge determined that the NTSB did not have jurisdiction to adjudicate respondent's appeal of the Administrator's revocation of all respondent's certificates, as required by 49 U.S.C. § 46111(a), upon notification by the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) of a serious security threat determination and, therefore, did not accept the appeal. For the reasons set forth below, we deny respondent's appeal.

Opinion: Bryan Bedford v. Brandon B. Brunskole

Served 01/13/2026 Docket #: SE- 31361

Respondent appealed the Order Granting Administrator's Motion to Dismiss Respondent's Appeal as Untimely issued by Administrative Law Judge V. Stuart Couch on August 7, 2024.² By that decision, the law judge determined that respondent's appeal of the Administrator's suspension of his commercial pilot certificate was untimely. Respondent then timely appealed the law judge's order to the Board. For the reasons set forth below, we deny respondent's appeal.

January 15, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

OIG Announcements

Audit Termination Notification: Audit of FAA's Cost Allocation and Revenue Estimation Model

o meet the Reauthorization Act mandate, FAA developed its CAREM, documenting its methodology for allocating fiscal year 2018 costs and estimating fiscal year 2018 revenues in its initial CAREM report. In addition, the Act required us to review and determine the validity of the model FAA used to produce its report.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

Final Rule: Amendment of Jet Route J-146 and Establishment of United States RNAV Route Q-186 in the Vicinity of Chardon, OH

**Published 01/15/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-0277 Effective date
03/19/2026**

This action amends Jet Route J-146 and establishes United States Area Navigation (RNAV) Route Q-186 segments within U.S. airspace.

Final Rule: Establishment of Class E Airspace; Zuni, NM; Correction

**Published 01/15/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-0632 Effective date
12/05/2025**

This action corrects a final rule that FAA published in the Federal Register on December 8, 2025. The final rule established Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface for Zuni, NM. This action corrects an error in the legal description.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM: Mitigation Methods for Launch Vehicle Upper Stages on the Creation of Orbital Debris; Withdrawal

**Published 01/15/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2023-1858 Comments due
01/15/2026**

This document informs the public that FAA has determined not to pursue the previously published NPRM, which proposed to require that upper stages of commercial launch vehicles and other components resulting from launch or reentry be removed from orbit within 25 years after launch, either through atmospheric disposal or maneuver to an acceptable disposal orbit.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

FAA Final Advisory Circulars

AC: Aircraft Wake Vortex Encounter Risk Mitigation

Issued 01/13/2026 Document #: AC 90-23H

This advisory circular (AC) presents basic information on wake vortex characteristics, alerts pilots to the hazards of aircraft wake vortex encounters, recommends operational procedures to avoid wake vortex encounter

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: [Revision 2 of the Maintenance Implementation Procedures \(MIP\) between the Federal Aviation Administration \(FAA\) and Transport Canada Civil Aviation \(TCCA\)](#).

Issued 01/09/2026 InFO #: 26001

Revision 2 of the Maintenance Implementation Procedures (MIP) between the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and Transport Canada Civil Aviation (TCCA).

Notices

Notice: [Noise Compatibility Program for Dane County Regional Airport, Madison, Wisconsin](#)

Published 01/16/2026 Document #: 2026-00683 Comments due 03/14/2026

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces the start of the FAA review of the noise compatibility program submitted for Dane County Regional Airport and the availability of this program for public review and comment.

Draft Flight Standardization Board/Operational Suitability Report

FSB: [Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation S-70](#)

Updated 01/15/2026 Revision 1 Draft X

**Comments due
02/02/2026**

January 16, 2026

FAA Final Rules

AD: [Airbus Helicopters](#)

Published 01/16/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0011

**Effective date
02/02/2026**

This AD requires repetitively inspecting the center shaft assembly for cracks and replacing the center shaft assembly if it fails the inspection or exceeds a certain TIS. This AD also prohibits installing a center shaft assembly that is not a serviceable center shaft assembly on any helicopter.

