

**ALASKA INDUSTRY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
December 12, 2007**

The Alaska Industry Council met at the Alaska DOT/PF Building on December 12, 2007, at 8:00 a.m.

The following agenda items were presented:

<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Karen Casanovas
<b>Chelton 6.0 Bravo update</b>	August Asay
<b>Navigation Services Update</b>	JoAnn Ford
<b>AIC Update</b>	Wilfred Ryan
<b>Galena AWWS</b>	Matt Freeman
<b>Information Sharing</b>	All
<b>Industry Feedback (Round Table)</b>	All

**Opening Remarks – Karen Casanovas**

Karen Casanovas opened and chaired the meeting.

**Chelton 6.0 Bravo Update- August Asay**

August Asay reported that most of the TSO paperwork has been received from Chelton, and barring any problem, the FAA expects to issue approval next week. Chelton is able to issue STC revisions themselves, and expects to have that process complete sometime in January.

**Navigation Services Update – JoAnn Ford**

**IFR Routes**

JoAnn Ford said that monthly telecons were continuing to discuss the RNAV routes project, headed up by ATO-E. A risks and mitigations analysis and SRMD is being performed for the routes, which are expected to delay the project by a couple months. It was also noted that there is no involvement by FAA Alaska Region or National headquarters Flight Standards in this activity.

**LPV Approaches**

JoAnn Ford reported on the status of the ATO-W Navigation Services Alaska WAAS LPV approach development. There are 964 LPV approaches in the NAS, and by the next reporting cycle December 20, 2007, additional LPV approaches will be added to the NAS, with the result that there will be more LVP approaches than ILS approaches in the nation. She also

showed the WAAS coverage map for Alaska, based on 60 day average data, which moves the 95% availability zone from near Fairbanks, almost to Deadhorse. Additional improvements in coverage are expected with future software releases in spring of 2008. Vertical guidance restrictions to Bethel, Yakutat and King Salmon will be lifted in the next update cycle. A special 60 day study will be initiated for Deadhorse, to evaluate availability at that airport.

ATO-W Navigation Services plans at least five or more WAAS LPV approaches in Alaska in 2008, and another five in 2009, in addition to the RNAV approaches that the SBS office is planning.

### **Adak Approach Lights**

JoAnn Ford also conveyed to the group that FAA has hit a roadblock in their work to install the congressionally mandated airport lightings system at Adak. The lights have to be installed on a pier owned by the Navy, who is refusing to allow access. The issue has been referred to FAA's AGI, who is the Office of Congressional and Industry Involvement.

### **AIC Update**

Wilfred Ryan summarized the meeting that industry has had with State of Alaska officials over the past few weeks. They include: DOT Commissioner von Scheben, Dept. of Commerce Commissioner Emil Notti, Lt. Governor Parnell and his Deputy Chief of Staff, Jay Pullins, and Governor Palin's Special Staff Assistant, Randy Ruaro. In all cases, favorable feedback was received. The industry group will incorporate the responses from the meetings into the next round of briefing materials.

Rich Sewell indicated that it is essential for the AIC to identify a program administration entity, which would be the actual recipient of any state funding. He also encouraged the group to consider more of the economic development aspects of the overall program, including the possibility of encouraging an equipment manufacture to locate in Alaska.

In discussion it was noted that some of the "workers" who would benefit from an equipage program include doctors, and other who fly under Part 91. NIOSH may have figures to provide data on "air workers" which is broader than Part 135 pilots.

### **Round Table**

#### **EMAS and Ravens**

Matt Freeman reported that the Raven's are disturbing the tape that is supposed to keep the moisture away from the EMAS (Engineered Materials Arrestor System) system that is being installed in Cordova.

#### **Air Carriers Convention in Fairbanks**

Karen Casanovas said that all exhibit spaces have been sold for the Alaska Air Carriers Association conference in Fairbanks, Jan 30 – Feb 1 at the Westmark Hotel. Online registration will be available in the next few days.

#### **Anchorage Center**

The Anchorage Center has been busy updating the route layout. As of November, there's an update to their web page containing that information. The links look similar, but the products you download should all have a Nov 13th date on the file name.

[http://www.faa.gov/about/office\\_org/headquarters\\_offices/ato/service\\_units/systemops/fs/alaskan/notices/RNAV\\_Routes/](http://www.faa.gov/about/office_org/headquarters_offices/ato/service_units/systemops/fs/alaskan/notices/RNAV_Routes/)

**Action from November Industry Council meeting:** Link for Instrument Flight Procedures (IFP) Production Plan web page is below.

<http://avnweb.jccbi.gov/schedule/production>

**Conclusion**

The meeting was adjourned.