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1. Res #	Seq. #	Clause number	your voter's id code	Cmnt type E, e, T, t	Part of NO vote	Comment/Rationale	Recommended change	Disposition/Rebuttal
2.	1.	1.0 General	BO	E		If you are going to abbreviate things, don't mix abbreviations and complete words in the same "word", i.e. kilogram and kg are acceptable, kgram and kilog are not acceptable.	Replace all "Mbit/s" with Mb/s".	REJECTED, this abbreviation is consistent with the current standard (802.11 Std. -1997) and changing it here would create confusion.
3.	2.	1.0 General	BO	T	Y	The PHY has no concept of a "frame". Yet this word is used throughout the clause. The PHY only knows PSDU, PPDU, baud, symbol, bit, and octet.	Eliminate the word "frame" and replace it with "PSDU" or "PPDU", as appropriate.	ACCEPTED, editor to change most references to "frame" to "PPDU"
4.	1	1.0 Title	Vh	E		The title should read: "Draft Supplement to Standard ......". I noted that this needs to be updated in the PAR.	Change the title and make the font size consistent over the whole of the title.	ACCEPTED to make changes to this document. Changes in the PAR may not be needed since

						To better describe the document, it would be better to change the title now and start a PAR revision in March.	Start the PAR revision process and at the same time request a change from "higher speed" to "higher rate"	EXCOM is liberal in its interpretation of the PAR.
5.	2	1.0	Vh	E		The scope given here is the scope of the PHY. However, it spells "describes", where "specifies" may be better. It may be better to make an additional scope for the document first, which may have to be equal to the scope specified in the PAR. The Chair of 802.11 needs to verify the need.	Propose to make a new scope belonging to the supplement book that could look like the following: This supplement specifies the Physical Layer Entity for the Higher Rate Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) extension and the changes that have to be made to the base standard to accommodate the PHY.	ACCEPTED change text of scope to: "This supplement specifies the Physical Layer Entity for the Higher Rate Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) extension and the changes that have to be made to the base standard to accommodate the High Rate PHY…."
6.	1	1.1	ap	E		Spelling error "Sporead	change to Spread	ACCEPTED, Fix spelling
7.	1.	1.1	BO	T	Y	The overview is not the place to describe required features of the standard.	Remove all usage of the word "shall".	ACCEPTED: Instructions to the editor provided in 99/31
8.	2.	1.1 and multiple comment resolutions dealing with FH compatibility and Page 511 lines 5-7	BO	T	Y	The comment resolutions that state "a consensus can not be reached…" are not a proper technical response to the well thought out comments on the draft standard. Throwing everything into a standard because a consensus can not be reached is not the path to a successful standard. In Table 2, it is obvious that the HR/DSSS/FH PHY is the death of wireless LANs in the 2.4 GHz band. This PHY is inimical to HR LAN life in the band as it does not cooperate with anything other than itself and legacy FH PHYs. Because this PHY is required to hop among all HR/DSSS channels to maintain compatibility with legacy FH PHYs, it is an active interferer with all other PHYs, making coordination with HR LANs and legacy DSSS LANs impossible. This PHY is a cancer that will require all 802.11 HR LANs it contacts to adopt the HR/DSSS/FH PHY in order	Eliminate the HR/DSSS/FH PHY.	PARTIALLY REJECTED by vote of full TGb group FH interoperability header removed, but FH interoperability mode retained via insuring that there is channel agility in the High Rate PHY.

						to operate. It will kill any legacy DSSS LANs it contacts. This PHY does not provide a "migration path", as has been claimed. In any legacy installation where the addition of HR PHY is desirable, new access points will need to be installed with the HR PHY capability. "Interoperability" between the legacy FH and new HR WLANs can be handled through the access points. There is no need for direct communication between stations with legacy FH PHYs and the new HR PHY. Should a manufacturer desire to collapse the two access points into one, a dual mode PHY can be built for this purpose. Similarly, a dual mode PHY can be built to accomplish the "downshifting" described on page 511 without the need to create an option in this HR PHY.		
9.	3.	1.1 and multiple comment resolutions dealing with PBCC	BO	T	Y	PBCC has been shown to provide only a modest benefit, compared to CCK, in simulations on a stationary channel. There is no data to indicate that this result will obtain in the real world. Because of the additional complexity involved in the implementation and specification of this mode, as well as, the lack of any specification as to how and when this mode should be used instead of CCK, interoperability problems are guaranteed. Hiding behind the shield of "It's only an option and doesn't have to be implemented" is not acceptable.	Eliminate PBCC.	REJECTED: Due to market considerations CCK has been adopted as a mandatory modulation. PBCC has been added as an option to allow a potentially higher performance upgrade. Use of the CCK or PBCC modulation allows complete interoperability through the use of the same PLCP header.
10.	4.	1.1 and Multiple comment resolutions dealing	BO	T	Y	The current state of description of the short preamble option describes no mechanism to determine whether selecting this option is useful at any given point in time. The current mode of use for this option requires that significant external intelligence be used to control this option, up to and including human intervention to control the admission of particular 802.11	Either: a) Make short preamble mandatory and describe completely when it is to be used and when it is not to be used; or b) Eliminate one of the preamble modes.	REJECTED: Due to market considerations long preamble has been adopted as the mandatory preamble. Short preamble has been added as an option to allow a higher performance upgrade. Use of the

		with short preamble				compliant equipment to particular networks. This is not acceptable for a standard that purports to describe an interoperable WLAN system. In addition, the fact that short preamble is optional is (along with the laundry list of other options in this "standard") a recipe for interoperability hell.		short preamble can be automated through the use of the capability information field.
11.	5.	1.1 and Multiple comment resolutions dealing with short preamble	BO	T	Y	The current state of description of the short preamble option describes no mechanism to determine whether selecting this option is useful at any given point in time. The current mode of use for this option requires that significant external intelligence be used to control this option, up to and including human intervention to control the admission of particular 802.11 compliant equipment to particular networks. This is not acceptable for a standard that purports to describe an interoperable WLAN system. In addition, the fact that short preamble is optional is (along with the laundry list of other options in this "standard") a recipe for interoperability hell.	Either: a) Make short preamble mandatory and describe completely when it is to be used and when it is not to be used; or b) Eliminate one of the preamble modes.	REJECTED: See #10
12.	1	1.1	BT	T	Y	The FH option is not (or partly) coexistent and not interoperable with the basic HR/DSSS specification. Using the option creates a separate standard. This is not acceptable	Add provisions to guarantee interoperability. If this is not possible the option should be removed	ACCEPTED. Much of the existing text, including the FH interoperability header, will be deleted, settling time, and changes to the MAC will be made that allow an implementation to use a frequency agile option to implement much the same capability. See #8 also.
13.	2	1.1	BT	T	Y	There is a coexistence problem between the short and long preamble, which can be solved. For the resolution I refer to the comments of Jan Boer		ACCEPTED: An improved CCA mechanism has been added. See resolution of comment #155.
14.	1	1.1	ch	e	YES	The sentence "Note that inclusion in this standard of both CCK and PBCC is not meant as an assurance that regulatory considerations can be met on either one in any given country" has nothing to do with setting the standard.	This sentence should be removed.	ACCEPTED sentence removed
15.	2	1.1	ch	e	YES	Table 2 is a Co-existence Matrix, thus the ability	Change all cells marked with	ACCEPTED, offending table

						to decode the PSDU/MPDU should have no bearing on this table. There should be no deference between OK and C in this co-existence table.	C to OK and remove the C category.	removed

16.	1	1.1	DB	T	yes	Reasons: The PHY specification contains options. 802.11 has voted that options shall be minimised and included only when absolutely necessary (see previous meeting minutes). The presence of following options mandate a No vote:
						      Short PLCP frame format
						      FH PLCP frame format
						      DSSS/PBCC Data Modulation and
						      Modulation rate
						
						Additionally, the 2.4 GHz high speed PHY effort was chartered with a specific purpose and <u>was restricted by 802.11 to the definition of a *SINGLE* 2.4Ghz higher speed</u> PHY.
						
						The inclusion of these options specifically violates the letter as well as the spirit of that charter and is in direct contradiction of the decision under which the group was chartered. Until the draft specifies a single 24GHz PHY the group has not met it's goal or charter. (Note: This is a serious issue that I feel strongly enough about to push all the way to exec com if necessary.)
						
