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Today was another beautiful day in Heber Valley. The temps started off in the teens but as the day went on with mostly clear skies and the sun shinning it warmed up to the mid 30s.

It was Matts first day at CFACT so I decided to give him a day to settle in before taking him around. We just toured ISS1, Base, the sounding site and later went to the storage unit. Tomorrow depending on soil moisture data and if no other major issues arise we will begin the second set of soil samples. Matt also wants to begin taking Leica measurements as well.

Today we listened in on the CFACT daily meeting and learned that we will probably not have any IOPs until next week due to very low to no chances of fog the rest of the week. However, they have just stated no IOPs for the next 24 hrs. to be conservative. At some time this week they will also test out the tether sonde as this has been approved (only to 250ft).

Since Isabel gave me a great refresher on doing ISFS checks I was able to do the same for Matt for a few things plus show him the super cool new DSM dashboard (P.S. I really like this new feature). Today I just had to do a usb reset on HRLXs at CC and DCS and they came back up.

Glad I got to be involved in the ISFS meeting today!

After the discussion of power at DC during the meeting and Dan and I discussing a little more this evening, plus Steve's informative post we decided to stick to battery swaps. Its not much of an issue for us to spend 20-30 mins about once a week to change batteries (drive/swap time), and there is a possibility of the electrician getting back to Dan.

After the sounding today Matt and I went to the storage unit to check for PPE numbers on the EC150s and we were able to find the one Dan is looking for. Matt has the images and will be sending those.