2nd Circular

2nd International Workshop on Space-based Snowfall Measurement

31 March – 4 April 2008 Steamboat Springs Ski Village, Colorado

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This is the second Circular being distributed with regard to the 2nd International Workshop on Space-based Snowfall Measurement to be held in Steamboat Springs Ski Village, Colorado 31 March - 4 April, 2008. The goal of this meeting is to assess the state of the art in space -borne measurement of snowfall and report back to the International Precipitation Working Group. The announcement of this meeting (contained in the first Circular) is available on the IWSSM website: http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/IWSSM. If we missed you with the first circular or you have not registered yet, please accept this as an invitation to participate. Please distribute this announcement to potential IWSSM participants that you believe that we have missed and should attend.

In this mailing we would like to alert you to the following:

- 1. **Registration** for the meeting is online at the IWSSM website. Our deadline, for the purpose of planning, has been extended to February 29.
- 2. **Lodging** at the ski area is still available, and since this is the last week of ski season, we anticipate (but can not guarantee) that rooms will remain available right up to the meeting. Note that our block of rooms becomes available on 29 March (Saturday Night) and ends on 5 April (Saturday night) if you would like to extend you stay.
- 3. An additional fee of \$20 has been added to the registration fee for a total of \$270 and now includes transportation to the Storm Peak Laboratory (SPL) for non skiers and lift tickets for Monday, Wednesday and Friday for those visiting the laboratory on skies. The SPL will conduct an open house on Monday. There will be a formal tour conducted on Wednesday and a snow measurement demonstration will be conducted on Wednesday and Friday at the SPL.
- 4. The **registration fee** will include breakfast and lunch each day, coffee breaks and we expect at least one evening dinner.
- 5. **Registration fees** will be collected beginning February 4th on the IWSSM web site. We ask payment be submitted by March 1 to help in our planning of activities.

6. Our first cut at the IWSSM program and agenda is now available on the IWSSM site. A non-conventional agenda has been adapted to facilitate participation with new ideas and frank criticism by all participants of all topic areas. You can access the agenda directly at:

http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/iwssm/agenda.html

An explanation of the meeting format is available at

http://cimss.ssec.wisc.edu/iwssm/IWSSM.workshopformat.draft1.pdf

We are currently recruiting working group chairs in this regard.