AD: [Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes](#)

Published 01/16/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-0751

**Effective date
02/20/2026**

This AD requires revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate new or more restrictive airworthiness limitations.

AD: [The Boeing Company Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/16/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-1110 Effective date
02/20/2026**

This AD requires a high frequency eddy current (HFEC) or handheld X-ray fluorescence (XRF) spectrometer inspection of the cargo barrier fitting link to determine the titanium alloy material and applicable on-condition actions.

AD: [The Boeing Company Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/16/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-0744 Effective date
02/20/2026**

This AD requires performing a general visual inspection (GVI) or maintenance records check of certain stringers for an approved freeze plug repair, performing a high frequency eddy current (HFEC) inspection of the same area for any crack common to a certain stringer and a reinforcement strap, and applicable on-condition actions.

AD: [The Boeing Company Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/16/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-1361 Effective date
02/20/2026**

This AD requires a high frequency eddy current (HFEC) or handheld X-ray fluorescence (XRF) spectrometer inspection of the RAT forward fitting to determine the titanium alloy material and applicable on-condition actions.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: [The Boeing Company Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/16/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-5403 Comments due
02/23/2026**

As published, the docket number referenced throughout the NPRM is incorrect. This document corrects that error. In all other respects, the original document remains the same; however, for clarity, the FAA is publishing the entire proposed rule in the Federal Register.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

FAA Final Advisory Circulars

AC: [Use of Noncertified Weather Observations in Noncontiguous States](#)

Issued 01/15/2026 Document #: AC 135-45A

This AC provides information and recommendations to air carriers operating under the authority of Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 135 and in the noncontiguous States (i.e., Alaska or Hawaii) on the use of

noncertified weather information in support of instrument approaches conducted under instrument flight rules (IFR) at airports without destination weather reporting approved by the National Weather Service (NWS) or the Federal Aviation Administration.

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: [Change 1022 to 8900.1 --01/14/2026](#)

Issued 01/14/2026

Explanation of Policy Changes. This change incorporates new information into Volume 3, Chapter

Notices

Notice: [Draft FAA Transition Plan to Unleaded Aviation Gasoline; Correction](#)

Published 01/16/2026 Document #: 2026-00836

The FAA published a Draft FAA Transition Plan to Unleaded Aviation Gasoline in the Federal Register on January 12, 2026, (FR Doc.ID 2026-00296) and requested comments. This document contained an incomplete website link under the “Addresses” caption. It also contained incorrect phone numbers under the “For Further Information Contact” caption.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Operations Specifications, Part 129 Application](#)

Published 01/16/2026 Document #: 2026-00777 Comments due 03/17/2026

The FAA assesses the information collected and issues operations specifications to foreign air carriers. These operations specifications assure the foreign air carrier's ability to navigate and communicate safely within the U.S. National Airspace System.

January 20, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

OIG Announcements

[Quality Control Review of the Independent Auditor's Report on the Federal Aviation Administration's Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2025](#)

Our Objective(s)

To perform a quality control review (QCR) of KPMG, LLP's audit of the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) financial statements as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025. We reviewed KPMG's report, dated January 13, 2026, and related documentation.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

AD: Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Airplanes.

**Published 01/20/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-1349 Effective date
02/24/2026**

This AD requires revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate new and more restrictive airworthiness limitations.

AD: Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Airplanes

**Published 01/20/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-0757 Effective date
02/24/2026**

This AD requires revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate new and more restrictive airworthiness limitations.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM: Amendment of Class E Airspace; Covington, KY

**Published 01/20/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0534 Comments due
M/D/YYYY**

This action proposes to amend the Class E airspace at Covington, KY. The FAA is proposing this action as the result of airspace reviews conducted due to the decommissioning of the Cincinnati very high frequency omnidirectional range (VOR) as part of the VOR Minimum Operational Network (MON) Program.

