

* The Systems Integration Branch (SIB) of NOAA provides management and regional policy for:

- Integration
- Utilization
- Operation
- Management of
- Computers
- Electronic weather equipment
- Telecommunications
- Facilities

* This branch manages the final phases of equipment installation and provides maintenance support for:

- Radar (Profiler)
- Satellite tracking
- Interrogation systems
- Upper air rawinsonde equipment
- Surface observation instrumentation

* The branch also provides regional management of all national programs such as:

- Automated Surface Observing System (ASOS)
- Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System (AWIPS)
- NOAA Weather Radio (NWR)
- NOAA Weather Wire Service (NWWS)

* SIB establishes the regional procedures to implement national policy

* SIB establishes regional policy for unique regional issues in the operational systems area

* SIB Chief serves as liaison w/ the Office of Operational Systems, other agencies (both Federal, State, and Local), media, private sector, other regions, the public, and academia

- The Chief also provides regional configuration management and can change management control for all operational weather systems

* The Branch provides expertise and technical guidance on:

- Technological applications of proven concept in:
 - The acquisition
 - Processing
 - Dissemination of:
 - _ Meteorological
 - _ Climatological
 - _ Hydrological
 - _ Related oceanographic data

- Management information systems

* SIB is responsible for operation and maintenance of regional satellite receiving station used to provide polar orbiting data to users in the region

* SIB administers the service contract for regional satellite systems services.

- This contract provides real time satellite data to internal and external customers

* 3 major programs are run from SIB

- Facilities Maintenance Program

- Maintains and supports existing facilities
- The manager provides support for maintenance and construction of all regional facilities
- Establishes regional procedures to implement national policy
- Provide ongoing maintenance
- Manage special projects
- Provide regional engineering support

- Electronics Maintenance Program

- Responsible for full lifecycle management, data acquisition, and data dissemination systems
- Responsible for establishing regional policy in the area of electronics maintenance
- Has a subdivision: Electronics Maintenance Unit (EMU)
 - _ Responsible for the equipment at each remote weather office
 - _ Responsible for repair, maintenance, installation, removal, and relocation of all electronic and electromechanical equipment

- Information Technology Management Program

- Has a few subdivisions that build it up:
 - _ Regional Telecommunications
 - _ Web Services, Applications Development, and Office Automation
 - _ Advanced Weather Information Processing System (AWIPS)
 - _ Computer Management Unit (CMU)