

E.2 Lead Project Scientist

E.2.1 Preflight

- ☒ 1. Participate in general mission briefing.
- ☒ 2. Determine specific mission and flight requirements for assigned aircraft.
- ☐ 3. Determine from field program director whether aircraft has operational fix responsibility and discuss with AOC flight director/meteorologist unless briefed otherwise by field program director.
- ☒ 4. Contact HRD members of crew to:
 - a. Assure availability for mission.
 - b. Review field program safety checklist
 - c. Arrange ground transportation schedule when deployed.
 - d. Determine equipment status.
- ☒ 5. Meet with AOC flight director and navigator at least 3 hours before take-off for initial briefing.
- ☒ 5. Meet with AOC flight crew at least 2 hours before take-off for crew briefing. Provide copies of flight requirements and provide a formal briefing for the flight director, navigator, and pilots.
- ☒ 6. Report status of aircraft, systems, necessary on-board supplies and crews to appropriate HRD operations center (MGOC in Miami).
- ☒ 7. Before take-off, brief the on-board GPS dropsonde operator on times and positions of drop times.
- ☐ 8. Collect "mess" fee (\$2.00) from all on-board HRD flight crew members.

E.2.2 In-Flight

- ☒ 1. Confirm from AOC flight director that satellite data link is operative (information).
- ☒ 2. Confirm camera mode of operation.
- ☒ 3. Confirm data recording rate. *(Bo Black not able to change to 2400 as planned)*
- ☒ 4. Complete Form E-2.
- ☒ 5. Check in with the flight director to make sure the mission is going as planned (i.e. turns are made when they are supposed to be made).

E.2.3 Post flight

- ☐ 1. Debrief scientific crew.
- ☐ 2. Report landing time, aircraft, crew, and mission status along with supplies (tapes, etc.) remaining aboard the aircraft to MGOC.
- ☐ 3. Gather completed forms for mission and turn in at the appropriate operations center. [Note: all data removed from the aircraft by HRD personnel should be cleared with the AOC flight director.]
- ☐ 4. Obtain a copy of the 10-s flight listing from the AOC flight director. Turn in with completed forms.

- _____ 5. Obtain a copy of the radar DAT tapes. Turn in with completed forms.
- _____ 6. Obtain a copy of the all VHS videos form aircraft cameras (3-4 approx.). Turn in with completed forms.
- _____ 7. Obtain a copy of CD with all flight data. Turn in with completed forms.
- _____ 8. Determine next mission status, if any, and brief crews as necessary.
- _____ 9. Notify MGOC as to where you can be contacted and arrange for any further coordination required.
- _____ 10. Prepare written mission summary using form E-2 p.3 (due to Field Program Director 1 week after the flight).

Lead Project Scientist Check List

Date June 30 2004 Aircraft NOAA 43 Flight ID 040630T

A. — Participants:

HRD		AOC	
Function	Participant	Function	Participant
Lead Project Scientist	<u>Landsea</u>	Flight Director	<u>Mayaux/Damiano</u>
Cloud Physics	<u>B. Blach</u>	Pilots	<u>Silah/Choy</u>
Radar	<u>"</u>	Navigator	<u>Gallagher</u>
Workstation	<u>"</u>	Systems Engineer	<u>Lynch</u>
Photographer/Observer	<u>Renta</u>	Data Technician	<u>Tong</u>
Dropwindsonde	<u>Uhlhorn</u>	Electronics Technician	
AXBT/AXCP/Guest	<u>Calderon</u>	Other	<u>CBLAST participants French, Lasswell, Trind</u>

Take-Off: 1505Z Location: Tampa 28° 25'

Landing: 1951Z Location: Tampa

Number of Eye Penetrations: _____

B. — Past and Forecast Storm Locations:

Date/Time	Latitude	Longitude	MSLP	Maximum Wind
<u>None - Test Flight</u>				

C. — Mission Briefing:

CBLAST Test flight

- ① Circle over AOC for Lasswell instrument calibration;
- ② Head to buoy 42003 (26.01°, 83.91°)
Go through light rain/clouds for Lasswell & Trind instruments before buoy.
- ③ Begin stair-step descents:
2400, 1200, 900, 600, 400
~~300, 200, 100, 50~~
- ④ ~~300, 200, 100, 50~~
probe calibration maneuvers
320 ✓ 320 ✓ 320 ✓ 305 ✓ 200
140 ✓ 140 ✓ 140 ✓ 125 ✓ 110

D. — Equipment Status (Up ↑, Down ↓, Not Available —, Not Used O)

Equipment	Pre-Flight	In-Flight	Post-Flight	# of DATs or Expendables
Aircraft	✓			
Radar/LF	✓			
Radar/TA (Doppler)	✓			
Cloud Physics	None			
Data System	✓			
GPS sondes	✓			
AXBT/AXCP	✓			
Workstation	✓			
Videography	✓			

REMARKS:

Delay in takeoff due to light bulb + display malfunction.

