Subject: Postponement of In-Person ACE Events & Alternatives to Meet Requirements

Distribution: All Aviation Activities

Discussion: Due to the continuing impacts of COVID-19 on travel and large scale gatherings, the in-person ACE events that were scheduled for the spring of 2022 in San Diego, CA and Anchorage, AK have been postponed to 2023.

The OAS Training Branch and USFS partners are committed to ensuring field personnel and their respective management are able to receive their required training. In order to meet these training needs, we will be increasing the number of distance learning opportunities and select, (smaller scaled) in-person training from January 2022 through May 2022.

In addition to the scheduled webinars, the following in-person courses will be offered:

- A-305 Risk Management II
- A-306 Aviation Contract Administration
- A-307 Aviation Policy and Regulations II
- A-309 Helicopter Flight Manuals

Current schedules for all webinars and other distance learning opportunities can be found on the IAT website. Please note that some courses may not be currently open for registration but do list a "registration open" date.

Despite the increased demand for both distance learning opportunities and smaller sized in-person class offerings, we will continue to ensure quality standards are maintained.

Please contact The IAT Help Desk at (IAT_Admin@ios.doi.gov) if you have any questions related to this matter.

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