

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 filed 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.
- 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. Determine next mission status, if any, and brief crews as necessary.
- 6. Notify MGOC as to where you can be contacted and arrange for any further coordination required.
- 7. Prepare written mission summary using form E-2 p.3 (due to Field Program Director 1 week after the flight).

On-Board Lead Project Scientist Check List

Date 14 September 2003 Aircraft N13RF Flight ID 030914I

A. Participants:

HRD		AOC	
Function	Participant	Function	Participant
Lead Project Scientist	<u>Aberson / Mike Black</u>	Flight Director	<u>Elberty / Damiano</u>
Cloud Physics	<u>Whithorn / French / Drennen / LaTwill</u>	Pilots	<u>Tennessee / Tebeest / Strong</u>
Radar	<u>Mike Black / Aberson</u>	Navigator	<u>Brakob</u>
Workstation	<u>Mike Black</u>	Systems Engineer	<u>Bast</u>
Photographer/Observer	_____	Data Technician	<u>Lynch</u>
Omegasonde	<u>Aberson / Mike Black</u>	Electronics Technician	<u>Tong / Smith</u>
AXBT/AXCP/Guest	<u>Floyd (press)</u>	Other	_____

Take-Off: 145443 Location: St Croix
 Landing: 2225 Location: St Croix Number of Eye Penetrations: 1

B. Past and Forecast Storm Locations:

Date/Time	Latitude	Longitude	MSLP	Maximum Wind

C. Mission Briefing:

Penetration S → N, then step descents, possible leg along inner eyewall

D. Equipment Status (Up, Down, Not Available, Not Used)

Equipment	Pre-Flight	In-Flight	Post-Flight
Aircraft	X		
Radar/LF	X		
Radar/TA (Doppler)	X		
Cloud Physics	X		
Data System	X		
Omegasondes	X		
AXBT/AXCP			
Workstation	X		
Videography			

REMARKS:

1711 Prop N ...

1715 Prop N ...

1730 Prop N ...

1745 Prop N ...

Lead Project Scientist Event Log

Date 14 September 2003

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LPS Aberson

CIP probe not working

Time	Event	Position	Comments
145443	Takeoff		
151707	Start box pattern ^{a circles} for left French		31kt
153332	End left French calibration maneuvers.		begin coordination w/42
1550	Through band, tortoise	TAIL, not in FAST	
158130	Sanber seen below	>25 kt SFMR, some breaking waves	
	Eye semi ~50 nm across on radar		
	TEAL inside at 1715		
1622	into convection >50 mi S of eyewall, >40 dBZ		flevel wind max ~77kt SFMR windmax inside that
	Eye semi about 45 nm across		
	First sonobuoy to channel 11		
1631	flevel winds suddenly jumped over 100kt		then back down to 85kt moderate turbulence, heavy rain SFMR windmax just inside
1632	Another sudden jump >100kt, not so much		turbulence
1638	Started 4 drop sequence, sonobuoy on last		drop
1654	Drop in 10000ft convection in eye		
1701	Drop in end of stratiform		
1706	Drop near tall cloud in eye		
1721	Prop N eye wall inner		
172115	Prop N eye wall outer		
17230	Prop N eye wall? outer		
17245	Prop N eye wall		

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Date 9/14/03 Flight 0 LPS _____

Went
to
NE
side

Time	Event	Position	Comments
173020	60 mi NoEye turn right and descend		
173300	Sonobuoy + spiral descent to area for step descent		
1750	Gave up on this area - closed up		
181230	Start 1200' downwind leg		
181900	End 30 mi downwind leg		
182030	Start 900' upwind		
182830	End 900' upwind		
183000	Begin 600' downwind		
183440	End 600' leg upwind		
184440	End 450' leg upwind		
184620	200' leg downwind		
185250	End 200' leg		
185430	1200' cross + outward		
190100	End 1200' cross		
190600	End 900' cross + inward		
190720	Begin 600' cross outward		
191320	End 600' leg crosswind		
191510	Begin 400' leg		
191940	End 400' leg inbound		
192140	Start 200' leg		
192740	End 250' leg downwind		
194250	Descend back to 1200' - closer in north of eye		
194600	Start 1200' leg downwind		
194945	End 1200'		
195030	900' downwind leg		

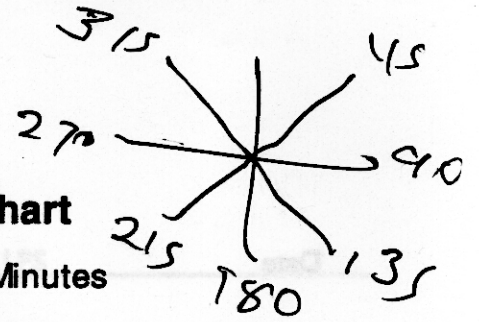
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10.50
ATK-101
60.55
10.50