NPRM AD: Safran Helicopter Engines, S.A. (Type Certificate Previously Held by Turbomeca, S.A.) Engines

**Published 01/20/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0016 Comments due
03/06/2026**

This proposed AD would continue to require removal of the affected FCU from service and replacement with a serviceable part. This proposed AD would also reduce the number of affected FCUs.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Notices

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: FAA Aircraft Noise Complaint and Inquiry System (Noise Portal)

Published 01/20/2026 Document #: 2026-00943 Comments due 03/23/2026

This collection involves information voluntarily submitted through the FAA Noise Portal, which is used to respond to noise complaints and inquiries. The required fields in the Noise Portal represent the minimum information necessary for the FAA to respond effectively.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Notice of Proposed Construction or Alteration, Notice of Actual Construction or Alteration](#)

Published 01/20/2026 Document #: 2026-00886 Comments due 03/23/2026
The FAA uses the information collected on form 7460-1 to determine the effect a proposed construction or alteration would have on air navigation and the National Airspace System (NAS) and the information collected on form 7460-2 to measure the progress of actual construction.

Draft Flight Standardization Board/Operational Suitability Report

FSB: [Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation S-70](#)
Updated 01/20/2026 Revision 1 Draft X

**Comments due
02/02/2026**

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Opinions and Orders

Opinion: [Bryan Bedford v. JAMES BAIRD](#)

Served 01/16/2026 Docket #: SM 30265

Petitioner seeks review of the oral initial decision of Administrative Law Judge Alisa M. Tapia issued on November 16, 2023.¹ By that decision, the law judge denied the Petition for Review (Petition) of the Federal Air Surgeon's January 29, 2019, determination² that petitioner was ineligible for airmen medical certification under the Federal Aviation Regulations (FARs) ² related to substance dependence, 14 C.F.R. §§ 67.107(a)(4), 67.207(a)(4), and 67.307(a)(4).³ As detailed below, the Board denies the Petition and affirms the law judge's decision.

January 21, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

OIG Announcements

Audit Initiated of FAA Technical Standard Orders

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Reauthorization Act of 2024 mandated a series of audits to evaluate the consistency of FAA's interpretation and

application of policies related to supplemental type certificates, repair stations, and technical standard orders (TSOs).

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

AD: Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes

**Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-1351 Effective date
02/25/2026**

This AD requires verification of the HSTA serial number, and, if applicable, replacement of the HSTA. This AD also prohibits the installation of affected parts under certain conditions.

AD: CFM International, S.A. Engines

**Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-1725 Effective date
02/25/2026**

This AD requires replacing certain FADEC and PHM software with new versions that are eligible for installation, replacing certain harnesses with newly designed harnesses, and replacing the PSS with a newly designed heated PSS.

AD: MHI RJ Aviation ULC (Type Certificate Previously Held by Bombardier, Inc.) Airplanes

**Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0013 Effective date
02/05/2026**

This AD requires replacing the elevator autopilot control cables.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: Baykar Piaggio Aerospace S.p.A. (Type Certificate Previously Held by Piaggio Aviation S.p.A.) Airplanes

**Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0019 Comments due
03/09/2026**

This proposed AD would require repetitive visual and non-destructive testing (NDT) inspections, a one-time NDT inspection of the vertical stabilizer assembly, and, depending on findings, accomplishment of corrective actions. In addition, this AD would provide a terminating action for the repetitive inspections.

NPRM AD: Leonardo S.p.A. Helicopters

**Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0017 Comments due
03/09/2026**

This proposed AD would require replacing certain life raft inflation systems and would prohibit the installation of an affected life raft inflation system on any helicopter.

NPRM AD: [Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Airplanes](#)

***Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0015 Comments due
03/09/2026***

This proposed AD would require incorporating a temporary revision into the existing pilot's operating handbook (POH) for the affected airplanes to provide operators with instructions for an enhanced engine start procedure.

NPRM AD: [Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Airplanes](#)

***Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0018 Comments due
03/09/2026***

This proposed AD would require a visual inspection of the passenger service unit (PSU) trim panel for dual lock fastener tapes and modification if dual lock fastener tapes are not installed. This proposed AD would also prohibit the installation of affected parts.

