

RACC Meeting Minutes No. 263 (December 16, 2009)

1. Purpose: A regularly scheduled meeting of the RACC was held from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. EST in Room 3246 on Wednesday, December 16, 2009, to discuss and address national and regional AWIPS issues, problems and concerns.

2. Regions In Attendance: The following regions (and other NWS organizations outside of Silver Spring) participated in the conference call: **ERH**: Joshua Watson; **SRH**: Eric Howieson; **WRH**: Ulysses Davis, Mark Mollner; **CRH**: Bill Gery, Greg Noonan; **ARH**: Joe Rubel; **PRH**: Vuong Tang; **GSD**: (did not call in); **NCEP**: (did not call in); **NWSTC**: Randy Schupbach, Jim Totusek, Wes Craven; **Warning Decision Training Branch**: Darrel Kingfield; **NRC**: Heiko Crowe; **Forecast Decision Training Branch**: (did not call in);

3. Discussion Items: The following topics were discussed/briefed at the meeting:

a. Status of OB9.2 and OB9.2.1:

OB9.2: This release is the final planned maintenance release prior to the release of the AWIPS Migration software. The mod note was signed on December 10. The mod note, script log output files, and release notes have been posted. The software DVD should be received at all sites by December 18. Regular deployment will begin January 4. The regional focal points are scheduling up to 12 sites per install day on the calendar.

OB9.2.1: This series of software releases is planned to allow high priority DRs to be implemented prior to the release of the AWIPS Migration software. This particular release contains DR 20933- WarnGen: Partial Cancellation follow-up can drop UGC Code for Canceled area. Beta sites HGX (Houston) and RAH (Raleigh) have installed and verified the correction for the DR. The readiness review is planned for tomorrow (December 17). Deployment is projected to be implemented by the NCF immediately after the site completes the OB9.2 installation.

b. Focal Point/Participants Reports, Problems and Concerns:

Alaska Region: We are working to get the TO11 SnapUp installed on our headquarters system today or tomorrow. We are working with the developers to mitigate the local orphan programs for the application effort.

Central Region: The FIT is going well with over 80 TTRs being opened. We have two Raytheon representatives from Omaha assisting us in analyzing problems.

Eastern Region: For AWIPS Migration activities, we downloaded the files and we need to see if they have updated the SCAT instructions in order to install the SnapUp.

Pacific Region: nothing significant to report.

Southern Region: Can we have a hardware update? Sanford Garrard replied that the LX workstations are scheduled to be deployed in June of 2010 and it's likely it will be accelerated by a few months. The DX1 and DX2 are further along than the LX workstations and we are planning the OT&E to occur at Central Region Headquarters around January 11.

The REP is moving along. The second OT&E site has been chosen (the RFC at Portland, OR) for install on January 14 and the site should soon receive the hardware. The first kit proof for the LAN switch is scheduled for NHDA tomorrow. The new modems are on the back burner for now.

Western Region: nothing significant to report.

NWSTC: nothing significant to report.

Warning Decision Training Branch: We are finalizing the WES 9.2 disk image and tying up loose ends. We are planning on performing some beta tests of a few disk image copies with the WES regional focal points in early January.

NRC: We received our new LX workstations today. Other than that, nothing significant to report.

The next RACC is scheduled for Wednesday, January 6, 2010. If you know of any agenda items you wish to be discussed at this RACC, please e-mail them to Jim Stenpeck and cc Frank Lucadamo. This is to ensure that all of the appropriate WSH personnel attend this RACC to address your issues.