

RACC Meeting Minutes No. 312 (January 4, 2012)

1. Purpose: A regularly scheduled meeting of the RACC was held from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. EDT in Room 4300 on Wednesday, January 4, 2012, 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, Andy Edman; **CRH**: Greg Noonan; **ARH**: Eugene Petrescu; **PRH**: Eric Lau; **GSD**: Woody Roberts; **NCEP**: (did not call in); **NWSTC**: (did not call in); **Warning Decision Training Branch**: Mike Magsig, Darrel Kingfield; **NRC**: (did not call in); **Forecast Decision Training Branch**: Shannon White; **RTS**: Chris Marshall, Will Leverenz

Other Participants: Jim Lane, Jim Stenpeck, Ashley Kells, Wayne Martin, Art Thomas, Beraq Azeem, John Tatum

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

a. Status of Upcoming Software Releases (Will Leverenz):

OB9.6.1: Deployment has begun and sites have been installing it.

OB9.7: Has been installed at over 80 sites to date.

OB9.8: There are 12 DRs in the release and will be checked in by January 24. After that we begin SWIT testing from the middle to late February with the Readiness Review occurring on February 29. Deployment is slated to begin in mid March.

For AWIPS II, *OB12.1.1*: There are 11 DRs in this release and the code has been checked in. We will install it on our test beds today and begin SWIT testing later this week. The regions should get it on January 17.

OB12.1.2: This is currently in development and should be available to the regions on January 30.

b. Status of AWIPS O&M (James Lane):

Text Workstation Refresh: We are about to go to our OT&E sites next week to begin installing. Several field sites not part of the OT&E have already installed it and a draft mod note was provided to them. Each install for each workstation should take about an hour each and it should be an easy process. An updated draft mod note should be available by this Friday for all sites. All OT&E sites should receive their new workstations either this week or next.

The system deployment of the text workstations will be the last for several months. The next will be the PX servers but it is not on any fast track process. There will be an OT&E for it later

this spring with deployment sometime in the summer months.

RACK consolidation, CPSBNs: Installs are nearly completed.

Printer installs: Need about 20 more sites to install and the project will be completed.

ADAM installs and upgrades: We have gotten to the critical mass and most have the latest rev level available. The ADAM process will transition from the NCF backline to the ASM people over the next few weeks. The next ADAM release is scheduled for mid January and the next one in early February.

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

Alaska Region: In AWIPS II we are able to digest the processes and display data. We are able to display the non SPC satellite data due to the efforts of Tom Kretz.

Central Region: nothing significant to report.

Eastern Region: nothing significant to report.

Pacific Region: nothing significant to report.

Southern Region: We were able to get the HGX ADAM localization placed on our regional system. We are able to start the CAVE at HGX with no issues.

Western Region: nothing significant to report.

Warning Decision Training Branch: Concerning the WES update, we received the OB9.6.1 which has the WarnGen fixes. We will begin the WES9.7 beta testing today and then will go to some field sites thereafter for more testing. We will deploy the final version by the end of this month.

Concerning AWIPS II, we got the variance training draft updated last month and sent to the OT&E field sites. We are working on an integrated work team for the OSIP project to get the AWIPS software training capability going and there will be an important meeting on January 19.

The next RACC is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 2012. If you know of any agenda items you wish to be discussed at this RACC, please e-mail them to Jim Stenpeck and cc Sanford Garrard. This is to ensure that all of the appropriate WSH personnel attend this RACC to address your issues.