Hazardous Weather Testbed

weather & society * integrated studies: changing what WAS to what IS the future of integrated weather studies

Advanced WAS*IS Workshop

Beyond Storm Warnings: A collaboration between stakeholders, the National Weather Service, and the Hazardous Weather Testbed



AGENDA

September 15-17, 2008 Norman, Oklahoma



Monday, September 15, 2008

8:00 a.m.	Leave Residence Inn & Country Inn for Stephenson Center (101
	David L. Boren Boulevard, across from the National Weather
	Center)

8:15 a.m.	Check-in, Registration Stephenson Center, Seminar Room (1st
	floor)

8:30 a.m.	National Severe Storms Laboratory: Welcome and how we are
	bringing WAS*IS (Weather & Society Integrated Studies) into
	the National Weather Service (Jeff Kimpel)

8:45 a.m. Welcome from NOAA central region team meeting sponsors (Mike Hudson)

8:55 a.m. Brief introductions (Everyone)
Participants' 1-minute introduction:
Name, position, and affiliation

9:25 a.m. Introduction to the Hazardous Weather Testbed (Dave Andra)

9:35 a.m. Overview: WAS*IS & SSWIM (Social Science Woven into Meteorology)

Why Advanced WAS*IS at the Hazardous Weather Testbed? Workshop motivation, goals, challenges, ground rules (Eve Gruntfest)

9:50 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m.	CASA's (Center for Collaborative Adaptive Sensing of the Atmosphere) stakeholder collaborations: End-to-End-to-End-Work (Brenda Philips)
10:35 a.m.	Better concepts for forecast evaluation (Harold Brooks)
11:00 a.m.	Introducing the "big challenges" list (Kevin Scharfenberg)
11:15 a.m.	Ways we think this workshop can help the Hazardous Weather Testbed and an Introduction to Probabilistic Hazard Information (Kristin Kuhlman & Travis Smith)
11:45 a.m.	Lunch (provided) – in small groups at Stephenson Center
1:00 p.m.	Introduction to the Enterprise, Alabama scenario
1:30 p.m.	Enterprise Scenario, 4 groups: (1) County/City wide; Emergency Management (2) High Vulnerability; Hospital/Elementary School (3) Private Sector / Media / Communications (4) General Public, wide-range of unspecified end-users
3:45 p.m.	Break
4:00 p.m.	First impressions of the scenario from each group. Topics to consider. Moderator: Randy Peppler
5:00 p.m.	National Weather Center/ Hazardous Weather Testbed Tours (two groups: Group A: (1) &(2); Group B: (3) & (4) from scenario)
5:30 p.m.	Icebreaker and Dinner @ the NWC catered by Ted's Café Escondido. National Weather Center: 1st floor director's boardroom & patio

Tuesday, September 16, 2008

Arrive, get settled

8:15 a.m.

8:30 a.m.	Slept-on-it (3 a.m. revelations) – Considering yesterday's scenario for the future
9:30 am	Break
9:45 a.m.	The public and private sectors communicate to the public, getting the messages across (Kevin Barjenbruch, NWS and Melissa Tuttle Carr, The Weather Channel)
10:10 a.m.	Addressing vulnerable populations- Recent lessons learned (Rebecca Jennings, FEMA)
10:30 a.m.	 Topic selection for group break-out; Identifying common themes and action items. Possible questions: Moderator: Eve Gruntfest How can warnings better meet multiple needs? How can we communicate across numerous cultures, time scales, spatial scales? How can we be prepared to take credit, not just blame for events that don't go well? How can we better learn from experiences across agencies, and jurisdictional boundaries? Do we need new definitions of "lead time"? What socially relevant verification measures can we use?
10:45 a.m.	Break into groups (5-ish people each group: 6-8 groups)
noon	Lunch (provided) - small groups at Stephenson Center
1:15 p.m.	Report back and discussion Moderator: Andrea Schumacher
2:30 p.m.	Break
3:00 p.m.	Panel discussion: Reflections based on earlier work and workshop discussions: (Sara Ruth, Tanja Fransen, Alan Stewart, Christina Muller, Karen Pennesi)
4:15 p.m	Panel Q&A – Changing the culture –New ways ahead for the Hazardous Weather Testbed – (Dave Andra, Kevin Manross, Kristin Kuhlman, Greg Stumpf, Travis Smith)
5:15 p.m.	Setting the stage for Wednesday final sessions
5:30 p.m.	Adjourn
6:15 p.m.	Advanced WAS*IS reception Dinner (Himalaya's Restaurant, 814 N. Berry, Norman)

Wednesday, September 17, 2008

8:15 a.m. Arrive, get settled

8:30 a.m. Slept-on-it (3 a.m. revelations)

8:45 a.m. Updating and refining the "challenges" list, clarifying new

directions Moderator: Kevin Scharfenberg

9:15 a.m. Revisiting the workshop goals – (specifics) how did we do?

Moderator: Kristin Kuhlman

10:00 a.m. Where do we go from here – Funding and timelines

Additional projects with the Hazardous Weather Testbed

Additional avenues for the WAS*IS braintrust - New ideas to

develop, short-term and long-term

11:15am Open discussion and questions - Strategies for effectively

moving ahead

noon Adjourn