NPRM: [Establishment of Class E Airspace; Birch Creek Airport, Birch Creek, AK](#)

***Published 01/21/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5140 Comments due
03/09/2026***

This action proposes to establish Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Birch Creek Airport, Birch Creek, AK

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Notices

Notice: [FAA Contract Tower Competitive Grant Program; Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2026 Funding Opportunity](#)

Published 01/21/2026 Document #: 2026-01042 Comments due 02/17/2026
The Department of Transportation (DOT), Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces the opportunity to apply for up to \$120 million in Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Airport Infrastructure Grant funds for the FAA Contract Tower (FCT) Competitive Grant Program, made available under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021 (IIJA), Public Law 117-58.
This notice advises the public

January 22, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

[OIG Announcements](#)

Audit Initiated of FAA's Oversight of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Airport Infrastructure Grant Program

To address the Nation's aging aviation infrastructure, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) provides \$14.5 billion in funding through the Airport Infrastructure Grant (AIG) program over fiscal years 2022 to 2026.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

AD: Airbus Helicopters Deutschland GmbH Helicopters

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-0629 Effective date
02/26/2026**

This AD requires inspecting the axial displacement of the tail rotor drive shaft and, depending on the results, taking corrective actions including inspecting the flexible couplings. This AD also prohibits installing a tail rotor drive shaft unless certain procedures are followed.

AD: CFM International, S.A. Engines

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-1115 Effective date
02/26/2026**

This AD requires initial and repetitive calculations of the levels of NSV, inspection of the stage 2 high-pressure turbine (HPT) nozzle assembly honeycomb and HPT stator stationary seal honeycomb and, depending on the results of the calculations and inspections, replacement of certain parts. This AD also requires replacement of certain No. 3 bearing spring finger housings at the next shop visit.

AD: Leonardo S.p.A. Helicopters

**Published 01/26/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0014 Effective date
02/06/2026**

This AD requires repetitively inspecting the cap angle and, depending on the results, performing corrective actions.

AD: PZL-Swidnik S.A. Helicopters.

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0012 Effective date
02/06/2026**

This AD requires repetitively inspecting the MRB attachment bolts and, depending on the results of the inspection, repairing or replacing any affected bolts. This AD also requires reporting the inspection results and prohibits installing any MRB attachment bolt unless certain requirements are met.

Final Rule: Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Ashland, Bucyrus, and Mansfield, OH

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5107 Effective date
05/14/2026**

This action amends the Class D and Class E airspace at Mansfield, OH; and the Class E airspace at Ashland and Bucyrus, OH.

Final Rule: [Amendment of Class E Airspace; New Lexington, OH](#)

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5108 Effective date
05/14/2026**

This action amends the Class E airspace at New Lexington, OH.

Final Rule: [Amendment of Class D and Class E4 Airspace Over Wilkes-Barre, PA](#)

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-5147 Effective date
05/14/2026**

This action amends Class D and Class E4 airspace at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport, Wilkes-Barre, PA, due to the currently designated airspace not properly containing instrument flight rule (IFR) operations, which require controlled airspace.

Final Rule: [Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments](#)

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: 31645 Effective date
01/22/2026**

This rule establishes, amends, suspends, or removes Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPS) and associated Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure procedures (ODPs) for operations at certain airports. See chart below.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: [Honda Aircraft Company LLC Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/22/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0020 Comments due
03/09/2026**

This proposed AD would require incorporating certain material into the ALS of the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Special Airworthiness Information Bulletins (SAIB)

SAIB: [Elevator Tab Control System](#)

Issued 01/21/2026 SAIB #: 2026-02

This Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin advises owners and operators of Textron Aviation Inc. Model 1900D airplanes of an airworthiness concern related to the elevator pitch trim actuator.

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: [Impaired or Intoxicated Passengers Aboard Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations \(14 CFR\) Part 91 or Part 135 flights.](#)

Issued 01/21/2026 InFO #: 26002

This InFO provides information to Parts 91 and 135 operators on potential safety risks involved with carrying impaired or intoxicated passengers aboard aircraft.

