

## RACC Meeting Minutes No. 240 (January 21, 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, January 21, 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**: Mark Mollner; **CRH**: (did not call in); **ARH**: Joe Rubel; **PRH**: Eric Lau; **GSD**: Joanne Edwards; **NCEP**: (did not call in); **NWSTC**: Randy Schupbach, Jim Totusek; **Warning Decision Training Branch**: Mike Magsig; **NRC**: (did not call in);

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

a. Status of Upcoming Software Releases (Matt Kensey):

*OB9*: There are currently no open DRs and 15 open Trouble Tickets in the release. The next beta call is planned for tomorrow (January 22) at 2 pm EST. Remaining open tickets and status will be discussed at this meeting. Due to the large number of open tickets, there is an increased risk of a schedule delay. The WFO at Albany, NY (ALY) will install and verify the final DVD today. The System Verification Review (SVR) is currently scheduled for January 29. Regular deployment is projected to begin around February 9.

*OB9.1*: The release will update the operating system from RedHat Enterprise Linux 4 (RHEL4.2) to RHEL5.2. Installations are planned for the Raytheon Test systems over the next few weeks. SWIT is expected to begin on February 23. Beta begins on April 6 and deployment to all sites starts on May 11.

*OB9.2*: The AWIPS Support Branch is collecting candidate DRs for the release. The period for identifying DRs continues until March 11. The beta is expected to begin on June 8 with regular deployment to all sites around July 6.

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

Alaska Region: nothing significant to report.

Central Region: (did not call in)

Eastern Region: nothing significant to report.

Pacific Region: nothing significant to report.

Southern Region: We would like to see an agenda item at a future RACC devoted to a detailed status of upcoming new hardware and its schedules. It was agreed that the next RACC (February

4) would have this topic as an agenda item.

Western Region: nothing significant to report.

GSD: nothing significant to report.

NWSTC: nothing significant to report.

Warning Decision Training Branch: We found more bugs in testing the WES 9.0. Two bugs are related to operational issues. One bug may be in the FFMP. We are working with the developers but no trouble tickets have yet been written (and may need to be written) and we may need to discuss the situation with Tom Filiaggi.

NRC: (did not call in)

Shannon White: We will release the OB9 training to the beta sites next week for their review. It will be released to all sites once OB9 is field implemented.

**The next RACC is scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2009. 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.**