						To resolve the issue I suggest that the group adopt the following w.r.t. to each option:
						Short PLCP frame format:
						      First choice = Remove the long PCLP
						      header and mandate use of only the
						      short header.
						            This would create a high-speed
						            PHY which would actually
						            provide some of the thruput
						            performance promised by the
						            increased bit rate.
						            This would also remove the
								PARTIALLY REJECTED,
								For the long/short part see #10 and 155
								For the FH part of the comment, see #12
								For the PBCC part, see #9

						antenna to antenna backward PHY compatibility that the current draft contains. I personally do not think that is important (from a business standpoint as the installed base of low speed DSSS units is negligible). However if the group still feels that this antenna to antenna compatibility is important, I could live with choice 2. Second choice = Make the support of the short header required. While this will result in a lower performance system that the first choice, it will help somewhat – <u>but only if all stations contain the short header support</u>. What is not acceptable is to leave the short header optional. The use of the short header as an option does not provide the backwards compatibility that is used to justify the long header, and it does not provide any increased performance due to the swamping impacts of the long header on thruput. FH PLCP frame format Make the option mandatory. If I am to believe the arguments that cry about interoperation with the installed FH base, then an option is inappropriate. Either the market requires the compatibility or it does not. In my view the potential negative impact on market perception from not being able to communicate (directly or indirectly) to high speed 2.4 units from installed FH units mandates that this feature be mandatory. The prospect of utilizing a		

						dual AP structure for indirect connectivity is economically unattractive and does not held the ad-hoc cases. DSSS/PBCC Data Modulation and Modulation rate Delete this option from the draft. The truth is that it was included as a political compromise to get votes for the current draft. While I understand the sequence of events that lead to the option, they are not sufficient to include an option that violates the single PHY charter requirement. In this case there is no backward compatibility argument as this modulation does not exist in prior versions of 802.11 PHYs. I also do not think that the option adds sufficient utility to justify its complexity and hence can not vote yes if this option were made mandatory.		
17.	1	1.1	Dk	E	N	Table 1 has some errors in the column labeled HR/DSSS/FH. When the HR/DSSS/FH transmits, the data portion which uses the HR/DSSS/short frame formatting will have the same effect as a HR/DSSS/short transmitter on a receiver configured for DSSS, HR/DSSS, HR/DSSS/short, or HR/DSSS/PBCC. For example, during the transmission of the data portion using the HR/DSSS/short format, a HR/DSSS receiver will be able to CCA the packet as long as the signal is at the same frequency. All of the other DSSS matrix entries assume the transmitter and receiver is at the same frequency also. Thus, in this table, all of the entries for the HR/DSSS/FH column should be marked either a (1) or (2) or (OK).	The column marked HR/DSSS/FH (TX) should contain the following entries: DSSS 2 FH 1 HR/DSSS 1 HR/DS/short OK HR/DS/FH OK HR/DS/PBCC OK Where 2 is CCA sensing during the secondary HR/DSSS/short preamble, not during the FH preamble, and none of the PPDU can be received.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed
18.	2	1.1	Dk	E	N	Table 2 has an error in the column labeled HR/DSSS/FH and the row marked HR/DSSS/short. A HR/DSSS/FH transmitter	The matrix item should be marked OK'.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed

						should cause CCA in a HR/DSSS/short receiver during the data portion which uses the HR/DSSS/short format. All of the other DSSS matrix entries assume the transmitter and receiver is at the same frequency also.		
19.	3	1.1	JBo	T	Y	The coexistence matrix should reflect changes after adoption of my comment 2: coexistence between short and long preamble. PBCC should in this matrix also be split into long and short preamble (same as CCK). The X in HR/DS/short at TX and DSSS at RX is very pessimistic. Coexistence is dependent on the CCA method used in DSSS. DSSS as part of the high rate system will coexist.	Change column HR/DS/short DSSS: OK'' FH: HR/DSSS: C Where: OK'' = Coexists with possible interference, depending on the CCA mode used. Split HR/S/PBCC in column for long and short (this should also be done in the interoperability matrix)	ACCEPTED, offending table removed
20.	1	1.1	JC	T	Y	The FH option contained in the draft violates the PAR restriction to a single PHY. Anyone can build a dual-mode transceiver if desired, but specifying how to do this violates our PAR. Separate from the fact that our PAR restricts the high-rate solution to a single PHY, it is important to realize that the FH PHY is limited by regulatory agencies (at least in the US) to low data rates, while DS signaling can effect much higher rates for reasonable E_B/N_0 values. It makes no sense to constrain any aspect of the future technology.	Remove FH material from HR DSSS PHY standard	PARTIALLY ACCEPTED, see #8
21.	1	1.1	lw	T	Y	There are too many modes of operation for the HR/DSS S PHY. This is confusing to the customer and not in the spirit of the PAR. We are to develop a single, high speed PHY and the HR/DSS with short preamble fits that description.	There should be a primary high speed, mandatory mode of operation for the HR/DSSS PHY. I recommend that the HR/DSSS with short preamble become mandatory. I also recommend that PBCC either replace CCK or we drop it out	REJECTED: See resolutions to comments 8, 9, and 10.

								of the standard completely. This is the only way to ensure 802.11 HR/DSSS interoperability.	
22.	2	1.1	lw	T	Y		Backward compatibility is not part of the PAR but a good idea. We have written the PHY spec as backward compatibility to DSS as being mandatory and forward compatibility to the true HR/DSSS with short preamble as not mandatory.	In conjunction with what I wrote in 1, I also suggest that the long preamble be optional the same as the optional FH compatibility mode.	REJECTED: See #10 If short preamble is implemented there is minimal overhead to support long preamble. However, the ability to receive short preamble has a significant overhead and has been left as an upgrade option.
23.	3	1.1	lw	t	n		Table 1.1 is so confusing that it shows the need to eliminate options.	Eliminate the options as suggested in 1.	REJECTED: See resolution to comments 8, 9, 10, and 11
24.		1.1	mt	T			It is my opinion that the DSSS-FH option of the 2.4GHz high speed option should be deleted. The use of this option will not offer a robust solution to any migration issues that a current user of 802.11 FH will encounter. This option was part of compromises resulting from attempts to pass the standard and is not a strong technical solution.	Delete all references to DSSS-FH option	PARTIALLY ACCEPTED, SEE #8
25.	1	1.1	mw	E			The acronym HR/DSSS is not unambiguously defined. Does it mean HR/DSSS long preamble at 5.5 and 11 Mbps, exclusive of short preamble? Does it mean HR/DSSS long or short at 5.5 and 11 Mbps? Is it inclusive of CCK but exclusive of PBCC? Is HR/DSSS a four rate system: 1, 2, 5.5 and 11 Mbps? Or, is HR/DSSS a two rate system: 5.5 and 11 Mbps? Is HR/DSSS/long inclusive of PBCC?	Consider unambiguously defining terms (HR/DSSS, HR/DSSS/long, etc.) and acronyms and use consistently throughout text. Make a definition table. My preference is to use HR/DSSS to denote an implementation containing 4-rates: 1, 2, 5.5 and 11 Mbps. Short or long preamble. BARKER, CCK or PBCC. FH option or not. This is the most inclusive definition.	ACCEPTED Make most references "High Rate PHY" and only refer to specific optional modes where necessary with uniform nomenclature.

							Submodes would be individually identified/defined. For example, HR/DSSS/PBCC would mean 5.5 or 11 Mbps PBCC, short or long preamble. HR/DSSS/PBCC/short would denote 5.5 or 11 Mbps with the short preamble. HR/DSSS/short would denote BARKER, CCK or PBCC at 2, 5.5 or 11 Mbps, all with short preamble.	
26.	2	1.1	mw	t		Some of the entries of Table 1 are debatable depending upon viewpoint. For example, CCA mode 2 (carrier sense) fails on CCK or PBCC. However, the virtual CCA mode succeeds on CCK or PBCC if the header is correctly received.	Consider making a itemized list of failure mechanisms. Make a itemized list of necessary success mechanisms. Denote type in entries. An improved CCA scheme would simplify Table 1.	PARTAILLY ACCEPTED, offending table removed An improved CCA mechanism has been added. See resolution of comment 155.
27.	3	1.1	mw	t		What is the intent of Table 1? Is it an attempt to inform system administrators what modes can be intermingled? OK and X are understandable. The 1's are a bit ambiguous. How does one interpret: an OK for an HR/DSSS/short system receiving HR/DSSS, but the reciprocal HR/DSSS system receiving HR/DSSS/short is only a 1?	Consider clearly stating the intent and interpretations. Maybe redefine Table 1 to mean the receiver can successfully receive the PPDU and ignore the interference issue. An improved CCA scheme would simplify Table 1.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed An improved CCA mechanism has been added. See resolution of comment 155.
28.	4	1.1	mw	t		Some of the entries of Table 2 are debatable depending upon viewpoint. For example, CCA mode 2 (carrier sense) fails on CCK or PBCC. However, the virtual CCA mode succeeds on CCK or PBCC if the header is correctly received. The typical reader may be confused. The standard is very confusing in its present form. The casual reader will probably develop the opinion that only a couple modes work together (i.e., the diagonal elements in the table).	Consider clarify intent and definitions. Quantify performance if possible. An improved CCA scheme may simplify Table 2.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed An improved CCA mechanism has been added. See resolution of comment 155.
29.	5	1.1	mw	t		Table 1 and Table 2 may create a lot of	If an improved CCA scheme is	ACCEPTED, offending table

