

DRAFT – 06/10/09

Summary

# AGENDA

## *Sixth GOES Users' Conference*

**November 3-5, 2009**

**Madison, Wisconsin**

***Conference Goal:*** Help users to better use GOES and prepare for GOES-R

***Conference Objectives:***

- 1) Seek ways/define methodologies to ensure user readiness for GOES-N and -R series;
- 2) Continue to improve communication between NOAA and the GOES user communities;
- 3) Inform users on the status of the GOES-N and -R series constellation, instruments, and operations;
- 4) Promote understanding for the various applications of data and products from the GOES-R series;

### ***November 2 (Monday):***

The 50 year anniversary of the 1st meteorological satellite experiment (on Explorer VII) will be commemorated on Monday, November 2nd (2009). The program will begin at 5pm and will consist of presentations, followed by a reception at the Monona Terrace.

### ***November 3 (Tuesday):***

***Session 1: Welcome***

***Introduction, GEOSS, Keynote***

***Session 2: Information Briefings I***

***Current Constellation, GOES-13, GOES-N Series and EMWIN/LRIT***

**12:00-1:30 pm Lunch (included)**

**Lunch Panel:**

**Status and Plans for GEO and HEO Satellites in the International Community**

***Session 3: Information Briefings II***

***GOES-R Program and Earth-Observing Instruments***

***Session 4: Information Briefings III***

***Solar and space, Ground Systems and Products***

***Reception and Poster Reviews***

## ***November 4 (Wednesday)***

***Session 5: GOES-R User Readiness***

***Session 6: Breakout Questions/Issues***

**GOES-R Town hall Meeting (Lunch Provided)  
“The Need for an Advanced Sounder on GOES”**

***Session 7: Breakouts***

### ***Breakout Sessions:***

GOES Transition – 11 through S, Product Implementation & Processing, Atmosphere, Other Application Areas, Product Distribution, ABI, Other instruments, Training

***Banquet      Speakers: “The Weather Guys” (Jon Martin & Steve Ackerman)***

## ***November 5 (Thursday)***

***Session 8:  
Breakout Session Results and Wrap-Up***

***Session 9:  
A Look to the Future***

11:30 am ***Luncheon*** “A Look Into the Future” - Steve Ackerman

**Afternoon:** A briefing and demonstration of McIDAS V