Lead Project Scientist Event Log

Date June 30, 2004 Flight 040630 I LPS Landsea

? for Pete -
- TURN Lt or Rt?
- minor glitch
- Shut up/down unit?
- radar belly down

Time	Event	Position	Comments
15:05	Take off		(An hour late due to panel replacement)
15:07	Begin Roll maneuvers over MacDill		for Hasswell
15:12	Completed, begin ascent		
15:20	Attempting to get belly radar up		(and tail)
15:26	Turn to 180 track for CB terrain penetration		
15:41	Tail radar up / belly out (won't spin)		
15:48	Drop sonobuoy channel #10 in shower		-900m flight - 11.7kft
15:53	Turned back to original shower		- track 270°
15:55	Sonobuoy channel #11 launched		
15:58	Done with rain tests, head to buoy up to 6,500'		
16:36	Drop GPS - Reached buoy 42003 25°58' - 85°53'		
	Spiral descent begun to 2400'		(minor mistake by var - ended up going East from buoy)
16:47	Over buoy turn to 320° track (with wind)		
16:48	Launch 2 AXBT #12, #16 begun 2400' leg		
16:53	End of leg - turn to 140° track - Rt turn -		
16:56	Start of leg 2400' against wind 140		
17:02	End of leg - turn Rt to 320° track - descend to 1200'		
17:04	Start of leg 1200'		
17:05	AXBT launch - #14		
17:10	End of leg - turn Rt to 140° track		
17:12	Start of leg - 1200' - 140° track		
17:18	End of leg - turn Rt + descend to 900'		
17:21	Start of leg - 900' - 320 track		
17:22	AXBT #12, 16 deployed		
17:28	End of leg - turn to Rt - 140° track		
17:30	Start of leg - 900' - 140° track		
17:37	End of leg + turn to Left track 305 - 600'		

Turn to Rt.

110 kts wind

best track

140° Free

2004 42003

26° 01'

85° 55'

20 nm legs

with wind (~10 kts)

