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The Clearance You Expected To Hear - Preventing ATC Expectation Bias

In busy airspace, pilots sometimes hear exactly what they expected to hear rather than what ATC actually said. The result can be altitude deviations, incorrect readbacks, missed restrictions, runway incursions, and loss of separation events, even among highly experienced pilots operating in familiar environments.

This seminar examines how expectation bias develops during routine operations and why workload, frequency congestion, familiar procedures, and visual assumptions make these errors more likely. Using recent ASRS reports and accident case studies, participants will learn practical verification techniques that improve communication accuracy, strengthen situational awareness, and reduce expectation-driven errors in complex terminal environments such as Central Florida.

Event Details

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