						confusion. They tend to make the standard appear user unfriendly.	adopted, the rules may become simple (if FH is ignored): RULE: (1) If legacy 1-and-2 Mbps only DSSS systems are included in a cell along with the new high-rate stations, always use long preambles. 1, 2, 5.5 and 11 Mbps is supported. The virtual CCA provides clean functioning. (2) If only new high-rate-extension compliant stations are used in a cell, long or short preambles can be used but short can only be received by another station supporting short. 1, 2, 5.5 and 11 Mbps is supported. The new CCA provides clean functioning. Mobility is support only with long preambles. (3) If only new high-rate-extension compliant stations containing the short preamble option are used in a cell, long or short preambles can be used concurrently and successfully received by all. 1, 2, 5.5 and 11 Mbps is supported. The new CCA provides clean functioning. Mobility is support only with short or long preambles.	removed An improved CCA mechanism has been added. See resolution of comment 155. Rules not incorporated in draft.
30.	1	1.1	RvN	T	yes	The FH option is not interoperable nor coexistent with the basic CCK standard. This violates the intent of creating one basic high rate standard and it will create a lot of confusion in the market.	Change the FH option in order to guarantee interoperability with basic CCK, or delete the entire option.	ACCEPTED. SEE #12
31.	1	1.1	sb	E		In the third para it says 'The short preamble mode cannot co-exist with DSSS and HR/DSSS'.	Make the definition of will not co-exist clearer	ACCEPTED, offending table removed

						There are levels of co-existence, e.g. they may co-exit in the same band on different channels. Table 1 even suggests that an HR/DS/SHORT transmission will cause CCA at a DSSS receiver – this is also some level of coexistence.		An improved CCA mechanism has been added. See resolution of comment 155. The text in clause one will be fixed to indicate that they do partially coexist.
32.	4	1.1	sb	e		Reference is incorrect in 6th para	Should be 1.4.6.8 not 1.4.6.9	ACCEPTED, paragraph deleted
33.	6	1.1	sb	t	N	Use of the 4.0Mbps signal field value for HR/DSSS/FH probably means that this rate now needs to be revised to be reserved in the FH section of the standard. Should this be added as a modification to the existing standard?	Suggestion	ACCEPTED, FH interoperability preamble mode deleted
34.	10	1.1	sb	E		I think you can cut some of the detail about the FH interoperable mode from this. It is just cut and paste from elsewhere. Suggest an introduction here and definition in 1.2.3.15 …	Simplify text	ACCEPTED: Most of the FH mode text is deleted.
35.	1	1.1	TG	T	N	Table 1, Interoperability Matrix, and Table 2, Co-Existence Matrix are incomplete. According to the additions to Appendix A (A4.7), Short Preamble and PBCC are orthogonal, independent options. Thus all option combinations must be specified.	The tables should include four rows and columns for the four HR/DSSS options: Long CCK, Short CCK, Long PBCC, and Short PBCC. Alternatively, if the intention is that PBCC may only use Short Preamble, then the PICS supplement (A4.7) should be changed so that HRDS10 (PBCC) requires HRDS3 (Short Preamble). This would also require eliminating the PBCC option in the Long PLCP service field definitions in 1.2.3.4, and moving the existing diagram (table 3) with PBCC to 1.2.3.11. An edited table in Framemaker format is available from the commenter.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed

36.	2	1.1	TG	t	N	The legends of Table 1, Interoperability Matrix, and Table 2, Co-Existence Matrix do not completely specify the different levels of interoperability and co-existence. The option "1" (in table 1) and Option "C" (in table 2) need to be subdivided to indicate the difference between using only an energy-based CCA, and the limited virtual carrier sensing possible by being able to receive the PLCP header with its length field, even though the PSDU would not be received.	For the Interoperability Matrix, an additional mode should be added: "2 = There is sensing (CCA) that another BSS is functioning, and reception of the preamble, SFD, and PLCP header allow deferral for the duration of the Length field." For the Co-Existence Matrix, the "C" option should be split into "C1" and "C2". C1 = Co-exist by deferring on CCA without reception of PLCP header or PSDU. No virtual carrier sense. C2 = Co-exist by deferring on CCA and partial virtual carrier sense based on reception of the Length Field of the PLCP Header. Additional text for the "OK" option: OK = Co-exist w/o interference (defer with full physical and virtual carrier sense) An edited table in Framemaker format is available from the commenter.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed
37.	1	1.1	TT	t	N	Table 1 – Interoperability Matrix has a couple of errors in the following elements. Tx> HR/DSSS/short - Rx> DSSS - value = 1 Tx> HR/DSSS/short - Rx> HR/DSSS - value = 1 In these two cases a receiver that does not have the Short Preamble implemented cannot detect	Change these two table elements to X.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed

						the SFD and PLCP Header and therefore cannot defer to this frame.		
38.	2	1.1	TT	t	N	It is not clear from this table that the assumption being made is that the receiver with the PBCC option also has the Short preamble implemented. Since this combination is not mandatory, but an election on the part of the manufacturer, it should be stated here.	Add Sentence: Tables 1 and 2 assume that the receiver which has the PBCC option implemented has also implemented the Short Preamble option.	ACCEPTED, Removed tables and associated text. Text to insure that PBCC and PBCC/short are seperable is included.
39.	3	1.1	TT	e		Titles in Tx> headings of Table 1 are not correct.	Change: HR/DS/short to HR/DSSS/short HR/DS/PBCC to HR/DSSS/PBCC	ACCEPTED, offending table removed Text to insure that PBCC and PBCC/short are seperable is included.
40.	4	1.1	TT	t	N	The description in the legend for entries marked as 1 is not quite correct. "1 =There is sensing (CCA) that another BSS is functioning, but no detection of the PPDU." The term PPDU is not correct here.	Change PPDU to PSDU.	ACCEPTED, offending table removed
41.	3	1.1	WDI	T	Y	The Short preamble generates a coexistence problem. This problem should be resolved.	This problem can be resolved, by the proposal of Jan Boer. I refer to that solution.	ACCEPTED: See resolution of #155
42.	1	1.2.2 1.4.6.8 0/1/2	JBo	T	Y	The FH option is not (or partly) coexistent and not interoperable with the basic HR/DSSS specification. The option is in this sense a separate standard within the standard. It will be confusing for the market and is bad for the credibility and acceptance of the standard .	Add provisions to guarantee interoperability. If this is technically nor feasible the option should be removed	ACCEPTED, See #12. Resolved by change in FH mode
43.	4	1.5	AS	T	Y	Fix Basic rate set definition	Make changes as per clause 3.8 in paper 99/011	ACCEPTED: Editor to make changes as per clause 3.8 in paper 99/011.
44.	5	1.5	AS	E	N	Copy the whole subclauses and make the required changes instead of copying only the relevant portions. This will allow someone referencing the document to look in one place for the description		ACCEPTED: editor to make changes

						of a subclause instead of 2.		
45.	6	1.5	AS	E	N	Add Short preamble and PBCC subfields to figure 27		ACCEPTED: editor to make changes along with Channel Agility sub field
46.	7	1.5	AS	E	N	Fix description of Supported rates element with respect to the definition of the BSS basic rate set.	Make changes as per clause 7.3.2.2 in paper 99/xxx	ACCEPTED: editor to make changes as per clause 7.3.2.2 in paper 99/011
47.	8	1.5	AS	T	Y	Fix description of DCF in 9.2 with respect to the definition of the BSS basic rate set.	Make changes as per clause 9.2 in paper 99/xxx	ACCEPTED: Editor to make changes as per clause 9.2 in paper 99/011
48.	9	1.5	AS	T	Y	Remove reference to PHY mandatory rates in clause 9.6.	Make changes as per clause 9.6 in paper 99/xxx	ACCEPTED: Editor to make changes as per 99/011
49.	10	1.5	AS	E	N	Fix description of OperationalRateSet with respect to the definition of the BSS basic rate set.	Make changes as per clause 10.3.3.1.2 in paper 99/xxx	Make changes as per clause 10.3.3.1.2 in paper 99/xxx
50.	11	1.5	AS	E	N	Fix description of OperationalRateSet with respect to the definition of the BSS basic rate set.	Make changes as per clause 10.3.10.1.2 in paper 99/xxx	Make changes as per clause 10.3.3.1.2 in paper 99/011
51.	12	1.5	AS	E	N	There are no existing clauses 10.4.6 or 10.4.7. It would probably be better to format each of these clauses and subclauses as they appear in the current standard and make a comment to add these subclauses.		ACCEPTED: editor to make changes as per clause 10.4.6/7 in paper 99/011
52.	1.	1.2.3 and its sub-clauses	BO	T	Y	Where the definition of a PLCP field is the same as in clause 15 of IEEE 802.11-1997, the proper text is to reference that earlier definition.	Eliminate duplication of text in field descriptions that are already present in clause 15. Replace with a reference to the correct subclause in clause 15. Where additions are being made to values defined for a field, reference the earlier clause and add something like: "the following additional values are defined: …"	REJECTED: This is a different PHY than the DS PHY in clause 15, for clarity and ease of referencing the whole text is copied. The intention is that it be interoperable with the PHY described in clause 15.
53.	2.	1.3.2	BO	T	Y	The HR/DSSS MIB is NOT described in IEEE 802.11-1997 anywhere. A complete ASN.1 description of the MIB for HR/DSSS is required.	Provide a complete ASN.1 description for the HR/DSSS MIB.	ACCEPTED: Editor to copy the DS MIB and make modifications for HR/DSSS PHY.