IAS 195

with wind

GS 205

3 1/2 miles/min

6 min

against wind

GS 185

3 mi/min

7 min

Lead Project Scientist Event Log

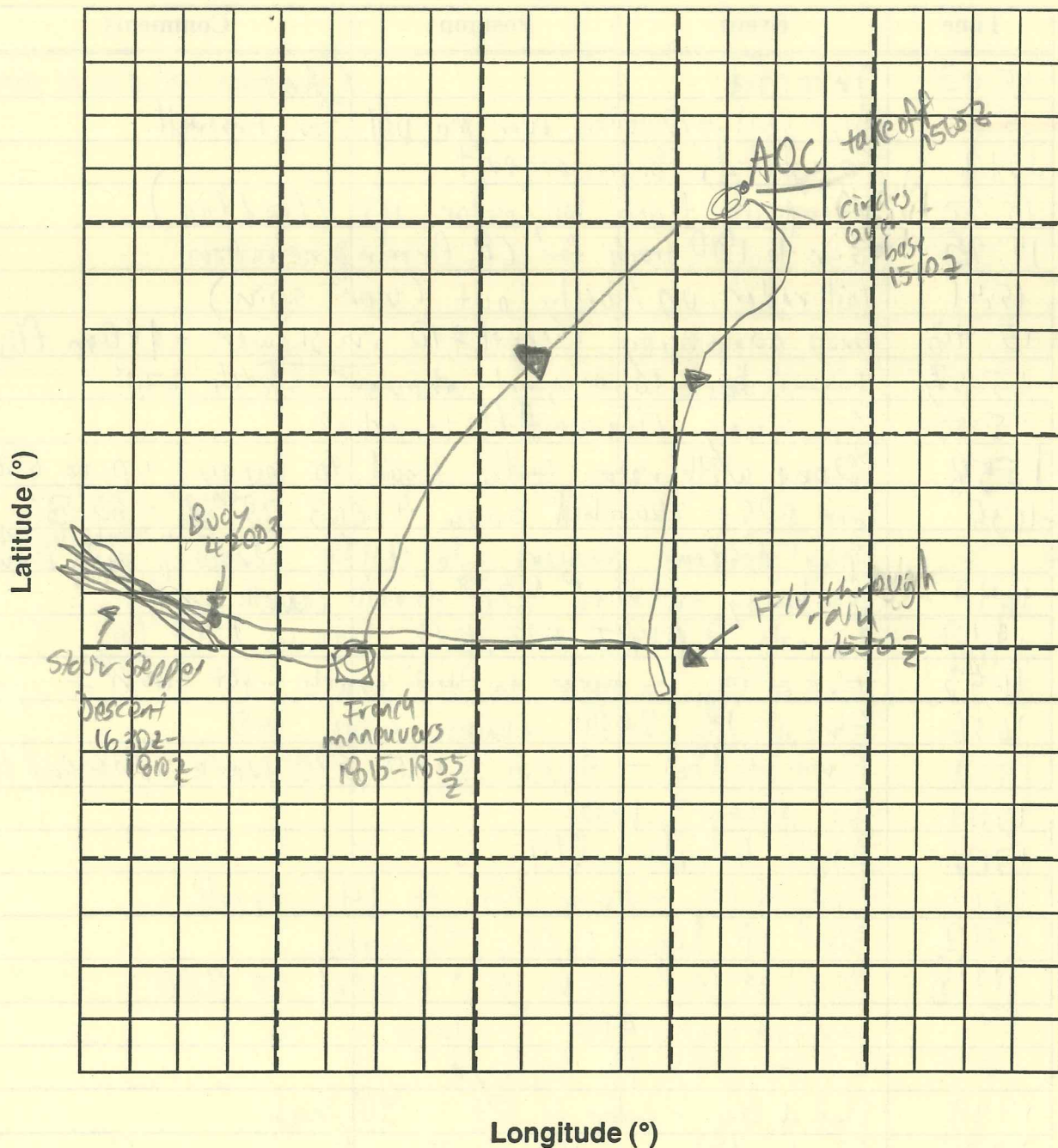
Date June 30, 2004 Flight 040630I LPS Land-sea

Time	Event	Position	Comments
1739	Start Leg 600'	305°	
1740	AXBT Drop #14	/	
1745	End leg turn to 125°		
1747	Start leg 600'	125° track	
1753	End of leg - descending +	turn to 290° + 400'	
1756	Start of leg 400'	290° track	
1802	End of leg - turn to 110°	track	
1804	Start of last leg 400'	110° track	
1810	End of leg + start stepped maneuvers		
	Ascend to 3000'	+ begin French's calibration tests.	
1818	Begin Pitch maneuvers	- Heading 90°	
1824	Turn back to 270 heading	- Yaw maneuvers -	
1830	Turn back to 90° heading		
1832	Begin ^(final) yaw maneuvers -		
1840	Begin speed up - slow down maneuvers	- 170 kt to	
1843	Box Pattern (110°-020°-280°-200°)		
1851	Circle maneuver		
1856	Head to McDill		
1951	Land at McDill		

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Observer's Flight Track Worksheet

Date June 30, 2004 Flight 040630I Observer _____



Mission Summary

Storm name

YYMMDDA# Aircraft 4_RF

Scientific Crew (4 RF)

Lead Project Scientist Landsea
Radar Scientist B. Black
Cloud Physics Scientist _____
Dropwindsonde Scientist _____
Boundary-Layer Scientist E. Uhlhorn
Workstation Scientist _____
Observers Calderon, Renta

Mission Briefing: (include sketch of proposed flight track or page #)

See page 1 of 5

Mission Synopsis: (include plot of actual flight track)

Actual Track - page 4 of 5

Evaluation: (did the experiment meet the proposed objectives?)

Yes, were able to test/calibrate all instruments and complete stair stepped maneuvers as planned. Stair-steps able to go from 2400, 1200, 900, 600 and 400. Excellent interaction with flight director (Marty Mayoaux)

Problems: (list all problems)

- 1) Belly radar - not working (won't spin)
- 2) B. Black not able to change data to 2400

Expendables used in mission:

GPS sondes: 1 (all functioned) - 1 GPS transmitter back -
AXBTs: 6
Sonobuoys: 2