Automated Surface Observing System (ASOS)

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PROGRAM/PROJECT DESCRIPTION: ASOS system improvements: upgrades to the ACU processor, all-weather precipitation accumulation gauge, ice-free wind sensor, precipitation identifier, ceilometer, and improved freezing precipitation algorithm and ceiling/visibility reporting; results in increased reliability, reduced maintenance, and better observations to support aircraft operations.

I. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

A. Trainees	B. Skill Level of Designated Trainees
Air Traffic Controllers	
⇒ Flight Service Station	Developmental☒ Journey Level☒ En-Route Flight Advisor☒ Operations Supervisor☒
⇒ En-Route	Developmental☒ Journey Level☒ Operations Supervisor☒
⇒ Terminal (Radar Control/Tower)	Developmental☒ Journey Level☒ Operations Supervisor☒
⇒ DoD Controller	Apprentice☒ Journeyman☒ Craftsman☒
Traffic Managers	Command Center Traffic Management Specialist ☒ Traffic Management Unit Traffic Management Specialist ☒
Dispatchers	Operations Planner☒ Assistant Flight Dispatcher☒ Flight Dispatcher☒ Chief Dispatcher☒
Ground Operations Crews	Airport Operations Officer☒
Flight Standards Personnel	Flight Operations☒
National Trans. Safety Board	Accident Investigator☒
Pilots	
⇒ Commercial	Flight Engineer ☒ First Officer ☒ Captain ☒
⇒ General Aviation	Student ☒ Private ☒ Commercial☒ Air Transport☒ Instrument Rated☒ Instructor ☒
⇒ Military	Student ☒ Line ☒ Instructor ☒ Examiner ☒
Navigators (DoD)	Student ☒ Line ☒ Instructor ☒ Examiner ☒
DoD Forecaster/Meteorologists	
Air Force	
⇒ Enlisted	Apprentice ☒ Journeyman ☒ Craftsman ☒
⇒ Civilian	Forecaster ☒
⇒ Officer	Entry Level ☒ Fully Qualified ☒
Navy	
⇒ Enlisted	Apprentice Forecaster ☒ Forecaster ☒ Master Forecaster ☒
⇒ Civilian	Forecaster ☒
⇒ Officer	Accession Forecaster ☒ Forecaster ☒
National Weather Service	
⇒ Forecasters/Meteorologists	Intern ☒ Journeyman ☒ Senior Forecaster ☒ Science and Operations Officer ☒
	Warning Coordination Meteorologist ☒ Meteorologist-in-Charge ☒
	Hydro-Meteorological Technician ☒ Incident Meteorologist (e.g. Fire Weather) ☒
	Center Weather Service Unit Meteorologist ☒ Applied Research Meteorologist ☒
⇒ Headquarters	Program Manager ☒ Staff/Senior Management ☒
University/Laboratory	Instructor ☒ Research Scientist ☒
Private Sector	
⇒ Broadcast Meteorologists	Uncertified ☒ NWA or AMS Certified ☒
⇒ Forecasters	Under Supervision ☒ Independent Forecaster ☒ Senior Forecaster ☒
⇒ Researchers	Undergraduate ☒ Bachelor's ☒ Master's ☒ Doctorate ☒
⇒ Consultants	Uncertified ☐ AMS Certified Consulting Meteorologist ☒
⇒ Program/Project Managers	Scientist ☒ Senior Scientist ☒ Program/Project Director ☒
⇒ Meteorological Technicians	Technical School ☒ Technical School with Training ☒ Senior Technician ☒

Others: All weather users and providers with a need for weather observation data.

C. Training Required

Familiarization ☒   Refresher Training ☒ Basic Knowledge ☒ Basic Task Performance ☒

Intermediate Knowledge ☒ Intermediate Task Performance ☒

Advanced Knowledge ☒ Advanced Task Performance ☒

II. **TRAINING DEVELOPMENT/DELIVERY:**

A.   Training Program Status

Periodic Updates and Reviews   ☒ (Current)

Other: It is assumed that each separate user and provider has implemented training as needed.

B. Training Method

Computer Based Training (Web-on-line, CD training modules) ☒

Formal Classroom (Lecture/Discussion)   ☒

Laboratory (Demonstration/Performance, Research Lab)   ☒

Self-study (Text, Videotape)   ☒

Distance Learning (Satellite/Remote)   ☒

On-the-job Training (Operational Area)   ☒

Contractor provided with system delivery on site   ☒

Other: Assumed that all methods apply, based on user or provider training capabilities or requirements.

C. Training Delivery Resources (X indicates all that apply)

Computer Based Instruction ☒

Operational Product   ☒

Operational System   ☒

Training System   ☒

Prototype   ☒

Simulator   ☒

Test Bed   ☒

Other: Assumed that all deliver resources apply, based on user or provider training capabilities or requirements.

D. Training Provider (X indicates all that apply)

Private Sector/Industry (e.g. Airlines, Flight Safety, Inc.)   ☒

Professional Associations/Organizations

⇒ AOPA/ASF ☒

Academic Institution   ☒

Contractor (manufacturer) ☒

Federal Agency

⇒ NOAA ☒

⇒ NASA ☒

⇒ FAA   ☒

⇒ DoD   Air Force☒ Navy ☒ Army ☐

Non-Government Organizations

⇒ UCAR/COMET ☒

⇒ NCAR   ☒

Other:

E. Training Measurement

Written (e.g. multiple choice, fill in blanks)   ☒

Performance (task performance and evaluation) ☒

Other: Based on user, provider measurement requirements.

F. Training References

Technical References ☒   Product Description Document/Guide ☒   System Manuals ☒   Lesson Plans ☒

Measurement Materials ☒   Other: Assumed that all could apply dependent upon user/provider requirements.

G. Training Completion Documentation (X indicates all that apply)

Individual Training Records ☒   Certification Records ☒   Certificates ☒   Automated Document Systems ☒

III. **TRAINING IDENTIFICATION/DESCRIPTION**

A. Training Identification

Name:

Location: Various Agencies, depending on requirements (see section IID)

B. Training Length

Number of Weeks: 1 week (System Managers)

Number of Hours: 2 hours (Familiarization)   16 hours (Intermediate)

C. Group Size

Minimum: 1 Desired: 8-10 Maximum: 16

D. Trainer to Trainee Ratio

One trainer for 6 to 12 trainees   ☒

E. Point of Contact to Request Training   Contact training branch of applicable agency – reference section IID.