

NOAA, National Geodetic Survey
HEIGHT MODERNIZATION COORDINATION MEETING
DRAFT - Meeting Notes – January 8, 2009

In attendance:

- **call-ins from: MI (Andy Semenchuk), AZ (Gene Trobia), ID (Rayce Ruiz), KY (Wolfgang Ziegler), NM (Earl Burkholder), WA (Dave Steele), WI (Dave Moyer, Darin Henkel), CA (Maria Turingan), OR (Ken Bays), TX (Gary Jeffress, Dan Prouty), IL (Amy Eller, Bev Herzog),**

- **in Silver Spring and other NGS, Gilbert Mitchell, Bill Henning, Ajit Singh, Erika Wilson (Corbin), Dan Winester (CO), Renee Shields, Eric Linzey, Sonita Tiwari, Tom Landon (CO-OPS)**

- **Advisors/Coordinators: Jim Harrington (AL), Brian Shaw (AR), Dave Minkel (AZ), Jim Harrington (AL), Marti Ikehara (CA), Curt Smith (ID/MT), Chris Pearson (IL), Dave Rigney (MI), Warren Payton (NJ), Cliff Middleton (TX)**

The main discussion for the first hour was about a workshop concept being developed for a height mod workshop at NGS' Corbin Training Center. Much of the discussion revolved around the difficulties a long multi-scope workshop would face – budget constraints for attendees, different topics for different audiences

Grants – Gathering responses to reviewers comments; negotiations phase will begin when budget is passed by Congress

Models and Tools

- LOCUS (Leveling online computing user service) - OPUS leveling is nearly operational. Application will be demonstrated to PSC. When they have approved it an announcement will be posted on the NGS web site home page.
- THM Level Tool – Topcon formats have been acquired and programmer is building the code to use the application with Topcon equipment.

Outreach, Education, Capacity Building

- ACSM – Renee is holding a 4-hour national forum to present and discuss the transition in 2018 from NAVD 88 to a new vertical datum based on the gravitational geoid developed in the GRAV-D plan.

Other Business

Illinois is polling their community on the condition of the vertical network there. Bev is going to send Renee the notice that was distributed to share with others wanting to do the same thing.

Next meeting on February 12, 2009