54.	3.	1.5	BO	T	Y	Figure 27 does not show the new subfields.	Add the subfields in the correct locations.	ACCEPTED: Editor to fix figure. See resolution of comment #64
55.	4.	1.5	BO	T	Y	Because of comments made earlier which have lead to the elimination of PBCC and either the elimination of two different preamble modes or that short preamble was made mandatory, the extensions to the capability information element and status codes are no longer necessary.	Eliminate all text changing the capability information element and the status codes.	REJECTED: The other comments were not accepted.
56.	2	1.3.2	HMO	E	N	dot11RegDomainsSupported is not part of the dot11PhyOperationTable .	Define this as separate dot11RegDomainsSupportedTable.	ACCEPTED, changes made
57.	3	1.3.2	HMO	E	N	Reference to items dot11SupportedDataRatesTx and dot11SupportedDataRatesRx is incorrect.	Refer to dot11SupportedDataRatesTxTable and dot11SupportedDataRatesRxTable.	ACCEPTED, editor will fix
58.	1	1.5 for existing para. 9.6	MIF	T	no	The equation given for calculating the time required to transmit the frame is incorrect. The factor of 32768 in the divisor term causes a result that is far shorter than the actual frame transmission time. For example, if MPDU length is 32 octets and the data rate is 11Mbit/s, the time period added to the PreambleLength plus the PLCPHeaderLength is $(8 * 32 * 1) / (11 * 32768) = 256 / 360488 = 0.00071$, which is clearly the wrong value. It would appear that the 32768 is an attempt to compensate for an unspecified encoding of the MPDUDurationFactor, but this is (a) not specified, (b) inconsistent with the value given for the MPDUDurationFactor in clause 1.3.3, Table 7, and (c) inconsistent with the definition of MPDUDurationFactor in 802.11rev. Note that scaling the MPDUDurationFactor by 32768 is NOT sufficient for the general needs of the 802.11 MAC. This provides 15 bits of fractional precision, which is less than 4.5 significant (decimal) digits, which is barely sufficient for the existing FH PHY, but is	Correct this equation to yield the correct value and to be consistent with the encoding of aMPDUDurationFactor adopted for 802.11rev. This also requires a change in Table 7 in Clause 1.3.3 to aMPUDDurationFactor value =0. To be consistent with the encoding of aMPDUDurationFactor from 802.11rev, (which is the one already present in Annex C of 802.11-1997), the proper equation is: "aPreambleLength + aPLCPHeaderLength + (((aMPDUDurationFactor x 8 x PSDUoctets) / 10^9) + (8 x PSDUoctets)) / data rate where data rate is in Mbit/s"	ACCEPTED: Editor to make changes as per 99/011. The frame duration is now calculated using the service primitive specified in 99/029.

						insufficient to provide microsecond resolution across the range of allowable frame lengths and the allowable range of data rates. Just changing the FH PHY's 33/32 expansion to 65/64 would require 6 significant digits of fractional precision, and the range of sensible values could need at least 8 digits. The coding of aMPDUDurationFactor used in Annex C of 802.11-1997 provides 9 significant digits.		
59.	4	1.5	MIF	T	no	The modifications to existing paragraphs in the standard is supposed to include a new "Supported Options" element with two fields, a byte for supported codes and a byte for supported PLCP headers. This was accepted in the Letter Ballot resolutions of comment sequence #276, but does not appear in the D2.0 draft.	Include the Supported Options element, as stated in the acceptance text of the disposition column for comment sequence #276 of 98/405.	WITHDRAWN:
60.	6	1.2.2.1	mw	e		Should the payload portion of the packet be identified as MPDU or PSDU? IEEE802.11-1997 shows MPDU.	Consider choosing MPDU or PSDU. Explain in text why different from IEEE802.11-1997, so the reader does not become confused.	ACCEPTED, change MPDU to PSDU as done elsewhere.
61.	3	1.2.2.1	sb	E		Figure 3 is duplicate and does not match text	Delete figure 3	ACCEPTED, duplicate figures are an artifact of Framemaker and the real Figure 3 will be deleted anyway
62.	8	1.2.3	sb	e		All transmitted bits except in the case of FH … tighten English … e.g. does this mean just the PLCP FH fields, or the short PLCP/MPDU too …	Be precise about the fields referred to	ACCEPTED: removal of FH interoperability header eliminates this concern. See #8
63.	17	1.5	sb	T	N	It is not clear to me in this standard if Short Preamble mode and PBCC mode are operational modes for a BSS (what I expected given the introductory text about co-existence and interoperability), or per-PPDU attributes (what I suspect has been envisaged given the changes here). If they are operational modes for a BSS – and that seems the more sensible option, then the additions to capability information are probably not the most elegant way of proceeding. The capabilities information was designed to signal MAC capabilities, not PHY. I would suggest defining a new PHY parameter set for the HR	Clarify whether PBCC, FH, SHORT are operational modes in a BSS (preferred given the co-existence/interoperability), or per-PPDU. If per-BSS consider changes suggested. Make PHY primitive parameters consistent with given approach – if a mode then use PLME, if per-PDU	ACCEPTED: The use of the PBCC and short preamble options are on a per MPDU basis and the use of each of the options is specified in the TXVECTOR. Clause 1.2.2.3 specifies that the FH parameter set element shall be sent in Probe Response and Beacon frames. The BSS is essentially an FH BSS.

						PHY (consistent) this would then go in beacons and probe responses and indicate the operating mode in that BSS (e.g. PBCC or short preamble). If per-MPDU changes are envisaged then the other stations in the BSS need to be absolutely capable of sensing the optional exchange accurately … as with multi-rate. This seems not to be the case. I also note that while the multi-rate text has been extended (again assuming a per-PPDU selection of mode). The rules concerning management frames like beacons have not. This would be clear if the options were modes per BSS. I note FH mode is not signaled here or elsewhere – though that could be inferred from the combination of DS and FH parameter sets both being present in beacons. If so make clear.	append to PHY-TXSTART.	Modification has been made to clarify 1.2.2.3.
64.	3	1.5	TG	E	N	In Table 27, the Short Preamble and the PBCC subfields are not shown in the drawing.	Add the new subfields to the drawing: B5 = Short Preamble B6 = PBCC Modulation	ACCEPTED: Editor to make modification to Figure 27.
65.	2	1.3.3	AS	E	N	The description of aPreambleLength should only contain cases for the modal options.	Remove "or 72 us" and "short," from the Value field for aPreableLength.	
66.	1.	1.2.2.2	BO	T	Y	Both Figures 2 and 3 seem to depict PLCP frame formats. Yet neither is referenced nor described in the text.	Either delete these figures or describe their meaning and use in the text.	ACCEPTED: The figures are referenced in 2.0
67.	2.	1.4.2	BO	T	Y	Functional requirements don't belong in the overview.	Eliminate "shall" statements.	ACCEPTED:
68.	1	1.2.4	ko	T		In order to realize accurate and quick initial acquisition, it is important to use phase information of preamble sequences by defining initial state of a scrambler also for a long preamble.	Define initial state of scrambler for long preamble	ACCEPTED: Added requirement to use the same initial state for long and short.
69.	7	1.2.2.2	mw	e		Figure 2 for the short preamble shows only 5.5 and 11 Mbps for the PSDU. 2 Mbps should be included also.	Add 2 Mbps to the PSDU in Figure 2.	ACCEPTED added 2 Mbit/s rate

