

**REGIONAL ASSOCIATION IV (NORTH
AMERICA, CENTRAL AMERICA AND
THE CARIBBEAN)**

Fourth Session of the RA IV Management Group

Hamilton

10 March 2010

FINAL REPORT



**WORLD METEOROLOGICAL
ORGANIZATION**

**RA IV MANAGEMENT GROUP
Meeting No. 4**

(Hamilton, Bermuda, 10 March 2010)

The fourth meeting of the Regional Association IV Management Group was held on 10 March 2010 with attendance by:

Mr. Arthur Rolle – Chairman and President of RA IV

Mr. Bruce Angle – Canada

Mr. Fred Branski – United States of America

Ms. Courtney Draggon – United States of America

Ms. Caroline Corvington – United States of America

Mr. Bill Read – Director of the National Hurricane Center

Mr. Tyrone Sutherland – British Caribbean Territories

Mr. Fred Sambula- British Caribbean Territories

Mr. Eduardo Planos _ Regional Hydrological Advisor

Mr. Hugo Hidalgo – WMO

The following issues were discussed:

- Task Teams
- RA IV SOP
- Strategic and Operating Plan deadline

TASK TEAMS

1. The meeting was informed by the RA IV President that only a few countries have answered his request to nominate members to the different task teams.
2. WMO RA IV Office will resend the President's request letter to the countries as soon as possible.

RA IV SOP

3. The meeting was informed by Canada that Mr. David Grimes identified Mr. Mike Crowe as his alternate, and that Canada accepted to lead the SOP effort.
4. USA is willing to assist the lead in this regard and NOAA IA will coordinate but no specific name was suggested as yet. Mrs. Courtney Draggon is the point of contact for now.
5. British Caribbean Territories identified Mr. Fred Sambulla as its alternate.

STRATEGIC AND OPERATING PLAN DEADLINE

6. The Management Group discussed the WMO deadline for SOP (Ref: WMO letter SG/ASG/SPO/RA-OP) and after consultation with H. Hidalgo of the WMO RA IV Office, a more reasonable deadline of April 15 was suggested.