Notices

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a New Approval of Information Collection: Formal Complaints Collection](#)

Published 01/22/2026 Document #: 2026-01149 Comments due 02/23/2026

The collection involves the filing of a complaint with the FAA alleging a violation of any requirement, rule, regulation, or order issued under certain statutes within the jurisdiction of the FAA. The FAA will use the information collected to determine if the alleged violation warrants investigation or action.

January 23, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

Press Releases

[Trump's Transportation Secretary Formalizes Permanent Restrictions for Aircraft in Reagan National Airport Airspace](#)

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy today announced that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is formalizing permanent restrictions for helicopters and powered-lift from operating in certain areas near Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA), unless these aircraft are conducting essential operations.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

Press Releases

[Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces First California College to Join Air Traffic Controller Program](#)

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy on Thursday announced the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has secured Sacramento City College as the next school to implement the Enhanced Air Traffic – Collegiate Training Initiative (E-CTI). This is the 10th new CTI program to be announced as part of Secretary Duffy's mission to recruit the next generation of air traffic controllers.

FAA Regulations

FAA Final Rules

Final Rule: [Flight Restrictions in the Vicinity of Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport \(DCA\)](#)

**Published 01/23/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0199 Effective date
01/23/2026**

FAA is revising its regulations to implement certain flight restrictions in the airspace over the Potomac River near Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA) permanently. These revisions are necessary to mitigate the potential for midair collisions resulting from insufficient separation between fixed-wing aircraft operating to or from DCA and helicopters or powered-lift operating in the vertical-lift flight mode near DCA.

Final Rule: [Establishment of Class E Airspace; Washburn, ND](#)

**Published 01/23/2026 Docket #: FAA-2024-2305 Effective date
05/14/2026**

This action establishes Class E airspace at Washburn, ND.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: [Pilatus Aircraft Ltd. Airplanes](#)

**Published 01/23/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0022 Comments due
03/09/2026**

This proposed AD would require revising the ALS of the existing AMM or ICA for your airplane.

NPRM: [Revocation of Class E Airspace; Zuni, NM](#)

**Published 01/23/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0628 Comments due
03/09/2026**

This action proposes to revoke the Class E airspace at Zuni, NM

January 26, 2026

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: [Airbus Helicopters Deutschland GmbH \(AHD\) Helicopters](#)

**Published 01/26/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-0730 Comments due
03/12/2026**

This proposed AD would require modifying and re-identifying the affected part or replacing the affected part with a serviceable part. This proposed AD would also prohibit installing an affected part on any helicopter unless certain requirements are met.

NPRM AD: [Leonardo S.p.a. Helicopters](#)

Published 01/26/2026

Docket #: FAA-2026-0025

***Comments due
03/12/2026***

This proposed AD would require repetitively inspecting the LH and RH tube assemblies for Model AB139 and AW139 helicopters, and the LH and RH pedal shaft assemblies for Model AW189 helicopters, and depending on the results of the inspection, corrective actions. This proposed AD would also prohibit installing certain parts unless certain requirements are met.

NPRM AD: [The Boeing Company Airplanes](#)

Published 01/26/2026

Docket #: FAA-2026-0023

***Comments due
01/26/2026***

This proposed AD would continue to require the actions in AD 2018-11-14, add airplanes to the applicability who have installed STC ST01920SE and removed the STC winglets, and, for certain airplanes, would require repetitive internal and external HFEC inspections of the lower outboard wing skin common to the external doubler repair at stringer L-9.5 and repair if necessary.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Notices

Notice: [Notice of Intent To Designate as Abandoned R.J. Schroers Supplemental Type Certificate Nos. SA91NW, SA152NW, and SA2472WE](#)

Published

Document #: 2026-01446

Comments due 07/27/2026

01/26/2026

This notice announces the FAA's intent to designate R.J. Schroers Supplemental Type Certificate (STC) Nos. SA91NW, SA152NW, and SA2472WE as abandoned and make the related engineering data available upon request.