70.	11	1.2.4	sb	t	N	It says that the polynomial … shall be used to scramble *all* bits transmitted by the HR/DSSS PHY. Elsewhere the FH interoperable preamble/header are excluded. So there is a conflict here.	Remove conflict.	ACCEPTED, FH/DSSS header is gone
71.	5	1.2.2.2	TT	E		In figure 2, heading for PLCP header is incorrect.	PLCP HEADER 48 BITS @ 2 Mbit/s should be short PLCP HEADER 48 BITS @ 2 Mbit/s	ACCEPTED, added "short" to the label
72.	6	1.2.2.2	TT	E		Need to add the word PLCP to be unambiguous about which preamble and header we are talking about.	The short <u>PLCP</u> preamble uses the 1 Mbit/s Barker code spreading with DBPSK modulation. The short <u>PLCP</u> header uses the 2 Mbit/s Barker code spreading with DQPSK modulation.	ACCEPTED, added "PLCP" to indicate what header is being referred to.
73.	1.	1.2.3.15	BO	T	Y	Table 8 does not describe all of the possible bit combinations. Neither is the table referenced in the text.	Complete the table with the missing bit combinations.	ACCEPTED: Table has been removed in 2.0 along with the rest of this section on FH.
74.	3	1.3.4	AS	T	Y	No description of the extended characteristics has been provided.	Make changes as per clause 1.3.4 in paper 99/xxx	ACCEPTED: Extended Characteristic has been replaced with a TXTIME primitive described in 99/029. Editor to make changes as per 99/029
75.	1.	1.2.2.3	BO	E		This clause references figure 7 incorrectly.		ACCEPTED, entire paragraph will be deleted
76.	2.	1.2.2.3	BO	T	Y	This clause incorrectly places requirements on the MAC. The content of the PSDU is unknown to the PHY and can not be described here.	Remove all references to contents of PSDUs.	ACCEPTED, entire paragraph will be deleted
77.	3.	1.2.2.3	BO	T	Y	This clause incorrectly places requirements on MAC management. The PHY is solely a	Remove all references to MAC management functionality.	ACCEPTED, entire paragraph will be deleted

						mechanism to carry bits from one place to another. The PHY is incapable of knowing and interpreting the meaning of those bits.		
78.	4.	1.4.3	BO	T	Y	Figure 19 incorrectly show MAC Management above the convergence layer. This is incorrect.	Extend the MAC block to the right, pushing the MAC Management block further to the right until it is no longer above the convergence layer.	ACCEPTED: Editor has made changes as specified to Figure 11
79.	1	1.2.5	ca	E	N	The figure 8 needs to be modified for the LONG/SHORT PREAMBLE		ACCEPTED: editor to make these changes
80.	3	1.2.2.3	Dk	E	N	Figure 3 is missing.	Add figure 3 back in.	ACCEPTED, Figure 3 now deleted along with rest of section. See #8
81.	4	1.2.5	Dk	T	N	The HR/DSSS/FH mode should include some form of cross CCA such that a compliant unit will defer to a HR/DSSS signal that is already on transmitting on the air. There is no such requirement currently in the draft, partly because it was assumed that the unit would be searching for the FH preamble in the 1 MHz bandwidth. This is not necessarily true – it is possible to provide single RF string with dual digital processing. Use of RSSI at 10 – 20 dB above sensitivity is also possible. Since the HR/DSSS/FH option mixes the FH and DS	Add the requirement to perform CCA with one of the two following methods: Energy detect >-70 dBm in the 1 MHz it is tuned to. A timeout feature is allowed to protect against CW interference. Or	Partially ACCEPTED: Alternate CCA text adopted. See resolution of comment #155. FH mode is fundamentally changed, so that FH stations and DS stations in the same virtual dual net do not step on one another.

						format, some degree of cross CCA should be included in the requirements.	Be capable of detecting HR/DSSS or DSSS signals and setting CCA to busy for the extent of the frame.	
82.	1	1.2.5 1.2.6	HMO	T	Y	The impact of PBCC is not defined in the transmit and receive procedures.	Define the impact of PBCC on the transmit and receive procedures.	ACCEPTED: 1.2.5 Modified text to include modulation option description. Transmit state machine has been modified by comment 79. 1.2.6 Modified text to include modulation change. Receive station machine provided in comment 95 has to be fixed to include set modulation. See resolution of comments 79 and 95 for changes to state machines.
83.	6	1.2.2.3	HMO	E	Y	Incorrect reference to Figure 3.	Include new Figure 3 (and renumber following figures)	ACCEPTED, fig 3 has been removed as this mode is no longer proposed
84.	7	1.2.2.3	HMO	T	Y	The optional FH PLCP frame format causes a station that uses it to be not interoperable with stations that do not support this option. It does not even properly share the medium.	Change this option to make it interoperable.	ACCEPTED, See #12.See #81
85.	1	1.2.2.3	nc	E	N	The figure describing FH preamble is missing. It appears in file p80211b-draft1.last.pdf as figure 5 on page 8.	Insert the figure	ACCEPTED by virtue of removing this mode
86.	2	1.2.2.3	nc	T	Y	The format of the preamble, as shown in figure 5 of file p80211b-draft1.last.pdf shows that the duration of the high-rate short preamble is 81 microseconds, while in the figure describing the short preamble it id 96 microseconds. Apparently, the preamble is using 5.5 Mbit/s, as opposed to 2 Mbit/s in regular short preamble mode.	See next comment	ACCEPTED, figure will not be used

						This deserves to be mentioned in the text.		
87.	3	1.2.2.3, 1.2.3.15	nc	T	Y	The text is not aligned with the change made to 1.2.3.15 according to the resolution of comment 160 in 84057b: Comment accepted. The FH PLCP modification in 18.2.3.15 will be changed to use the existing FH PLCP PSF field using an indication of a 4 Mbps data rate (0110) which is currently unused and a length indication sufficient to cover greater than or equal to the duration of the full HR/DSSS packet. For example, if a FH/HR station takes the duration of the full HR/DSSS packet including guard time in microsec and divide by 2 and rounds up to calculate the length to insert in the FH PLCP header, a legacy FH station will defer for a period greater than or equal to the length of the packet whether it calculates the equivalent length with or without the 33/32 stuff expansion factor used in the 1 and 2 Mbps FH mode. This was approved at the plenary.	Change at page 13, line 34, from: The FH interoperability mode uses the FH preamble and header to establish the channel the signal will be radiated on and the rate it will use. The length contained in the FH PLCP header shall indicate the length in octets of the MPDU contained in the following HR/DSSS frame. To: The FH interoperability mode uses the FH preamble and header to establish the channel the signal will be radiated on. When transmitting an FH/HR PPDU, the rate in the FH PSF shall indicate a 4 Mbps data rate and the length shall indicate a number of octets, which, when sent at 4 Mbps, would be sufficient to cover greater than or equal to the duration of the full HR/DSSS PPDU. The data rate of the HR/DSSS PPDU may be either 5.5 or 11 Mbit/s, and it is signaled in the PLCP HEADER part of it. The PLCP HEADER part of HR/DSSS PPDU in the FH/HR mode shall be transmitted at 5.5 Mbit/s CCK modulation.	ACCEPTED by virtue of removing this mode, see #8
88.	5	1.2.2.3	sb	t	N	The need to have both DS and FH parameter sets	Revise definitions in existing	ACCEPTED, add to BEACON

						in beacon/probe response frames for HR/DSSS/FH will need modification of Tables 5 and 12 in clause 7 of the current standard. Text in these tables defines when these information elements should be used.	tables and add to MAC modification section.	FRAME BODY, and THE OTHER TABLE Channel # is needed for the DS
89.	7	1.2.2.3	sb	e		In figure 5 the duration values are wrong for re-defined short header rate	correct duration values	ACCEPTED, see 86
90.	1	1.2.5	Sr	T	No	In the long term, interoperability of the HR/DSSS PHY with low-rate FH modes is not going to accelerate acceptance of the 802.11b standard nor help expand the market for wireless LAN products nor have an overall positive influence on the acceptance of wireless LAN technology or products.	Eliminate the option for low-rate FH interoperability.	REJECTED, see #8
91.	1	1.2.5 1.2.6	WDI	T	Y	The impact of PBCC is not defined in the transmit and receive procedures.	Define the impact of PBCC on the transmit and receive procedures.	ACCEPTED: See resolution of comment #82
92.	2	1.2.2.3	WDI	T	Y	The FH PLCP option is not interoperable with stations that do not support this option. In fact it does not even coexist. This means that the standard is seriously broken. An option in the standard is only acceptable when it is at least interoperable with the basic standard. Interoperability should mean interoperability at the high rates.	This option is only acceptable when interoperability can be achieved at the higher rates.	ACCEPTED, See #12.
93.	2	1.4.4	ap	E		Figure 11	Fix drawing lines	ACCEPTED see#78
94.	1	1.2.6	AS	E	N	Replace figure 10 with the correct version of figure 94 from Tgrev.		ACCEPTED, editor will find appropriate figure and fix figure

