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C-17 Large Formations

December 8-12

The following table has pertinent information about the size, times and locations of the C-17 formations throughout this coming week.

	# of C-17s	Anchorage Bowl/Susitna Valley at below 4000'	R-2203/BGQ area at below 2000'	Formation length
Mon, Dec 8	2	1400-1500	1500-1600	.7 NM
Tue, Dec 9	4	1730-1800	1800-1900	2.7 NM
Wed, Dec 10	6	1400-1500	1500-1600	4.3 NM
Thu, Dec 11	3	1800-1900	1900-2000	2 NM
Fri, Dec 12	4	1100-1200	1200-1300	2.7 NM

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Wind Turbine at St. George

Installation of a 150-foot wind turbine has been proposed at St. George. The FAA determination cites that the tower would exceed obstruction standards by five feet, and that the applicant can reapply within sixty days if they are willing to reduce height of the tower to 145 feet.

To view the circular and the FAA determination for this proposed installation on St. George, [click here](#).

315' Kotlik Tower

Ground Obstruction Notifications

The FAA provides information about the planned installation of towers or ground obstructions. You may [sign up](#) for automatic email notification of Alaskan ground obstructions that are currently circularized or recently changed from circularization status to a determined status.

Any person/organization who intends to sponsor any of the following construction or alterations must notify the Administrator of the FAA

- Any construction or alteration exceeding 200 ft above ground level
- Any construction or alteration
- within 20,000 ft of a public use or military airport which exceeds a 100:1 surface from any point on the runway of each airport with at least one runway more than 3,200 ft.
- within 10,000 ft of a public use or military airport which exceeds a 50:1 surface from any point on the runway of each airport with its longest runway no more than 3,200 ft.
- within 5,000 ft of a public use heliport which exceeds a 25:1 surface
- Any highway, railroad or other traverse way whose prescribed adjusted height would exceed that above noted standards
- When requested by the FAA
- Any construction or alteration located on a public use airport or heliport regardless of height or location

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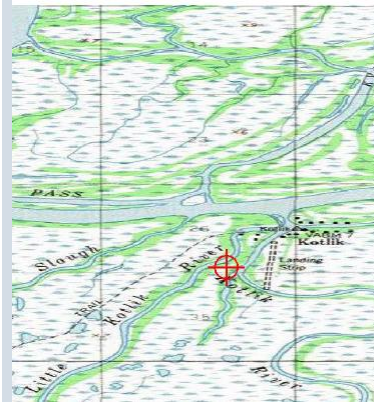
Make plans now to attend the AACA Annual Conference in early March.

Saturday morning the Iditarod Ceremonial start takes place right outside the hotel, so be sure to stay over and enjoy this inspirational event!

Witness the unbridled enthusiasm of the dogs as they strain against their harnesses and holders until the gun sounds and they explode forward. Their eagerness will warm your hearts, and you can share in the AACA Iditarod Brunch to warm your hands and bellies!



Map for ASN 2008-AAL-663-OE



A 315 foot tower has been proposed at Kotlik, and construction is planned to start this month.

To see the FAA circularization on this proposed installation, and provide your comments,

[click here.](#)

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Trade Show FREE

and Open to the Public all three days!

This year, the Trade Show is open free to the public and we look forward to seeing you at the trade show and at the educational sessions throughout the week!

Capstone's Website has Moved

The Capstone web site has been moved under the national Surveillance and Broadcast Services site. Please replace the old "Capstone" link with [this site](#).

Maintenance Facilities Encouraged to Complete the TSO Process Survey

The FAA recently issued an informal survey on the implementation effectiveness of the agency's Technical Standard Order (TSO) program.

Results are discreet and will only be used to gather feedback from the aviation maintenance community as to how to improve the TSO program.

NATA members can view and complete this informal survey by [clicking here](#). For more information, please contact Eric Byer on the NATA Staff at ebyer@nata.aero

EPA Issues a Compliance Extension on SPCC Amendments

On November 20, 2008, EPA amended the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) final rule to provide increased clarity, tailor requirements to particular industry sectors, and streamline certain requirements for facility owners or operators subject to the rule, which should result in greater protection to human health and the environment.

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UPCOMING AVIATION EVENTS

Feb 24-26, 2009
HAI (Helicopter Expo)
Anaheim, CA

Mar 2-6, 2009
AACA Annual Convention & Trade Show
Anchorage, AK

Mar 12-14, 2009
NBAA Light Airplane Conference
San Diego, CA

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LEK Consulting is running a survey exclusively for aircraft owners and potential owners, to help determine the specifications for the Next Generation Aircraft for the General Aviation industry in the U.S.

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Rule Requirements - Amendments

(PDF) (278 pp, 2.9MB)

This rule is effective 60 days after publication in the Federal Register. This is an unofficial pre-publication copy of the Federal Register Notice (signed November 20, 2008) that is provided for public reference. This document has not been published in the Federal Register and is not an official version of the final rule.

The rule includes an extension of the compliance date for affected entities (facilities built after August 16, 2002) from July 1, 2009, to November 20, 2009.

According to the EPA, these "new amendments to the SPCC rule will clarify regulatory requirements, tailor requirements to particular industry sectors, and streamline certain requirements for facility owners or operators subject to the rule. With these changes, EPA expects to encourage greater compliance with the SPCC regulations, thus resulting in increased protection of human health and the environment."

The EPA provided a new definition of "facility" that may allow separate "facilities" at a location. With this new definition, airports could possibly require leased operations and tenant operations to prepare their own SPCC Plan as a separate "facility."

The EPA provided a definition of "loading/unloading racks" as follows that will allow many airports to utilize simpler general secondary containment rules for their loading/unloading operations at their tank farms:

"Loading/unloading rack means a fixed structure (such as a platform, gangway) necessary for loading or unloading a tank truck or tank car, which is located at a facility subject to the requirements of this part. A loading/unloading rack includes a loading or unloading arm and may include any combination of the following: piping assemblages, valves, pumps, shut-off devices, overfill sensors, or personnel safety devices."

Facilities that have a "loading rack" will be required to build a containment structure for the delivery vehicle or rail car large enough to contain the largest compartment in the vehicle. If the facility only has simple "loading areas" (which is the case on most airports), then only the general secondary containment rules apply and a more simple containment structure is required. The certifying professional engineer (PE) who prepares your plan will provide the details that will be appropriate to your airport.

The EPA is providing additional streamlined provisions of smaller facilities. Under the last rule published by the EPA in December 2006, facilities that have less than 10,000 gallons of total aggregate storage can prepare their own SPCC Plan and will not require a PE to certify the plan. These self-certified plans still require all the SPCC requirements and the SPCC Plan would be similar to a PE's plan, only without the cost of hiring the PE. Under this new rule today, if a facility has less than 10,000 gallons of aggregate storage AND no container greater than 5,000 gallons (and several other requirements), the facility will be allowed to utilize a streamlined template provided by the EPA to prepare their self-certified SPCC Plan. This approach will be much easier for smaller facilities and will likely apply to many smaller airports and smaller airport tenant operations.

[Click here](#) to review EPA's SPCC Rule Web Page.

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