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Remnant Technology Inc.](#)

Published 01/26/2026

Docket #: 2025-2959

Comments due 02/17/2026

Remnant Technology Inc. seeks relief for the carriage and aerial application of non-economic poison hazardous materials, specifically Classes 3, 5.1, 5.2, 8, and 9, as defined by 49 CFR part 175, onto structures using unmanned aircraft system (UAS) platforms weighing 55 pounds (lbs.) or more at takeoff. The proposed operations maybe be conducted in conjunction with a Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) Special Permit issued by the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) under the authority of [49 U.S.C. 5117](#).

January 27, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

Press Releases

Trump's Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy & FAA Administrator Bryan Bedford Unveil New Agency Structure to Enhance Safety, Embrace Innovation, & Increase Transparency

The comprehensive re-organization – the largest in the agency's history – includes the creation of a new safety oversight office. This office, which was supported by Congress in the 2024 FAA Reauthorization, will implement a single safety management system (SMS) and risk management strategy for the entire FAA.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes

Published 01/27/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0727 Comments due 03/13/2026

This proposed AD would require revising the existing AFM to provide the flightcrew with the correct approach speed adders and landing distance factors for the non-normal procedures for the SLAT FAIL (Caution) CAS message.

NPRM: MHI RJ Aviation ULC (Type Certificate Previously Held by Bombardier, Inc.) Airplanes

Published 01/27/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0728 Comments due 03/13/2026

This proposed AD would continue to require the actions in AD 2025-22-02 and would require replacing the H-Stab anti-yaw steady fitting block hardware.

FAA Special Conditions

SC: Safran Electric & Power S.A. ENGINE™ US100 Series Electric Engines

Published 01/27/2026 Docket #: FAA-2023-0587 Effective date 01/27/2026

The design feature is the use of an electric motor, motor controller, and high-voltage systems as the primary source of propulsion for an aircraft. The applicable airworthiness regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for this design feature.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

FAA Final Advisory Circulars

AC: [Enhanced Flight Following Center \(EFFC\) for Commercial Air Tour Operators](#)

Issued 01/23/2026 Document #: AC 136-5

In response to the NTSB SR, the FAA developed this AC to provide information and guidance and describes an acceptable means (but not the only means) for creating or implementing an Enhanced Flight

Special Airworthiness Information Bulletins (SAIB)

SAIB: [EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT, Orion Safety Products Skyblazer II Red XLT Aerial Signal](#)

Issued 01/23/2026 SAIB #: 2026-03

This Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin (SAIB) advises all owners and operators of any aircraft, certificated in any category, of reports of Orion Safety Products (Orion) Skyblazer II Red XLT Aerial Signals (flares) igniting without the safety cap being removed or the ignition cord being pulled.

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: [Spatial Disorientation \(SD\) Training for Pilots.](#)

Issued 01/22/2026 InFO #: 26003

This InFO serves to recommend SD training for Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) parts 91, 91 subpart K (91K), and 135 operations.

Flight Standards Information Management System (FSIMS)

FSIMS: [Change 1023 to 8900.1 --01/26/2026](#)

Issued 01/23/2026

This change incorporates new information into Volume 16, Chapter 3, Section 1. This change updates guidance to harmonize with a regulatory amendment and removes conflicting guidance between paragraphs.

Orders

Order: [REAL ID and Identification Requirements When Applying For or Exercising the Privileges of a Certificate, Rating, or Authorization](#)

Issued 01/07/2026 Document #: 8900.760

This notice provides guidance related to the use of a government-issued driver's license to satisfy identification requirements when applying for or

exercising the privileges of a certificate, rating, or authorization under Title 14 of the Code of Federal Regulations (14 CFR) part 61, 63, 65, 67, 107, or 183.