95.	2	1.2.6	ca	E	N	The Receive state machine needs to have the set RATE mechanism modified	—PLCP receive state machine	ACCEPTED, editor to fix see #94
96.	3	1.2.6	MIF	T	no	The 6th paragraph of 1.2.6 states that the "receive parameters" (presumably the RXVECTOR) includes several items, but not the PLCP format detected on the incoming frame. It is of critical importance that the MAC be informed of which PLCP format was used so that the same format can be specified for the response frame (if a response is needed). NOTE: The lack of this exact mechanism was part of this voters "NO" vote on Letter Ballot 15, and would have been the basis of a NO vote on this ballot except that Document 98-405 (Letter Ballot 15 comment resolutions) states that comments sequence #187 and #276 are accepted, so I assume that the PLCPFormat parameter is already a part of 802.11B RXVECTOR, and its omission from the D2.0 draft is an oversight.	Add (in an appropriate clause) a full description of the PHY-RXSTART.indicate(RXVECTOR) primitive, comparable to the descriptions thereof in the other PHY definitions. Include therein a PLCPFormat parameter that can take values "LongPLCP," "ShortPLCP," or "FHPLCP."	ACCEPTED: See 104 Editor to make changes as per document 99/xxx.
97.	10	1.2.6	mw	e		The statement "A receiver conformant to this high rate extension shall be capable of receiving 5.5 and 11 Mbps in addition to 1 and 2 Mbps" states that this is a four-rate standard. One cannot build an odd mix of rates: 5.5 and 11 Mbps only, etc.	Just a point of clarification. Duplicate this comment on first page of extension.	ACCEPTED, editor will add
98.	11	1.2.6	mw	t		Since this a four-rate standard it seems possible to autodetect the short preamble when in the long preamble mode.	Consider changing the wording to state that all implementations which are	ACCEPTED: Changes made to 1.2.6 and

								short-preamble-receive-option capable, must auto-detect short-preambles when configured in the long-preamble mode.	1.4.8.4. This also resolve JBo comment on CCA modes.
99.	14	1.2.6	sb	T	N		In figure 12 the PMD primitives are illustrated as being at the PLCP-MAC service interface. These are PMD primitives so that cannot be so. Maybe the information for rate and antenna select is in the PHY_TX_START since it is synchronized to a PSDU transmit. Indeed that is what the first paragraph following figure 12 suggests … but 1.4.4.3 point to PMD primitives which are between PMD and PLCP not PHY primitives. Maybe modulation and header are PLME primitives since these are operating modes.	Sort out the logical layering and primitives.	ACCEPTED, new figures supplied by Anil and incorporated
100.	7	1.2.6	TT	e			Wrong word used. When using Long PLCP will have both a long Preamble and a long Header.	The receiver configured to receive a short PLCP shall also be capable of receiving a PPDU with a long PLCP preamble ~~or~~ and header.	ACCEPTED, editor will fix
101.	1.	1.2.3.4	BO	E			The SERVICE field is no longer reserved. There are functional bits described here.	Eliminate references to the field being reserved.	ACCEPTED, see #33
102.	2.	1.2.7	BO	T	Y		Conformance specifications are not proper in this clause. They belong in the PICS.	Remove reference to conformance.	ACCEPTED, "conformant" was changed to "that supports".
103.	3.	1.4.5 and its subclauses	BO	E			Having the parameters for the primitives in a table that is well separated from the description of the primitives, themselves, is very annoying and makes this section difficult to comprehend and retain.	Describe the parameters used by each primitive in the description of the primitive.	ACCEPTED, editor will work with Bob O'Hara to fix
104.	5	1.4.5	ca	T	N		detailed service specifications need an entry for PREAMBLE	PMD_PREAMBLE.request Function This primitive, which is generated by the PHY PLCP sublayer, selects the preamble mode that shall be used by the HR/DSSS PHY for transmission.	ACCEPTED: Editor to make suggested changes. Editor to also add a PMD_PREAMBLE.indication primitive for use on receive. Editor to add primitive to Tables 9 and 10.

								Semantics of the service primitive	
								The primitive shall provide the following parameters:	
								PMD_PREAMBLE.request(PREAMBLE)	
								PREAMBLE selects which of the HR/DSSS PHY preamble types shall be used for PLCP transmission. Subclause 18.2.2 provides further information on the HR/DSSS PHY preamble modes. The PREAMBLE parameter takes on the value of zero(0) for long preamble or one(1) for short preamble	
								When generated	
								This primitive shall be generated by the PLCP sublayer to change or set the current HR/DSSS PHY preamble mode used for the PLCP portion of a PPDU.	
								Effect of receipt	
								The receipt of PMD_PREAMBLE selects the preamble mode that shall be used for all subsequent PSDU transmissions. This mode shall be used for transmission only. The HR/DSSS PHY shall still be capable of receiving all the	

							required HR/DSSS PHY preambles. This primitive, which is generated by the PMD entity, sets the state of the PHY for modulation of the appropriate mode.
							
							PMD_PREAMBLE.indicate
							
							Function
							
							This primitive, which is generated by the PMD sublayer, indicates which preamble mode was used to receive the PLCP portion of the PPDU.
							
							Semantics of the service primitive
							
							The primitive shall provide the following parameters:
							
							    PMD_PREAMBLE.indicate(
							      PREAMBLE)
							
							In receive mode, the PREAMBLE parameter informs the PLCP layer which of the HR/DSSS PHY PREAMBLES was used to send the PLCP portion of the PPDU.
							
							When generated
							
							This primitive shall be generated by the PMD sublayer when the PLCP Preamble has	

							been properly detected. Effect of receipt This parameter shall be provided to the PLCP layer for information only.	
105.	8	1.2.3.4	mw	e			(page 513, line 31) 18.2.3.3 should be 18.2.3.5.	Consider making paragraph number change.	ACCEPTED, fix references
106.	4	1.2.7	nc	T	N		On line 52 there appears: … with short PLCP frame format as specified in clause 1.2.2. However, there is a difference in that the PLCP header is transmitted at 5.5 Mbit/s, not at 2 Mbit/s. This needs to be addressed.	Text depends on corrections to 1.2.2.3 and 1.2.3.15	ACCEPTED, FH interoperable mode was deleted. See #86 and #87.
107.	9	1.2.3.4	sb	E			The SERVICE field is *not* reserved for further use except for two bits. The field is used for a purpose … but only two bits are used all others are reserved for future use. Also IEEE802.11 device compliance is *not* signified by the unused bits being zero … if only this were so life would be easy! These bits re reserved and shall be set to zero on transmission is I think what you mean!	Re-write paragraph in standard-ese … sorry!	ACCEPTED, see #33
108.	1.	1.2.8	BO	T	Y		This clause does not adequately describe the operation of the PLCP for the FH compatibility operation. There is insufficient information to build compliant implementations. In particular, the timing, order and content of the PHY SAP primitives are not described.	Eliminate FH compatibility.	Partially ACCEPTED, FH mode changed
109.	3	1.4.4.2	ca	T	N		Table 9 needs an entry for PMD_Preamble.req to select the long or short preamble	Add to table	ACCEPTED: See resolution of comment 104
110.	4	App.C	HMO	E	Y		State Machines need to be updated.	Provide revision of Annex C.	open
111.	5	App.D	HMO	E	N		The new MIB attributes need definition of a new	Define a new group (e.g.	open

						group, and appropriate identification number. Also compliance statements have not been specified yet.	dot11PhyHRDSSSTable) as dot11phy 11, that includes a new structure (e.g. dot11PhyHRDSSSEntry) that contains the new attributes as items 1 and 2. This new group also has to be included in the compliance statements.	
112.	3	Append ix	Vh	T	Y	Before A.4.7 the PICS should specify what the extension is in the context of the whole standard. Is it an option that can be selected by itself, is it required to have the DSSS PHY operational?	Add the A4.3 part from the base standard and show what is to be added.	ACCEPTED: Editor to add an item CF6 for the HR/DSSS PHY. Editor also to re-label clause A4.7 to A4.8 as A4.7 already exists in the current standard.
113.	8	1.4.5.17	TT	T	N	This clause is a sort of a duplicate of one in clause 12. It was copied from the DS clause 15 which was also wrong to have included it. The PHY-CCA.indicate primitive is one between the MAC and the PLCP, not between the PLCP and PMD, therefore has no business being described in this section. I think this is was missed when an attempt was made to clean up this section.	Delete clause 1.4.5.17.	ACCEPTED, editor to delete clause 1.4.5.17
114.	4	1.4.4.3	ca	T	N	Table 10 needs an entry for PREAMBLE	Add to table	ACCEPTED: See resolution of comment 114.
115.	6	1.1, Table 1	Vh	T	Y	The cell in column FH, row HR/DSSS/FH erroneously specifies that the extension can receive an FH frame.	Remove OK, fill in X. Or may be a qualified 1. The qualification being that in the edges of the HR, there is no sensing.	ACCEPTED: Removed tables
116.	7	1.1, Table 1	Vh	T	Y	The cells with an OK for the DSSS column or not correct except for the first row.	Replace the other Oks by a 1.	ACCEPTED: Removed tables
117.	16	1.4.5.3	sb	T	N	There is no information in the 'when generated' which suggests when this primitive is actually	Suggest this information is added. It is usual … see	ACCEPTED: added: It is usual

