



Aircraft Rescue & Fire Fighting Training - 2009

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Rocky Mountain Emergency Services Training Center

Improvements to Our ARFF Facility

The Rocky Mountain Emergency Services Training Center (RMESTC) continues to refine and improve the facility and training services that are offered to the public, government and emergency responder agencies. Recently, the RMESTC completed a \$1 million upgrade to the **ARFF** training equipment. Along with the 737 SPILL Fire mock-up and Specialized Aircraft Fire Trainer (SAFT) that have served as the basis of our training curriculum, the SAFT trainer



(pictured at left) was upgraded with a port side cabin fire, including a flash-over fire and an

inside cargo fire. The SPILL trainer had a 3D fire (flowing fuel fire) added to it and both trainers received new computer systems.

The **ARFF** programs have been modified so our students receive more hands-on training with less time spent in the classroom. **New this year** is an EVO (Emergency Vehicle Operations) SAFT and

SPILL course. This is a two-day course where students will drive ARFF vehicles on and off road and learn about vehicle dynamics and laws pertaining to emergency vehicle operation. Students will also be recertifying in the SAFT and SPILL trainers as part of this curriculum.

The RMESTC training can be tailored to meet the specific needs of the users. Please contact **Pete Hartman** at **406-449-3473** for additional information.

NEW FIRETRUCK PURCHASED

In April of 2009 we expect delivery from Rosenbauer of a Class-2 **ARFF** vehicle. This vehicle is very similar to the trucks generally used in smaller airports and will be used solely for training **ARFF** personnel at the Rocky Mountain Emergency Services Training Center.



Spill Fire Training Exercise – Sept. 2008



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To obtain our 2009 ARFF Training Schedule or to enroll in classes, go to www.rmestc.com, or call us at 406-449-3473.

RMESTC curriculum meets or exceeds the certification requirements of FAA Part 139 and CARS Standard 323.

In addition to our regular classes, we can customize curriculum to meet the needs of individual departments or airports.

Questions? Call **Pete Hartman**, RMESTC Training & Facility Coordinator, or email him at phartman@helenaairport.com

PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

The RMESTC is also expanding our training programs to include a RUBBLE PILE trainer (for training in an environment simulating a structural collapse). Plans continue for the construction of a multi-level structural fire trainer.



Intermediate ARFF Students Training In a Night Spill Fire Class

DRIVING TRACK & DRIVER TRAINING

Our world-class DRIVING TRACK continues to be a valuable part of the RMESTC facility. This 1.2-mile oval track, with its six-acre skid pad, provides training opportunities not only for **ARFF** students, but also for all governmental and private sector agencies and businesses that desire driver safety classes. The Helena Regional Airport Authority purchased a SKID Car that replicates many low-traction conditions and provides the most realistic driver training available today in a safe and controlled manner.

For more information you can visit our web site at www.drivercourses.com



Spill Fire Trainer, Spring 2008



ARFF Students Observe A Training Exercise on SAFT Trainer