

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 N18RF Flight ID 030914I

A. Participants:

HRD		AOC	
Function	Participant	Function	Participant
Lead Project Scientist	<u>Aberson / Mike Black</u>	Flight Director	<u>Elaberty / Darciano</u>
Cloud Physics	<u>Whithorn / French / Drannen / LaSwell</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 Number of Eye Penetrations: 1
 Landing: 2225 Location: St Croix

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:

Lead Project Scientist Event Log

Date 14 September 2003

Flight 030914I

LPS Aberson

CIP probe not working

Time	Event	Position	Comments
145443	Takeoff		
151707	Start box pattern ^{a circles} for Jeff French		3Kft
153332	End Jeff French calibration maneuvers, begin coordination w/48		
1550	Through band, turning TAIL, not in FAST		
155430	Lanker seen below	>25 kt SFMR, some breaking waves	
	Eye seems ~50 nm across on radar		
	TEAL inside at 1715		
1622	Into convection >50 mi S of eye wall, >40 dBZ, flevel wind max ~77kt		SFMR windmax inside that
	Eye seems about 45 mi across		
	First sonobuoy to be 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		
1624	Drop in 10000ft convection in eye		
1701	Drop in end of stratification		
1706	Drop near tall cloud in eye		
1721	Prop N eye wall inner		
172115	Prop N eye wall outer		
172130	Prop N eye wall outer		
172145	Prop N eye wall		

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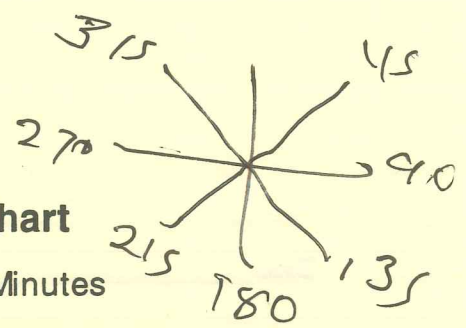
Lead Project Scientist Event Log

Date 9/14/03 Flight 0 LPS _____

Work
to
NE
side

Time	Event	Position	Comments
173020	60 mi NoEye turn right and descend		
173308	Sonobuoy + spiral descent to area for step descent		
1750	Gave up on this area - closed up		
181230	Start 1200' downwind leg		60xx
181900	End 30 mi downwind leg		SFC
182030	Start 900' upwind		
182830	end 900' upwind		
183001	Begin 600' downwind		70.80
183440	End 600' leg upwind		70.80
184440	End 400' leg upwind		70.80
184621	200' leg downwind		70.80
185250	end 200' leg		70.80
185436	1200' cross + outward		70.80
190100	End 1200' cross		70.80
1906	End 800 ft cross + inward		70.80
190721	begin 600' cross outward		70.80
191321	end 600' leg crosswind		70.80
191514	begin 400' leg		70.80
191940	end 400' leg inward		70.80
192140	start 200' leg		70.80
192740	end 250' leg upwind		70.80
194251	Descend back to 1200' - closer in north of eye		70.80
194607	start 1200' leg downwind		70.80
194945	end 1200'		70.80
195030	900' downwind leg		70.80

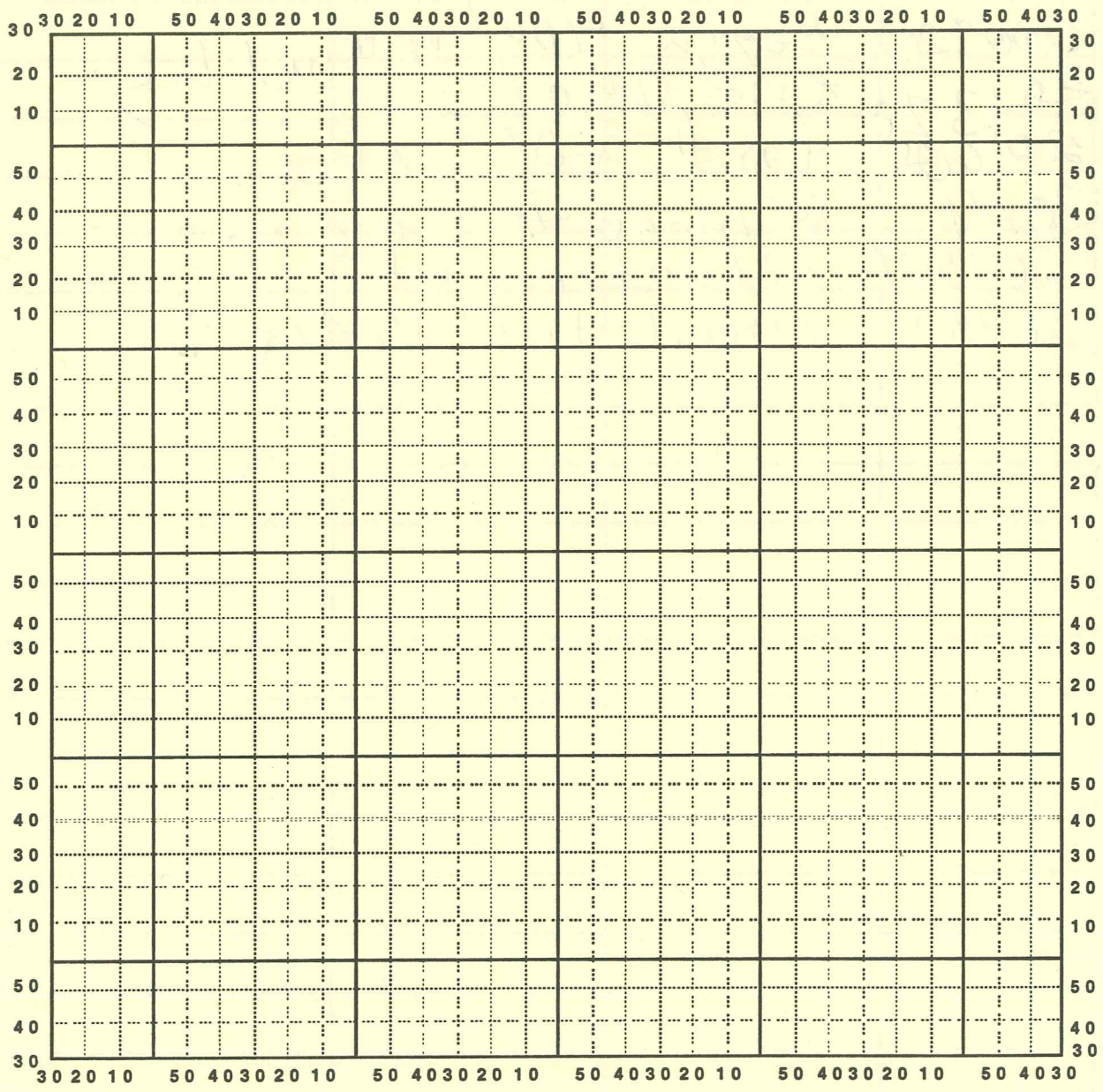
195830 end 900' downwind leg
20004 end 900' crosswind
start to 010¹⁵ - begin
600' upwind leg - west of eye.



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.

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

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

$$\rho = 1.2$$

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

$$V_0 = \frac{-fr}{2} \pm \sqrt{f^2 - \frac{4}{\rho} \frac{dp}{dx}}$$

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

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

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