



Federal Aviation Administration

Memorandum

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From: Tim Ardl, Vice President, Air Traffic Services, AJT-0
Subject: ACTION: Validation of Radar Video Maps and Emergency Obstruction
Video Maps

Recent incidents where aircraft have been vectored to closed or abandoned airfields have identified a latent risk associated with outdated Radar Video Maps (RVM) and Emergency Obstruction Video Maps (EOVM). In two of these incidents, an "operational" airport was no longer present at the former airfield location; however, the airport symbol was still depicted on the RVM and EOVM.

In order to ensure safety of the National Airspace System (NAS), Directors of Operations must require all Terminal air traffic control facilities to immediately initiate a review of RVMs and EOVMs to ensure that only National Flight Data Center (NFDC) reported "operational" airports are depicted on RVMs and EOVMs. To obtain a listing of those airports considered "operational" by location identifier, for the purpose of this review, go to: <https://nfdc.faa.gov/xwiki/bin/view/NFDC/Airport+Data>.

The review must be completed by October 15, 2015. This review must be accomplished even by facilities that have completed the FAA Order JO 7210.3Y, *Facility Operation and Administration*, Paragraph 3-8-4 (f), EOVM requirement within the 2-year window. Facilities are to annotate problem locations uncovered by the review and provide the compiled information to the service area Quality Control Group and to the FAA Aeronautical Information Services (AJV-5). Each facility must then ensure that all video maps are updated to display only those airports designated by NFDC as "operational."

If you have any questions regarding NFDC airport data, please contact Kasey Gonzalez, Manager, Aeronautical Information, AJV-53, at (405) 954-9198 or Karen.K.Gonzalez@faa.gov.

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