						generated (initialization I suspect).	PMD_TXSTART request for instance.	to issue the PMD_MODULATION.request primitive prior to issuing the PMD_TXSTART command.
118.	12	1.4.5.13.2	mw	E		What does PN code correlation quality mean for CCK and PBCC? Does this mean only on the waveform portions where BARKER codes exist? Must implementers devise a creative technique for qualifying non-coherently CCK and PBCC?	Consider clarifying. My preference is to state that this means BARKER code detection. Not CCK or PBCC.	ACCEPTED, editor to clarify
119.	13	1.4.5.14.2	mw	t		Are 3 thresholds required. One for each: BARKER, CCK and PBCC?	Consider clarifying.	ACCEPTED: The thresholds are left up to the implementer. Separate thresholds are not required, but they are allowed. See editorial changes to section 1.4.5.12.2 and 1.4.5.13.2. Editor to make changes specified in 99/031
120.	9	1.2.3.8	mw	t		I like the idea of using a fixed scrambler seed, since the receiver can now detect the preamble without full scrambler synching. The short preamble scrambler seed specification may be too ambiguous. For example, what is the LSB and orientation of X'6C' in the scrambler? Also, does the specified seed create a bit pattern that looks like SFD near the true SFD? If so, this can cause a problem with false SFD detection.	List the scramble output for the first few bits to avoid implementation confusion. Maybe list all 56 bits of the short sync. Make sure a scrambler seed is chosen which does not create a near-facsimile of SFD near the true SFD at the BARKER level.	ACCEPTED: See resolution of Comment #68.
121.	13	1.4.4.5	sb	e		Tables 14/15 and 16/17 are duplicate with 14 and 16 being modified but incorrect.	Editorial fix	ACCEPTED, duplicates were an artifact
122.	3	1.4.6.4	ch	e	YES	The description of CCK is confusing. The CCK block takes bits and input and outputs QPSK phases. The description currently changes the bits to phases and then operates on the phases to determine the QPSK outputs. It would be more clear it the bits were operated on, and then there were a mapping from the encoded bits to phases.	Change the CCK encoder description so that it consists of a mathematical model that encodes the input bits and then maps the bits onto QPSK chips.	REJECTED, modulation is angle modulation and describing it in terms of angles makes more sense.
123.	14	1.4.6.4	mw	e		(page 540, line 54) The word *terms* should	Consider changing.	ACCEPTED, Change "terms" to

						probably be *time*.		"time"
124.	5	1.4.6.5	nc	e	N	Last line on page, change "in terms" to "in time".		ACCEPTED, Change "terms" to "time"
125.	2	1.4.8.3	Sr	T	No	Comment resolution effort adequately defined adjacent channel rejection as per my comments in response to Letter Ballot 15.	No need for further changes.	ACCEPTED: Clarify with SR. It is not understood if there is an Issue No change needed
126.	1	1.4.6.6	mbs	t	YES	Figure 13 should not include the scrambler.	Remove the scrambler from Figure 13.	ACCEPTED: Delete scrambler from figure, because this figure is to describe the convolutional code only. The scrambler is defined elsewhere.
127.	2	1.4.6.6	mbs	t	YES	The input and output of Figure 13 are not labeled.	Label the input x. Label the outputs y_0 and y_1, respectively, from top to bottom.	ACCEPTED: Editor to make changes suggested by commentor.
128.	3	1.4.6.6	mbs	t	YES	In Figure 14, the order of the bits from Figure 13 is not shown.	Label the pairs in Figure 15 $(y_1\ y_0)$	ACCEPTED: Editor to make changes suggested by commentor.
129.	4	1.4.6.6	mbs	t	YES	The phase change from the last chip of the PLCP hear to the first chip of the PBCC codeword must be specified.	Add the following paragraph: The phase of the first complex chip of the MPDU shall be defined with respect to the phase of the last chip of the PCLP header, i.e. the last chip of the CRC check. The bits $(y_1\ y_0) = (0,0)$ shall indicate the same phase as the last chip of the CRC check. The other three combinations of $(y_1\ y_0)$ shall be defined with respect to this reference phase as shown in Figure 15.	ACCEPTED: The PBCC modulation is not differentially encoded, thus a phase reference is required. The phase reference to be used is the phase of the last chip of the PLCP header. Add note that Figure 14 is an absolute phase table, not differential. Accept paragraph submitted as resolution. Note that Figure 15 is now

									Figure 14.
130.	15	1.4.8.4	mw	E		(page 553, line 40) HR/DSSS is ambiguous. Is it only 5.5 and 11 Mbps with long preamble?	Consider clarifying.		ACCEPTED, editor will clarify
131.	16	1.4.8.4	mw	t		CCA mode 2 and 3 currently fails on CCK and PBCC.	Consider resolving.		ACCEPTED: See resolution of comment #155.
132.	17	1.4.8.4	mw	t		The CCA modes do not solve all potential interoperability/coexistence problems.	Consider adding a new CCA mode which has two-state channel-busy tripping: (1) either CS occurs with energy below a threshold or (2) CS occurs with energy above a threshold. (1) VERY-WEAK SIGNAL STATE: Used to detect long range 1 and 2 Mbps systems. If CS occurs and the signal is below an ED threshold, declare the channel busy until the CS ends. (2) NOT-WEAK SIGNAL STATE: Used to detect CCK and PBCC which needs higher SNR's. Stronger 1 and 2 Mbps DSSS is detected also. If CS and energy above a threshold occurs, declare channel busy until ED drops. The MAC could disable the VERY-WEAK SIGNAL STATE if desired to mask out adjacent cells.		ACCEPTED: New modes specified for CCA modes in 1.4.8.4. Resolution accepted by commentor.
133.	18	1.4.8.4	mw	t		(page 554, line 5) The TGa draft does not impose power levels CCA versus threshold levels. Why does TGb?	Consider clarifying motivation for keying thresholds off transmit power level of unknown transmitter?		WITHDRAWN:
134.	19	1.4.8.4	mw	E		(page 554, line 11) The acronym HR/DSSS is not unambiguously defined. Does this mean 1, 2, 5.5 and 11 Mbps? Short or long preamble?	Consider clarifying.		ACCEPTED, See #130

						CCK or PBCC?		
135.	7	1.4.6.6	nc	T	N	The PBCC is an absolute, rather than differential, modulation. This requires an unambiguous statement of an initial phase. One example might be the phase of the last symbol of the preamble.	State that the reference phase for the mappings described in figure 14 shall be derived from the phase of the last symbol of the PLCP header	ACCEPTED: See resolution of comment #129.
136.	8	1.4.6.6	nc	T	N	In figure 14 it is not specified which component is I and which is Q, or which is real and which is the imaginary part in complex representation.	Specify Re near the horizontal axis and Im near vertical axis	ACCEPTED: See resolution of comments #127 and #128.
137.	9	1.4.6.6	nc	T	N	If the initial carrier phase used as a reference for the PBCC waveform is derived from the last symbol of the PLCP header, then using the constellations as depicted in figure 14 causes that before the transition phases of 0,90,180,270 are used, while after the transition the phases 45,135,225,315 are used. This results in a need to implement a modulator which may support 8 possible phases rather than 4. This in turn causes the I and Q components to become multilevel rather than two levels, which complicates implementation.	Rotate all the constellations in figure 14 by 45 degrees clockwise	REJECTED, see #129, the process has been further defined so that this confusion does not exist now.
138.	1.	1.4.5.5.3	BO	T	Y	This clause seems to be requiring some action from the MAC, which is improper in this location.	This is probably just described awkwardly. Rewrite the subclause so that PMD_TXSTART.request is seen as a result of the PLCP receiving PHY-DATA.request from the MAC.	ACCEPTED: Editor will change to: "As a result of receiving a PHY_DATA.reqauest from the MAC, the PLCP issues…"
139.	2.	1.4.6.7	BO	E		Drop shadows on the boxes in the figures are unnecessary.	Remove drop shadows.	ACCEPTED, EDITOR WILL REMOVE
140.	3.	1.4.6.7	BO	T	Y	References to "frame are again made in this clause. At the PMD level where this is described, all that is know are symbols.	Eliminate references to "frame". Better yet, eliminate PBCC entirely.	Partially ACCEPTED: For references to the word "frame", see resolution of comment 3. Elimination of PBCC was rejected, see resolution of comment 9.

