

RACC Meeting Minutes No. 259 (October 14, 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, October 14, 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**: Sheila Deiotte; **CRH**: Greg Noonan; **ARH**: Joe Rubel; **PRH**: Eric Lau; **GSD**: (did not call in); **NCEP**: Joe Byerly; **NWSTC**: Randy Schupbach, Jim Totusek; **Warning Decision Training Branch**: Mike Magsig, Darrel Kingfield; **NRC**: (did not call in); **Forecast Decision Training Branch**: Shannon White;

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

a. Status of Upcoming Software Releases:

OB9.1: A total of 96 sites have installed this release to date. This is over the halfway mark for this release.

OB9.2: We are in the first official week of beta testing. Boulder (site BOU) installed it last week and they were the first operational site to get it. We plan on having a total of 14 beta sites test this release within the next two weeks. The readiness review is scheduled to occur on October 29 at 2 PM EDT.

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

Ronla Henry: Ronla introduced to the group Eric Jordon, the new AWIPS Operations Manager. Eric has a background in the IT area and has recently worked at DOD. Eric will help support the AWIPS Program Office and deal with the operations side and Ronla will deal with the product improvement side.

Alaska Region: We are preparing the RRS at two more sites in the region. We also did the OB9.1 ARD upgrade for the CWSU at Anchorage and also worked on some tsunami data flow trouble shooting.

Central Region: nothing significant to report.

Eastern Region: We are writing AWIPS Migration trouble tickets on slice 4/5.

Pacific Region: Guam installed their OB9.1 yesterday. They had some servers that did not come back up right away but they got them back overnight. They got LS2 back on-line and the LX2 has a bad power supply.

Southern Region: We are working on the AWIPS Migration. We also did some OB9.2 testing on our headquarter's system last week.

Western Region: Shelia stated that this is her last RACC and is moving to an ESA position at Sacramento. Mark Mollner will be a temporary replacement until a permanent replacement is named. Andy Edman will be representing the Western region on the RACC calls.

NWSTC: We got the AWIPS Migration slice 4/5 installed on the NTCB system. We are configuring it to a FIT system and will be close as possible to a TO11 system. We will perform testing on October 20-22.

Warning Decision Training Branch: We plan on getting the OB9.2 color tables done in a week or two and should be ready for the OB9.2 deployment. We are looking over slice 4/5. Concerning the WES, we plan on getting the OB9.2 slice 6 version installed. We just received slice 7 and will release this in parallel with the release of OB9.2.

NCEP: nothing significant to report.

The next RACC is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 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.