Notices

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received - Grant Aviation, Inc.](#)

Published 01/26/2026 Document #: 2026-01606 Comments due 02/17/2026
Description of Relief Sought: Grant Aviation, Inc., petitions the FAA for an exemption from 14 CFR 135.297(b) to allow the substitution of an Area Navigation (RNAV) approach with Localizer Performance with Vertical Guidance (LPV) minima for the Instrument Landing System (ILS) precision approach procedure required by the rule. It would allow a Grant Aviation pilot, who has demonstrated proficiency in the RNAV approach with LPV minima, to be considered proficient in performing an ILS precision approach within the six-month period prescribed by the rule.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Reduction of Fuel Tank Flammability on Transport Category Airplanes](#)

Published 01/27/2026 Document #: 2026-01535 Comments due 03/30/2026
This collection of information supports the FAA's Safety Management System (SMS) safety goal and by proactively identifying hazards and mitigating risks before incidents occur.

Flight Standards Service Draft Advisory Circular

AC: [Electronic Signatures, Electronic Recordkeeping, and Electronic Manuals](#)

**Updated 01/26/2026 Document: AC 120-78 Comments due
M/D/YYYY**

This AC provides approval, acceptance, and authorization guidelines for electronic signatures, electronic recordkeeping systems, and electronic manual systems.

January 28, 2026

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Regulations

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM: [Amendment of Class D and Class E2 Airspace Over Binghamton, NY](#)

**Published 01/28/2026 Docket #: FAA-2026-1024 Comments due
03/16/2026**

This action proposes to amend Class D and Class E2 airspace at Greater Binghamton Airport/Edwin A. Link Field, Binghamton, NY.

NPRM: Amendment of United States Area Navigation (RNAV) Route T-437; Eastern United States

Published 01/28/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-1062 Comments due 03/16/2026

This action proposes to amend United States Area Navigation (RNAV) Route T-437 in the eastern United States.

NPRM: Amendment of United States Area Navigation Route T-373 in the Vicinity of King Salmon, Alaska

Published 01/28/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2026-0859 Comments due 03/16/2026

This action proposes to amend United States Area Navigation Route (RNAV) T-373 in the vicinity of King Salmon, Alaska.

NPRM: Normalizing Unmanned Aircraft Systems Beyond Visual Line of Sight Operations; Reopening of Comment Period

Published 01/28/2026 Docket #: FAA- 2025-1908 Comments due 02/11/2026

This action reopens the comment period for the notice of proposed rulemaking titled “Normalizing Unmanned Aircraft Systems Beyond Visual Line of Sight Operations” that was published in the Federal Register on August 7, 2025. FAA seeks additional comments on the electronic conspicuity and right-of-way topics identified in this notice.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Notices

Notice: Agency Information Collection Activities: Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Flight Operations Quality Assurance (FOQA) Program

Published 01/28/2026 Document #: 2026-01658 Comments due 03/30/2026

The collection involves the voluntary submission of information gained through the Flight Operations Quality Assurance (FOQA) Program. FOQA is a voluntary safety program designed to improve aviation safety through the proactive use of flight-recorded data. The information collected will allow operators to use this data to identify and correct deficiencies in all areas of flight operations.

Flight Standards Service Draft Advisory Circular

AC: Electronic Signatures, Electronic Recordkeeping, and Electronic Manuals

Updated 01/28/2026 AC: 120-78B CHG 1 Comments due 02/26/2026

This AC provides approval, acceptance, and authorization guidelines for electronic signatures, electronic recordkeeping systems, and electronic manual systems.

January 29, 2026

FAA Final Rules

Final Rule: [Modification of Class E Airspace; Driggs/Reed Memorial Airport, Driggs, ID](#)

***Published 01/29/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-4543 Effective date
05/14/2026***

This action modifies the Class E airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface at Driggs/Reed Memorial Airport, Driggs, ID.

Final Rule: [Modification of Class E Airspace; Newport Municipal Airport, Newport, OR](#)

***Published 01/29/2026 Docket #: FAA-2025-2282 Effective date
05/14/2026***

This action modifies the Class E airspace area designated as a surface area (Class E2) and the Class E airspace extending upward from at least 700 feet above the surface (Class E5) at Newport Municipal Airport, Newport, OR, to optimize the containment of instrument flight procedures.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Flight Standards Service Information for Operators (InFO)

InFO: [Runway Data Publication Sources and Use of Runway Length Data to Prevent Overruns.](#)

Issued 01/29/2026 InFO #: 26004

This InFO provides information to airplane operators, program managers, and pilots of the potential for misapplication or misinterpretation of published runway length data sources.

