

**Status of 2017 SIW -- All planned SIW events for next week in Orlando are cancelled.**

The SISO Inc. Board of Directors (BoD) have reluctantly but unanimously voted to cancel the 2017 SIW scheduled for 10-15 September 2017 in Orlando. The BoD made this decision early based on three factors:

- Consideration for the safety of our members
- Received information about the current situation in Orlando and not wanting to add to the recovery problems in Orlando
- A request from The Florida Hotel to expedite our decision so they could accommodate a large number of emergency power workers supporting recovery activities

The EXCOM, CC, and BoD considered delaying the start of SIW, but rejected that option on the following factors:

- Hurricane track uncertainty denied us the ability to settle on delaying to Tuesday or Wednesday.
- Uncertainty of the ability of the hotel to support the workshop
- Changing and confusing airport and airline reports due to the wide variability in the forecasted winds.

As previously stated, the Florida Hotel and Conference center will accept cancellation of hotel reservations without penalty. Because of the high requirements for the rooms, the hotel would like you to cancel or confirm your reservations as soon as possible.

- Email the hotel at [reservations@thefloridahotelorlando.com](mailto:reservations@thefloridahotelorlando.com)
- Call the hotel at 1-800-588-4656

The Standards Activity Committee will coordinate with SG, PSG, and PDG Chairs the potential of holding virtual meetings (telecons) at their scheduled times next week. Watch for information on the group discussion forum, the SISO Web Site, SISO LinkedIn, or SISO Facebook.

NTSA/NDIA will process full refunds for all registrations beginning next week.

SISO is looking at options to reschedule the 2017 SIW, probably in early 2018. Watch for additional information in the near future.