

RACC Meeting Minutes No. 260 (October 28, 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 28, 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**: (not represented); **CRH**: Bill Gery; **ARH**: Phil Dutton; **PRH**: Vuong Tang; **GSD**: (not represented); **NCEP**: Joe Byerly; **NWSTC**: (not represented); **Warning Decision Training Branch**: Darrel Kingfield; **ROC**: (not represented); **NRC**: (not represented); **Forecast Decision Training Branch**: (not represented);

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

a. Status of OB9.1 and OB9.2:

OB9.1: About 130 sites have installed this maintenance release. There have been no CollDB decoder hangs to date. The software is in place for enhanced logging and it is preventing the hangs. This solution is also baselined for OB9.2.

OB9.2: The readiness review has been postponed for this Thursday due to recent software issues that have arisen. The readiness review will be re-scheduled on a date to be determined. Several DRs have occurred in just the past few weeks. A fix for DR 21004 (default field setting for MPE is now the r mosaic, should be the m mosaic) will be in the build later today. Concerning DR 21005 (text workstation resets or attempts to reset ETN to 0001), we are now looking at it and a fix should be in place come next Monday. We will test it on the local test beds and then at a few beta sites next week. Then we will determine when to schedule the readiness review.

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

Alaska Region: We are working on AWIPS Migration items, but aside from that, nothing significant to report.

Central Region: nothing significant to report.

Eastern Region: We are getting ready to install slice 6 of the AWIPS Migration software. Is there a timeline for the LX replacement? The WSH response is there is an OT&E scheduled next March but this schedule may be accelerated. We will know in a few weeks.

Pacific Region: We installed OB9.2 yesterday on our headquarters' system and things went well. Aside from that, nothing significant to report.

Southern Region: We are working on testing the AWIPS Migration, but aside from that, nothing significant to report.

Warning Decision Training Branch: We installed OB9.2, alpha 7 on the WES. We received OB9.2, beta 2 this morning and began testing it. But aside from that, nothing significant to report.

NCEP: nothing significant to report.

Kevin Woodworth: Kevin introduced Jason Taylor who will be assisting him with AWIPS issues in OCWWS. Kevin will soon be the OCWWS rep to this RACC call.

Ronla Henry: Ronla took the action item to present at a future RACC a discussion of how the hardware refresh cycle will play into the OT&E of the upcoming AWIPS migration software.

The next RACC is scheduled for Wednesday, November 18, 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.