

ISST Conference Call Summary
September 11, 2006

Team members present (P) and not present (NP):

(NP) Greg Mann (team leader)
(P) Jim Nelson (backup team leader)
(P) Karl Jungbluth
(P) Tom Salem
(P) Dan St. Jean
(NP) Mike Staudenmaier
(P) Jeffrey Medlin
(NP) Ken Falk
(P) Bill Ward
(P) Reid Hawkins
(NP) Lee Anderson (facilitator)

1. Round Robin

A new statement of need into OSIP has been submitted for the OCONUS GFS40. It may only need to go through OSIP Gate 2 for approval to put on SBN. We are still seeing RTMA issues with terrain, temperatures off by around 10 degrees at top of the mountain. CR MICs have 4-7 a method implemented what SOOs recommended. Collaboration has been moved to a morning period.

WFOs NE have a recommended practice for 4-7 forecast The deadline will change to 22z in November. Conf call on RTMA uses will occur with Steve, Reid, and Dan and ERH SSD. The 10km ERH LAPS for a regional based verification scheme. There is a plan to implement BOI Verify and compare LAPS, MatchOBS, and RTMA. From this gridded verification, we will pass anything encountered with RTMA to the group. Also hope to gain some inroads regionally for RTMA uses or concerns.

Regional Methodology Team and Lead Forecaster Workshop planned for this week in AR. They be detailing when to collaboration and which grids to be completed at certain times to facilitate better coordination.

RTMA

EMC has continued to work on polishing the analysis. They have developed a parallel site for displaying products for their tests. NCDC will archive the experimental products. A meeting has been scheduled for this Thursday to discuss RTMA training. Information for displaying RTMA in AWIPS using SBN was sent to Greg. It is baselined in OB 7.2. We would like to know if ISST can help with the displaying it now to accelerate the feedback and use by field. Work has continued with main AOR business case, PDD for RTMA, and gate 4 documents for RTMA.

Gridded MOS (One Pager)

The team will bring to the forefront what is wrong and what is good with Gridded MOS. Some members believe gradients on the synoptic scale can be depicted possibly in the eastern US. The team will help communicate facts. Two members will develop an outline or rough draft of one-pager for Gridded MOS to team by September 18.

HPC 4-7 Day Gridded Methodology

The team agreed that something needs to be addressed. They suggested adding topic to the ISST Roadmap.

Next call: September 18, 2006 at 1:30 pm EDT.