What works well – best practices

- Internal Airline communication
- ATC Safety is maintained

What are the challenges – identified gaps

- At what point to divert
- At what point to unload passengers if not a gas & go



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- Timely and correct information.
 Breakdown in procedures between ATC and airport authorities
- Getting diversion aircraft airborne again.
- Communication between multiple entities



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Between airlines and airports (Both ways)

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- North Florida
- Central Florida
- South Florida
- Caribbean



What are the Triggers

- Before
- During
- After Event

Triggers

WX - Pop up in nature or frontal systems



Triggers

- Hurricanes Usually not a diversion event because adequate preplanning has already occurred
- Equipment Equipment or power outage/failure
- Construction



Triggers

 Special Interest flights- eg: Cubana flight diverting to a US airport with a medical emergency with unusual needs

Triggers

 Weather Plus Flights-weather has caused a diversion but now there are other concerns with the flight such aircraft size or needs on board. (eg; Customs, equipment limitations (eg: lack of air stairs, etc.)

Where are the gaps or disconnects?

- At what point to do aircraft divert (Common language or understanding between industry and FAA)
- At what point to unload passengers if not a gas & go

Where are the gaps or disconnects?

- Getting and receiving timely and correct information between airlines, airports, and FAA)
- Communications are often misinterpreted between multiple entities involved

Where are the gaps or disconnects?

- How to get diversion aircraft airborne again into the overhead stream without any additional undue delay
- Airports and airline needs and how they interact with each other and the FAA

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