Notices

Notice: [Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; Florida Power and Light Company](#)

Published 01/29/2026 Document #: 2026-01759 Comments due 02/18/2026

Description of Relief Sought: Florida Power and Light Company (FPL) seeks relief to operate the long endurance fixed-wing NAVMAR Applied Sciences Corporation (NASC) Teros unmanned aircraft system (UAS), with a maximum takeoff weight (MTOW) of 1,800 pounds.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments: Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Certified Training Centers-Simulator Rule](#)

Published 01/29/2026 Document #: 2026-01801 Comments due 03/30/2026

The information to be collected is necessary because it allows aviation safety inspectors (operations) to review and to provide surveillance to training centers to ensure compliance with airman training, testing, and certification requirements specified in other parts of the regulations. If the information were not collected, inspectors would not be able to determine if airmen who are clients are being trained, checked or tested to meet the safety standards established in other parts of the regulations.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments: Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Employee Assault Prevention and Response Plan](#)

Published 01/29/2026 Document #: 2014-02953 Comments due 04/14/2014

The information collected is used to determine if applicants are medically qualified to perform the duties associated with the class of airman medical certificate sought.

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments: Clearance of a Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Helicopter Air Ambulance, Commercial Helicopter, and Part 91 Helicopter Operations](#)

Published 01/29/2026 Document #: 2026-01799 Comments due 03/30/2026

The collection involves information related to rules governing Helicopter Air Ambulance, Commercial Helicopter, and Part 91 Helicopter Operations. The information to be collected supports the Department of Transportation's strategic goal of safety

Notice: [Agency Information Collection Activities: Requests for Comments: Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Small Unmanned Aircraft Registration System](#)

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The collection involves inputting minimal information into a database to register small, unmanned aircraft. Aircraft registration is necessary to ensure personal accountability among all users of the National Airspace System (NAS).

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

[Press Releases](#)

[Systemic Failures Led to Midair Collision Over Potomac River in Washington](#)

Systemic failures in airspace design, safety oversight, and risk management by the Federal Aviation Administration and the U.S. Army contributed to a midair collision a year ago over the Potomac River that killed 67, the National

Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday in its final board meeting on the disaster, the nation's deadliest aviation accident since November 2001.

January 30, 2026

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT)

Press Releases

In Honor of Flight 5342 Passengers and Unsung Heroes, U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy Orders American Flags at DOT & FAA Locations Lowered to Half Staff

U.S. Transportation Secretary Sean P. Duffy today ordered American flags flown above Department of Transportation and Federal Aviation Administration buildings to be flown at half-staff to mark the one-year anniversary of the tragic midair collision of American Airlines Flight 5342.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA)

FAA Final Rules

AD: Airbus Helicopters Deutschland GmbH (AHD) Helicopters

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Docket #: FAA-2026-0731

Effective date

02/17/2026

This AD requires initial and repetitive inspections of the swashplate for vertical and radial play and, depending on the results of the inspections, corrective actions.

FAA Proposed Rules

NPRM AD: Airbus SAS Airplanes

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Docket #: FAA-2026-0735

Comments due

03/16/2026

This proposed AD would continue to require certain actions in AD 2024-24-10 and would require revising the existing maintenance or inspection program, as applicable, to incorporate new or more restrictive airworthiness limitations. This proposed AD would also add Model A319-173N and Model A321-253NY airplanes to the applicability.

FAA Guidance Documents and Notices

Draft Orders

Order: Special Procedures and Area Navigation (RNAV) Visual Flight Procedures (RVFP)

Updated 01/30/2026 Reference #: 14 CFR part 71, 95 or 97 Comments due 03/02/2026

This order provides the policy, guidance, and standardization for requesting, maintaining, and processing special procedures and Area Navigation (RNAV) Visual Flight Procedures (RVFPs).