

## **MANITOBA DRI USERS WORKSHOP**

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

**January 14, 2010**

**Portage Room, Radisson Hotel, 288 Portage Avenue**

**Winnipeg Manitoba**

#### Objectives:

- To inform Manitoba users of the research results from the Drought Research Initiative that may be useful to their applications.
- To obtain input on the elements of the potential DRI legacy that would be most useful for users.

#### AGENDA:

09:00-09:10: Welcome and Introductions

09:10-09:20: Introduction to the Canadian Foundation for Climate and Atmospheric Sciences (Dawn Conway)

09:20-09:40: Introduction to DRI (Ron Stewart, Rick Lawford)

09:40 – 10:00: The DRI Drought Characterization Synthesis and its importance for drought monitoring (John Hanesiak)

10:00 – 10:20: The Partners Advisory Committee: The users advocates (Harvey Hill)

10:20 - 10:45: Coffee

10:45 – 11:05: Drought impacts (Elaine Wheaton)

11:05 – 11:25: Agricultural drought and impacts on wheat quality (Paul Bullock)

11:25 – 11:45: Coupling Nitrogen Transport and Transformation Model with Land Surface Scheme SABAE-HW and its Application on the Canadian Prairies (Alireza Hejazi and Al Woodbury)

11:45 – 12:00: Drought monitoring (Trevor Hadwen)

12:00 – 13:15: Lunch (on your own)

13:15 – 14:00: Feedback from the user community on the benefits of DRI:

- Manitoba Agriculture (Andy Nadler)
- Manitoba Hydro (Efrem Teklemariam )
- Agriculture and Agrifood Canada (Irene Hanuta)
- Red River Basin Commission (Derek Smith)
- Others

14:00 – 15:15: The DEWS Table Top Exercise (Phil Harder, Elaine Wheaton, Rick Lawford)

15:15 – 15:30: Coffee

15:30 – 15:45: Overview of the current plans for the DRI Legacy and Introduction to the Breakout Groups (Rick Lawford, Phil Harder)

15:45 – 16:30: Breakout discussions on “What should DRI leave behind to support.....

Group A – Manitoba Agriculture?

Group B – Manitoba Water Resources?

Group C- Other Manitoba and western Canada natural resources?”

16:30 – 17:15: Reports from the Breakout Groups and Workshop Summary