

NOAA P-3 GPS Dropwindsonde Scientist Log (revised March 2019)

Storm *Sam*
Mission ID *WB18A*

Flight ID *20210925H1*
(exp. 0213A)

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1	-41159	2135	13.5	50.5	1011.9	025/17	10			01
Comments	IP Combo - satellite overpass HRD?									
2	-30658	2149	13.35	49.8	1008.4	345/18	10			02
Comments	IP Combo									
3	-40140	2159	13.34	49.19	1008	345/18	10			03
Comments	1st Mid PT									
4	-40223	2204	13.31	48.84	996.2	305/59	10			04
Comments	1st RMR									
5	-30666	2206	13.297	48.665	985.3	260/43	10			05
Comments	2nd RMR									
6	-40375	220705	13.296	48.633	950.2	25/120	10			06
Comments	eye wall 3 - W -									
7	50545	220750	13.293	48.578	945	120/04	10			07
Comments	Center									
8	40395	220929	13.284	48.462	966.5	56/30	10			08
Comments	Outband E 1st RMR 62m/s									
9	31075	220959	13.281	48.431	973.4	066/24	10			09
Comments	Eye wall E. 2nd 63m/s									
10	20757	2215	13.255	48.108	1005.0	130/48	10			10
Comments	Mid band E									

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The Lead Project Scientist (LPS) on the P3 is responsible for determining the distribution patterns for dropwindsonde releases. Predetermined desired data collection patterns are illustrated on the flight patterns. However, these patterns are often altered because of clearance problems, etc. Operational procedures are contained in the operator's manual. On the G-IV the sole HRD person is designated the LPS. The following list contains more general supplementary procedures to be followed. (Check off or initial.)

Preflight

- ☒ 1. Determine the status of the AVAPS and workstation. Report results to the LPS.
- ☒ 2. Confirm the mission and pattern selection with the LPS and assure that enough dropsondes are on board the aircraft.
- ☒ 3. Modify the flight pattern or drop locations if requested by AOC to accommodate changes in storm location or closeness to land.
- ☒ 4. Complete the appropriate preflight set-up and checklists.

In-Flight

- ☒ 1. Operate the system as specified in the operator's manual.
- ☒ 2. Ensure the AOC flight director is aware of upcoming drops.
- ☒ 3. Ensure the AVAPS operator has determined that the dropsonde is (or is not) transmitting a good signal. Recommend if a backup dropsonde should be launched in case of failure.
- ☐ 4. Report the transmission of each drop and fill in the Dropwindsonde Scientist Log.

Post Flight

- ☒ 1. Complete Dropwindsonde Scientist Log.
- ☒ 2. Download all raw and processed AVAPS files to thumbdrive
- ☒ 3. Brief the LPS on equipment status and turn in completed forms and thumbdrive.
- ☒ 4. Debrief at the base of operations.
- ☒ 5. Determine the status of future missions and notify Field Program Director as to where you can be contacted.

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						Dir/Spd (deg/kt)	Hgt (m)			
21	40479	2308	12.866	48.977	1005.8	260/35	10			20 ✓
Comments	<i>MID SW</i>									
22	50547	2322	12.337	49.382	1006.9	205/21	10			21 ✓
Comments	<i>END Pt. SE Combo</i>									
23	20799	2346	12.387	49.126	1011.8	170/21	10			22 ✓
Comments	<i>3rd IP Combo SE</i>									
24	41006	2349	12.927	48.459	1006.1	210/40	10			23 ✓
Comments	<i>MID - SE</i>									
25	30479	2355	13.305	48.685	965	126/57	10			24 ✓
Comments	<i>RHW1 SE 80 m/s</i>									
26	50543	2356	13.348	48.706	955.5	111/62	10			25 ✓
Comments	<i>RHW2 SE 83.4 m/s</i>									
27	50526	2356	13.35	48.709	953.7	09132	10			26 ✓
Comments	<i>RHW3 SE 68 m/s</i>									
28	40775	2357	13.445	48.767	945	09524	10			27 ✓
Comments	<i>Density</i>									
29	51136	2358	13.52	48.822	965.9	32134	10			28 ✓
Comments	<i>RHW1 NW 69.2 m/s</i>									
30	30702	2358	13.527	48.826	—	—	10			29 ✓
Comments	<i>RHW2 NW - not send bad gauge. End at 500 m 8</i>									

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11	50519	222314	13.202	47.546	1010.4	120/35	10			11
Comments	END point E combo									
12	10046	2242	14.336	48.132	1005.8	105/43	10			12
Comments	New 1P 14E									
13		2238							band	
Comments	BAND Sando									
14	50570	225725	14.444	48.57	963.9	011/05	10			13
Comments	Eyewall									
15	20772	225743	13.427	48.586	957.6	330/44	10			14
Comments										
16	40144	225757	13.413	48.543	950.7	016/04	10			15
Comments	Eyewall 3									
17	30736	2259	13.325	48.651	945	120/16	10			16
Comments	Center 2									
18	50567	230101	13.247	48.704	972.4	206/03	10			17
Comments	RMW 1 SW									
19	20770	23012	13.238	48.711	974.2	205/44	10			18
Comments	RMW 2 SW									
20	30476	230156	13.202	48.137	984	220/45	10			19
Comments	RMW 3 SW									

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<i>31</i>	<i>20801</i>	<i>2359</i>	<i>13.535</i>	<i>48.833</i>						<i>bad</i>
Comments	<i>RAW 3 NW - data ends at 800m. no sat</i>									
<i>32</i>	<i>30735</i>	<i>0005</i>	<i>13.924</i>	<i>49.108</i>	<i>1007.3</i>	<i>050/47</i>	<i>10</i>			<i>29</i>
Comments	<i>MTD NW</i>									
<i>33</i>	<i>20760</i>	<i>0012</i>	<i>14.327</i>	<i>49.394</i>	<i>1011.6</i>	<i>070/27</i>	<i>10</i>			<i>30</i>
Comments	<i>EMP PT NW - 15mb -</i>									
<i>34</i>	<i>50849</i>	<i>0035</i>	<i>14.375</i>	<i>50.908</i>	<i>1011.2</i>	<i>025/28</i>	<i>10</i>			<i>-31</i>
Comments	<i>Altitude Combo Navy</i>									
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