This document currently does not cover the settings on devices. That will be added at a later date

Setting up recorders

Button on device

Items in menus

- 1. Insert external microphone in top of recorder
- 2. Secure the mic with two strips of gaffer tape, on the front and the back
- 3. Verify the usb battery pack is charged
 - a. Press the button
 - b. All 4 lights should show
- 4. Attach the recorder to the battery pack with the dual lock attached to both the recorder and the batter pack
 - a. The button of the battery pack should be visible
 - b. The mic should extend above the battery pack
- 5. Connect the recorder to the battery pack with the 90degree micro usb to USB A cable
- 6. Press the button on the battery pack
 - a. All 4 lights should show
- 7. Power on the recorder by holding the **power/home/stop** button
- 8. Press the **play** button to select *bus power*
- 9. A USB symbol ★ should show in the top right corner of the screen
- 10. Format the memory card so it is empty and ready to record
 - a. Press **menu**>system>fullformat
 - b. Yes you are sure all data will be erased
 - c. Press **home** to get back to the home screen
- 11. Set the time accurately
 - a. Press **menu**>others>date/time
 - b. Set the time based on https://www.time.gov/
 - c. Press **home** when it is set
- 12. Lay out the bags and match each recorder to a bag
 - a. Place a desiccant packet in each bag
 - b. Just set the recorder on the bag for now
- 13. Set the level to 70 on each recorder
 - a. Press record once
 - b. The record light should blink
 - c. Use the left/Right button
 - d. The input level should say 70
- 14. Start recording
 - a. Press record
 - b. The record light should be solid and the timer should be counting up
- 15. Set the hold switch on the side to hold
- 16. Say the following things loud and clear
 - a. "Testing on *month and day*"

- b. "The time will be *nearest minute on https://www.time.gov/ * on mark"
- c. "Mark!" at the correct time
- 17. Place the recorder in the bag with the labeled edge of the bag facing you
- 18. Roll the top of the bag over 3 times and buckle the buckle
- 19. Slide a zip tie through the buckle where it attaches to the bag so that it cannot be unbuckled without cutting the zip tie, secure it, and trim it
- 20. You are now ready to deploy recorders

Setting up Camera Battery Box

- 1. Verify that the battery pack is charged
 - a. Press the button on the battery pack
 - b. Make sure all the lights come on. They are very dim
- 2. Open the waterproof box
- 3. Plug the USB A right angle connector connected to the USB cable in the left most USB port
- 4. Place the battery pack in the box
 - a. Make sure the battery pack is flat on the bottom of the box
 - b. Make sure the cord slack is on top of the battery pack
- 5. Close and latch the box
 - a. Make sure the cord does not get caught in the edge of the box
- 6. Verify that all ziptie mounts are securely stuck down to the box.
 - a. If needed replace lose ones
- 7. Battery pack is ready for deployment

Setting up Gopro

note: directions are in the orientation of you holding the gopro looking at the main screen

- 1. Turn on the gopro by holding the button on the left side of the camera
 - a. The camera should beep and boot up
 - b. If it does not it means the internal battery is not charged
- 2. Wait for all the icons to show up on the screen
- 3. Verify that the internal battery is fully charged by checking the icon in the upper right
- 4. Swipe down from the top of the screen to unlock the screen
 - a. You will then need to touch the unlock screen icon
- 5. Swipe up from the bottom of the screen to get to the media
- 6. Hit the trash can icon in the bottom left to delete any clips on the camera
 - a. We want the memory card empty
- 7. Power down the camera.
- 8. The Gopro is ready for deployment

Deployment of Recorders

- 1. Take recorders in bags out to the field
- 2. Use zipties to attach recorders to poles

- a. Sometimes this will require the use of mutiple zipties to have enough length. If this is the case attach the zipties together first. Give them just a few clicks to attach them together
- 3. Slide the ziptie though both of the tabs attached to side of the bag
- 4. Secure the bag to the pole with the buckled side facing away from the pole
 - a. If the recorder was inserted correctly in the bag this will put the battery pack against the pole rather than the recorder
- 5. Tighten the zipties down and then clip off the excess to reduce tampering.

Deployment of Gopros

- 1. Take the Gopro and the battery box out into the field
- 2. Attach the gopro to the deployment location
 - a. Slide a ziptie through each hole in the gopro mount
 - i. Sometimes this will require the use of mutiple zipties to have enough length. If this is the case attach the zipties together first. Give them just a few clicks to attach them together
 - b. Place the camera in the location you want it
 - c. Hold the camera while you secure the zipties
- 3. Attach the battery box nearby the camera
 - a. Orient the battery box so that the cord is coming out the bottom
 - b. Slide a ziptie through the top loop that is part of the battery box
 - c. Slide a ziptie through the ziptie mounts on the back of the box
 - Sometimes this will require the use of mutiple zipties to have enough length. If this is the case attach the zipties together first. Give them just a few clicks to attach them together
 - d. Secure the box nearby the camera using the zipties
- 4. Connect the battery to the camera
 - a. Connect the USB C cable to the camera on the right side of the camera
- 5. Turn on the gopro by holding the button on the left side of the camera
 - a. The camera should beep and boot up
- 6. Wait for the icons to show up
- 7. Verify that the battery pack is providing power to the camera
 - a. The battery icon should show a lighting bolt symbol
 - i. If not then you will need to open the battery box and press the button and look for the LEDs on the battery pack to light
 - 1. This can be hard as the LEDs are so dim
- 8. Lock the battery box latch with the key
- 9. Do your best to verify that the camera is showing what you want on the display
- 10. Press the record button on top of the camera.
 - a. A red LED should start blinking on both the front and back of the camera
 - b. The clock should show in red at the top of the screen
- 11. Hold your phone in front of the camera showing https://www.time.gov/ zoomed in on the time.
 - a. You can use the front screen to make sure it is visible in the video

- b. Be careful of sun and glare
- c. Let the time roll over a round minute and then give it an extra 10 seconds or so

Finalizing Deployment

- 1. In order to sync devices blow a loud whistle and note the time based on https://www.time.gov/
 - a. Do this from a centralized location of the recorders
 - b. If it is a large deployment you may do this multiple times
 - i. Blow one more blast per subsequent whistle
 - c. If you have shown the camera a time stamp when you start it recording you do not need to hold a time up to it at the time of the whistle blast.
- 2. Note down the recorder and camera numbers and locations for the spreadsheet