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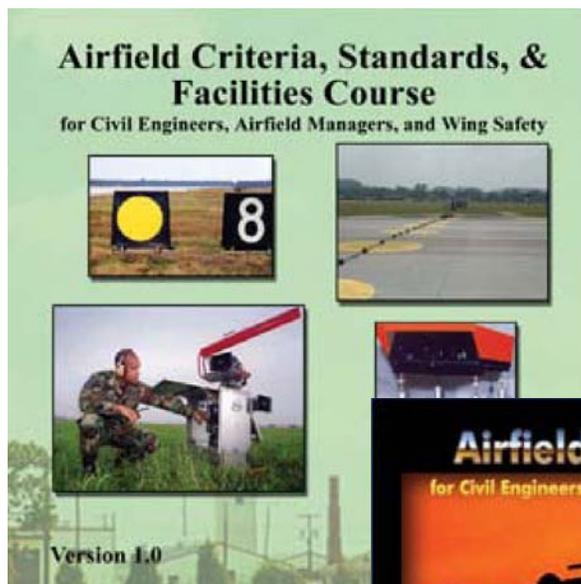
Updated Computer-based Airfield Criteria Course

SYNOPSIS:

Civil engineers now have an updated tool at their disposal for implementing corrective actions associated with the Chief of Staff's Airfield Obstruction Reduction Initiative (AORI). The AORI was first discussed in AFCESA A-Gram 01-07 (Mar 2001), which was the first step in the campaign to make sure all personnel with airfield responsibilities understand and comply with airfield criteria and airfield frangibility requirements.

In December 2001, AFCESA released a specialized CD-ROM training package entitled *Airfield Criteria, Standards, and Facilities Course*, which was distributed to civil engineers, airfield

management personnel, and wing safety offices. At the time the training program was being distributed, however, several new Unified Facilities Criteria (UFC) publications were either under development or were in the final stages of coordination and approval for publishing. The proposed changes in those UFCs updated numerous airfield and NAVAID requirements.



DETAILS:

AFCESA has now revised the course released in December 2001 to include information contained in the new UFCs. The new version (Version 2) is entitled simply *Airfield Criteria Course*.

This course provides an updated, detailed overview of airfield criteria and standards that affect base airfields and adjacent off-base areas. It also includes explanations for design, maintenance, and repair projects that affect the airfield environment. Version 2 incorporates changes adopted as a result of the AORI and recent publication revisions, such as implementation of the Building Restriction Line, new frangibility standards, and new guidance for operational safety on airfields during construction.

Approximately 1,000 copies of the course were shipped to the major commands in October 2002 for distribution to base-level civil engineers, airfield managers, flight safety offices, and communications squadrons.

