

**NFUSE Steering
February 14, 2007 Meeting Minutes**

Attendees:

Lee Anderson
Doug Hilderbrand
Ken Johnson
John Schaake
David Myeric
Zolton Toth
LeRoy Spayd
John Sokich
Bob Livezey
Ken Waters
Frank Richards
Paul Hirschberg

Topics and Summary

- **3rd NCEP Ensemble User Workshop Review and Recommendations (Led by Z. Toth)**
 - In depth presentation of potential plans and activities focusing on adoption of ensemble modeling approach across all environmental prediction activities. -- See Toth powerpt presentation and draft writeup for details.
 - Major Team Discussion Points:
 - Information in briefing (and thinking behind it) provides solid foundation for Team to move forward.
 - Team will need to digest material and consider recommendations and proposals as planning unfolds.
 - We are going to have to balance push of the science with pull of user needs/reqs.
 - Need to engage users to understand their needs and reqs., but to what degree and in what forums?
 - What will be role of human in forecasting process?
 - WCMs potentially a conduit to external community
 - We are going to have to educate and convey uncertainty information to users.
 - Potential baby step is to start sharing climatology of forecast errors with users.

New Actions:

- No specific actions. General action is to use this information as a basis for Team planning and revisit specific portions of material as planning discussions unfold.

- **Review of 2nd Draft of Team documents**

- So far only minor comments to TOR and meeting topics have been communicated

New Actions:

- Review all documents and send comments back to Hirschberg by COB Feb. 23 (All)
- Send current uncertainty forecast (UF) related activities to Doug Hilderbrand by COB Feb 26. (All)

Next Meeting: 11:00 EST, February 27, 2007, RM 16246

Topic: NRC Report and discussion – Bob Ryan

We will be attempting to use “GoToMeeting” software. More info coming.
Fall back will be VTC/Telecon