20.80
10.5

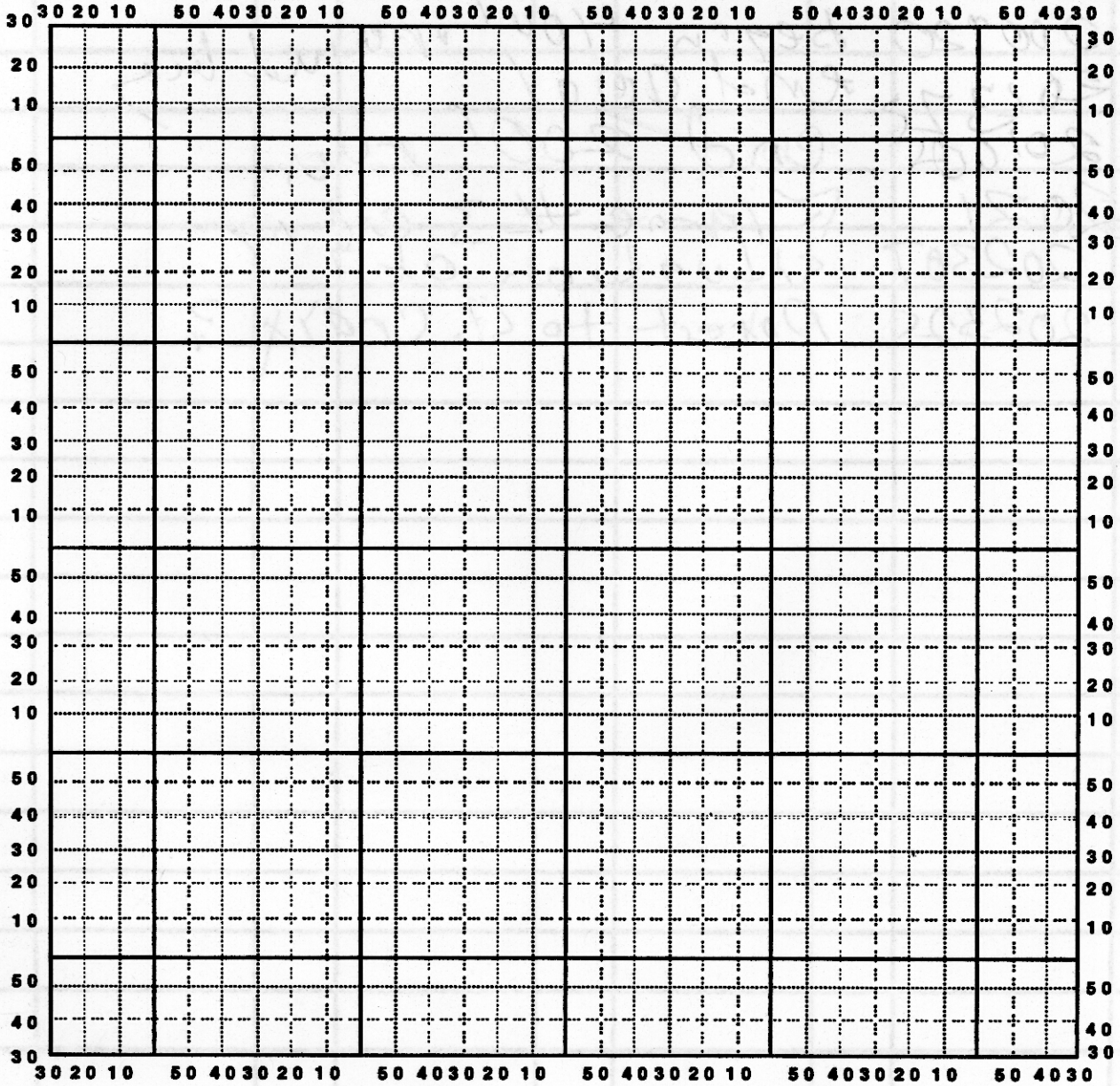
195830 end 900' downwind leg
20004 end 900' crosswind
turn to 010⁻¹⁵ - begin
600' upwind leg - west of eye

Hurricane Recco Plotting Chart

True at 25° Latitude, in Degrees and Minutes



Date _____ Flight ID _____ LPS _____



Note : Label full degrees according to location of the flight area.

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Date _____ Flight _____ LPS _____

Time	Event	Position	Comments
200920	begin 400' wind		
20137	end 400'		wind by
201605	end 200' run		
2021	Change to 3 end		
202307	situation of		
202325	Direct to St. Croix ?		

Note: Lat/Long degrees according to location of the flight area

$$\frac{dp}{dx} = \frac{9000}{6 \times 10^5} = \frac{9 \times 10^3}{6 \times 10^5} = 1.5 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$f = 5 \times 10^{-5}$$

$$\rho = 1.2$$

$$r = 6 \times 10^5$$

$$V_g = \frac{-fr}{2} \pm \sqrt{f^2 r^2 - \frac{4}{\rho} \frac{dp}{dx}}$$

$$= \frac{-(5 \times 10^{-5})(6 \times 10^5)}{2} \pm \sqrt{(5 \times 10^{-5})^2 - \frac{4}{(6 \times 10^5)(1.2)} (1.5 \times 10^{-2})}$$

$$= -\frac{30 \times 10^0}{2} \pm \sqrt{25 \times 10^{-10} - \frac{6 \times 10^{-2}}{7.2 \times 10^5}}$$

$$= -15 \pm \sqrt{2.5 \times 10^{-11} - 10^{-7}}$$