Revision to FAA Order 8400.9, Runway Selection and Use Plan

Meeting 14-02

John Blair, AFS-410, briefed on revisions to the Runway Selection and Use Plan, FAA Order 8400.9. The Order addresses safety concerns and operations of aircraft arriving at and departing from Part 139 airports. The Order will require that all Part 139 airports establish a Runway Selection Safety Team (RSST), who will be charged with determining maximum crosswind and tailwind components for each runway at their airport. This knowledge will effectively reduce the number of times pilots must reject a clearance for a runway due to cross or tail wind limitation and will also reduce the number times pilots are put in possibly unsafe situations. The timeline for coordination of the Order is by end of 2014. It is anticipated that the Order will be formally adopted by late 2015.

The purpose of this briefing was informational only. There will be no impacts on charting.