

AWIPS Migration Topic of the Week -- Training Update

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For any who have logged on to the Commerce Learning Center looking for AWIPS Migration training, you may have noticed the following message posted there.

The Intro to Service Oriented Architecture SOA and AWIPS Development Environment (ADE) courses will no longer be available as of 15 Dec 08. Your assistance in getting this information to field personnel in your region will be appreciated.

These courses were proactively developed by Training Division at the request of OS&T to help prepare the field for the transition to AWIPS II. However, recent technology changes in AWIPS II development have overridden the content languages/processes to such a significant degree the courses are being temporarily withdrawn. This is consistent with the decision made at the Nov NSTEP meeting to pull out-of-date training rather than post a "significant portions are no longer current" disclaimer.

Training Division remains committed to support the field with critical AWIPS II deployment training and is working closely with the AWIPS program staff.

Tentative plans at this point are as follows:

1. The SOA course will be reevaluated in April 2009 to see if the architecture has stabilized enough to revise and reissue the training.
2. Revision and reissuance of the ADE course will begin after the delivery of TO 10 (approx 5 Feb 09).

Since 1 and 2 above may overlap the scheduled timeline for local applications development and the instructor resources are the same, timelines and deliverables may be adjusted as necessary to meet the

highest priorities of the field.

The NWSTD has been doing a great job supporting the AWIPS migration, many thanks to them for their work. We have been working with the NWSTD and our collaborators, the Raytheon team, to review our training development plans so we can be certain to have training ready in time to support our testing and deployment (as required by the Workforce Human Capital Committee Strategic Plan). As those plans become more concrete, we will provide updates.

Thanks,
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