

CHARTER INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR AIRBORNE GEOSCIENCES RESEARCH AND APPLICATIONS

The Interagency Coordinating Committee for Airborne Geosciences Research and Applications (ICCAGRA) is established to improve cooperation, foster awareness, facilitate communication among sponsoring agencies having airborne **platforms** and instruments for research and applications, and serve as a resource to senior level management on airborne geosciences issues. The Committee will address interagency cooperation issues as they pertain to the use of airborne platforms and **instrument** payloads for individual investigators as well as national and international field campaigns.

Purpose and Functions

The primary purpose of the ICCAGRA is to increase the effective utilization of the Federal airborne fleet in support of airborne geoscience research programs conducted by the individual agencies. Specifically, the ICCAGRA will:

- a) **identify** interagency needs and exchange research program schedules
- b) improve coordination of airborne programs between agencies
- c) **ensure** timely identification of airborne geosciences program requirements of participating agencies
- d) enhance opportunities for interagency sharing of aircraft resources, airborne instrumentation and data to minimize duplication, and to expand science investigators' access to interagency assets
- e) provide expertise about airborne science issues to senior level decision makers
- f) evaluate the coordination processes and develop, as appropriate, interagency agreements to facilitate the transfer of airborne platforms or the purchase of reimbursable or cooperative flight time between cooperating agencies
- g) establish and maintain an ICCAGRA **Homepage** to include:
 - 1) the agencies' research **aircraft** capabilities
 - 2) a review of research aircraft usage covering the previous fiscal year and the expected flight plan for subsequent years
 - 3) recommendations to improve research aircraft utilization
 - 4) pointers to agency-specific airborne science net sites

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h) convene a one day program review where all participants present a review of airborne programs and plans to agency personnel.

Structure

The ICCAGRA will consist of representatives **from** the principal geosciences research aircraft sponsoring agencies, **e.g.**, NASA, NOAA, NSF, and ONR. A Chairman and an Executive Secretary will be elected annually **from** the principal agencies.

Meetings


Committee meetings will be called by the Chairman, who will also approve the agenda. The Committee will meet quarterly for the first year and thereafter on a suitable schedule as decided by committee members, but no less than two times per year. Minutes **of each** meeting will be prepared by the Executive Secretary and distributed in a timely manner to all participants.

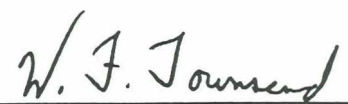
Review


The charter for this committee will be reviewed every three years, commencing April 1, 1997, in consideration for continuation.

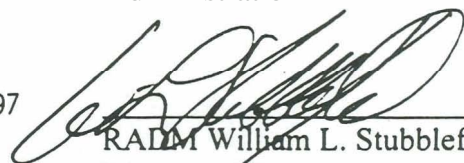
Termination

A member may withdraw **from** the committee at anytime by giving written notice to the other charter members.


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