

Aircraft Total Lightning Advisory System (ATLAS)

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TRAINING POINT OF CONTACT: Same

PROGRAM/PROJECT DESCRIPTION: ATLAS is a ground-based or aircraft-based sensor and mapping system for detecting and displaying total lightning (cloud-to-cloud and cloud-to-ground) information.

I. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

A. Trainees

B. Skill Level of Designated Trainees

Air Traffic Controllers

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| ⇒ Flight Service Station | Developmental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Journey Level <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> En-Route Flight Advisor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operations Supervisor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ En-Route | Developmental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Journey Level <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operations Supervisor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Terminal (Radar Control/Tower) | Developmental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Journey Level <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Operations Supervisor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ DoD Controllers | Apprentice <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Journeyman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Craftsman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Traffic Managers

Command Center Traffic Management Specialist
Traffic Management Unit Traffic Management Specialist

Dispatchers

Flight Dispatcher

National Trans. Safety Board

Accident Investigator

Pilots

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| ⇒ Commercial | Flight Engineer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Captain <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ General Aviation | Student <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Transport <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Instrument Rated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Instructor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Military | Student <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Line <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Instructor <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Navigator (DoD)

Student Line Instructor Examiner

DoD Forecasters/Meteorologists

Air Force

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| ⇒ Enlisted | Apprentice <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Journeyman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Craftsman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Civilian | Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Officer | Entry Level <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fully Qualified <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Navy

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| ⇒ Enlisted | Apprentice Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Master Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Civilian | Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Officer | Accession Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

National Weather Service

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| ⇒ Forecasters/Meteorologists | Intern <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Journeyman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Senior Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Science and Operations Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Warning Coordination Meteorologist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meteorologist-in-Charge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydro-Meteorological Technician <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Incident Meteorologist (e.g. Fire Weather) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Center Weather Service Unit Meteorologist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applied Research Meteorologist <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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University/Laboratory

Instructor Research Scientist

Private Sector

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| ⇒ Forecasters | Independent Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Senior Forecaster <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ⇒ Researchers | Master's <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doctorate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

C. Training Required

Familiarization Refresher Training
Basic Knowledge Basic Task Performance
Intermediate Knowledge Intermediate Task Performance
Advanced Knowledge Advanced Task Performance
Other: Specific audience dependent.

II. TRAINING DEVELOPMENT/DELIVERY:

A. Training Program Status

Determination of Training Requirements (current) Determination of Training Concept (current)

B. Training Method

Other: While all of the above could be used, video presentation of total lightning spatial and temporal variations over-laid on radar data would be the most effective way of teaching the relationship of the total lightning data to radar returns.

C. Training Delivery Resources

Other: Each could be used as appropriate.

D. Training Provider

Contractor (manufacturer)

Other: Each agency/organization could provide such training but all would not be required. Airborne Research Associates could provide a detailed monograph describing the application of total lightning to aviation safety and operational problems that could be utilized by various training organizations.

E. Training Measurement

Performance (task performance and evaluation)

Other: Performance with real stored data would be the most realistic way to measure understanding of the material.

F. Training References

Technical References

Product Description Document/Guide

System Manuals

Other: Assuming an ATLAS or LASI Total Lightning Mapping System were utilized, these manuals would be necessary.

G. Training Completion Documentation

Other: User dependent.

III. TRAINING IDENTIFICATION/DESCRIPTION

A. Training Identification

Name: Airborne Research Associates

Location: Weston, MA

Cost: TBD, would depend on what had to be done

Other: training could be at various locations

B. Training Length

2-10 days

Other: Two days to two weeks, depending on how deep we get into the subject and other factors. For example, for full training we would want to set up actual systems, observe data, have to wait for storms, and go through troubleshooting procedures for operating equipment. At a minimum level it could simply be a lecture with video presentation.

C. Group Size

Minimum: 4 Desired: 10 Maximum: 30

D. Trainer to Trainee Ratio

One trainer for 6 to 12 trainees

One trainer for more than 12 trainees only as a lecture

E. Point of Contact to Request Training

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