141.	1	1.4.6.7	JF	T	Y	The PBCC mode should not be optional. The CCK modulation is inherently very weak by today's communications standards. If the PBCC is not used then the only way to make this waveform useful is with a severe measure of equalization. Therefore the only way to make this standard a useful one depends on a companies implementation, not on the standard waveform itself. By making the PBCC a requirement then the standard waveform itself will have inherent utility.	Make this mode required for a standard implementation.	REJECTED: See resolution of Comment 9.
142.	4	2.0 A4.7	Vh	E		The list is just a list now. It should be preceded by a question.	Add" What functions and features are provided in what way?	ACCEPTED: Add" What functions and features are provided in what way?"
143.	1.	1.4.6.8	BO	E		Reference the current 802.11 standard properly.		ACCEPTED: use: IEEE 802.11 Std-1997
144.	2.	1.4.6.8	BO	T	Y	If the reason for FH compatibility in the HR/DSSS PHY is backward compatibility with legacy FH systems, why is an incompatible hopping set defined? Hopping set 1 does not provide compatibility with legacy FH systems.	Eliminate the incompatible hopping set.	REJECTED, this is a more benign mode for DS co-existence
145.	3.	1.4.6.8	BO	T	Y	As described, the FH compatibility mode interferes with all other HR/DSSS modes of operation to the point of preventing any other operations in the vicinity of an HR/DSSS/FH system. This is entirely counter to the need for coexistence with the other HR/DSSS systems.	Eliminate HR/DSSS/FH.	Partially accepted, FH mode is changed see #8, #12
146.	4	1.4.7.9	JBo	T	N	Some formula mistakes that are also in the current standard. The summation is over 1000 samples, which makes sum from 0 to 999 (4 times). Verr formula: result is 1 if there is no distortion (can not be the intention) As far as I know this comment was not addressed in my November Ballot.	Change sums. Replace in the Verr formula the division by minus sign.	PARTIALLY ACCEPTED, replace 1000 by 999 to make formulas correct. Division sign was replaced by minus sign in the equation.
147.	2	1.1 , 1.2.7	sb	t	N	The co-existence matrix is not clear. The interoperability matrix I read as transmitter with capability x can talk to receiver with capability y. The concept of transmitter and receiver as they appear in the axes of table 2 is somewhat strange. It says that coexistence means to tolerate on	Check definitions and axes labeling in coexistence table. Be consistent about CCA interoperability between tables 1 and 2 particularly with respect to DSSS and	ACCEPTED, Table is removed

						another's presence – but a transmitter and receiver can always do this. Does coexistence not involve two pairs of interactions on the same channel – in which case if CCA is possible in a DSSS system from a HR/DS/SHORT system as in table 1 why do they not co-exist at least using CCA? Also there is no mention here of them being on the same physical channel. I also note that 1.2.7 suggests there is limited co-existence.	DS/HR/SHORT	
148.	8	1.1 Table 2	Vh	T	Y	The cell at column FH and at row HR/DSSS/FH should not say OK. In a number of cases at the band edge, there is interference	Replace the OK by OK'.	ACCEPTED, Table is removed
149.	9	1.1 Table 2	Vh	T	Y	The cell at column DSSS and at row HR/DSSS/FH should not say x. In a number of cases the FH receiver is in another "channel".	Replace the x by OK'.	ACCEPTED, Tables eliminated
150.	2	1.2.5 and/or 1.4.4.2	MIF	T	no	The 5th paragraph of 1.2.5 states that the PHY-TXSTART.request(TXVECTOR) primitive is described in 1.4.4.2, but no such description appears there (or anywhere else in this document). Of critical importance is that there appears to be no mechanism defined by which the MAC can instruct the PHY whether to use the long PLCP format or the short PLCP format. This should be a parameter in the TXVECTOR NOTE: The lack of this exact mechanism was part of this voters "NO" vote on Letter Ballot 15, and would have been the basis of a NO vote on this ballot except that Document 98-405 (Letter Ballot 15 comment resolutions) states that comments sequence #187 and #276 are accepted, so I assume that the PLCPFormat parameter is already a part of 802.11B TXVECTOR, and its omission from the D2.0 draft is an oversight.	Add (in an appropriate clause) a full description of the PHY-TXSTART.request(TXVECTOR) primitive, comparable to the descriptions thereof in the other PHY definitions. Include therein a PLCPFormat parameter that can take values "LongPLCP," "ShortPLCP," or "FHPLCP."	ACCEPTED, see comment 104.
151.	15	1.2.6 , 1.4.4.1	sb	T	N	I cannot find any definition of the modifications in terms of additional parameters required for the PHY primitives in clause 12 of the existing standard. For example some of the additional parameters to PHY-TX_START are mentioned in	Add PHY parameter definitions that extend clause 12 of the existing standard as appropriate.	OPEN

						1.2.6 but not defined elsewhere.		
152.	1.	1.4.5.10 and 1.4.5.11	BO	E		Modulation and rate have been separated in this version of the draft, yet they are still entwined here.	Delete "modulation" in several locations.	ACCEPTED
153.	5	1.1 Table 1 and 2	Vh	T	Y	From table 1 and 2, it can be seen that the FH option is only interoperable with itself and interferes with all other PHYs, features and options. As such, the FH option is to be seen as a separate PHY.

It is confusing to the market to have that option. The standard ought to specify why the option is included and how it relates to the other options and features.

Technically, the option is fatal when started in a building with a LAN that is deployed using the DSSS PHY with a carefully made frequency plan to have the highest efficiency for the user. The reason being that the FH option hops with its 11 MHz throughout the 2400 to 2480 MHz band, interfering with the cells around it.

Maturity wise, the feature is far behind the DSSS specification. The latter already having chips implemented and under testing. Continuation of the option will cause major delays in the approval speed of the standard. | Remove the option from the draft to enable the group to make its schedule, to prevent the group being ridiculed in the press of having presented a bad standard because of its many options and its incompatibility among its own components. | ACCEPTED, mode is changed to eliminate the extra preamble. See #8, #12 |
| 154. | 10 | 1.1 Table 1 and 2 | Vh | E | | The naming is not consistent, like DSSS but FH. | Make consistent with FHSS and DSSS consistently done. | Tables removed |
| 155. | 2 | 1.2.6 and 1.4.8.4 | JBo | T | Y | There is a coexistence problem between the short and long preamble. I prepared a submission together with Harris (99/01) which describes the problem and gives a resolution.
The main problem is in the case where a PPDU with a short preamble is being transmitted, while a station configured to receive a long preamble only, wants to transmit. Suppose the station is also configured in CCA mode 2 or 3 (carrier or carrier above energy level). | Changes in 1.2.6 PLCP receive procedure:
Page 523, line 3:
Delete: If the CCITT CRC-16 FCS check fails…….in Figure 10.

Page 523, line 25:
Add:
If the length count is expired | ACCEPTED:

Different text adopted in 1.2.6 and 1.4.8.4. This is acceptable to the commentor. |

						The receiver will sense the carrier of the short preamble, set CCA busy and waits for the longSFD. The SFD will not be detected. After the short preamble a CCK modulated signal is in the air. The receiver returns to the idle state (no SDF or drop of carrier) and senses the medium before transmitting the waiting frame. There is no carrier sense because of the CCK modulated signal (CCA idle). A transmission will start resulting in a collision. The chance on a collision in this scenario is 100%! The basic of resolution is to change the CCA approach. In the legacy standard is not prescribed under what conditions CCA returns from busy state to the idle state. I the new proposal this is added. The resolution is such that CCA will remain active during the whole transmission of the frame, independent on the modulation of the MPDU (Barker, CCK, PBCC)	(length=0) the HR/DSSS Phy will force the PHY_CCA.ind to go to the IDLE state (independent of the CCA mode used). Page 524, figure 10: Delete at arrow out of block RX PLCP CRC: Or CRC FAIL Changes in section 1.4.8.4 CCA can be found in document 99/10 In the overview section 1.1 it should be reflected that in a system conformant to the HR/DSSS also the 1 and 2 Mbit/s rates in that system should be conformant to this HS/DSSS standard (4-rate system).	
156.	6	1.4.6.5.2 , 1.4.6.5.3	nc	t	N	I don't see the rationale of changing the phase increment by 180 degrees on each odd symbol. Given that the modulation is DQPSK, it does not produce any new waveforms on the medium, but rather it changes the mapping between data bits and waveforms. As the data is scrambled anyway, the 180-degree flipping of odd symbols is a redundant operation.	Withdraw the 180 degree flipping text and appropriate columns of the tables.	REJECTED, the flipping is needed to combat scrambler deficiencies.
157.	1.	1.2.6 (page 524 lines 7-9 and 37-40)	BO	T	Y	This clause describes operation of the MAC and MAC management. The PHY has no idea of what the MAC or MAC management is doing, only the result of its operation, i.e., the issuance of PHY-TX.start. The PHY may not make new requirements on the operation of the MAC and MAC management.	Eliminate the text describing MAC and MAC management operation.	ACCEPTED, editor will remove offending paragraphs. The second was eliminated by removal of FH preamble anyway.
158.	2.	1.2.3.15 and 1.2.6	BO	T	Y	The table in 1.2.3.15 and the text in 1.2.6 seem to indicate that more than one rate must be indicated in the single FH PSF. 1.2.3.15 implies		ACCEPTED, the contradictory table was deleted in draft 2.0

		(page 523 line 5)				that the values for 5.5 or 11 Mb/s should be in this field. 1.2.6 states that the value for 4 Mbps should be in this field.		
159.	3.	1.3.1 Page 531 line 11 and line 13	BO	E		Improper word choice	Replace "of" with "or" and "802.11-197" with "802.11-1997".	ACCEPTED
160.	4.	1.3.3 Table 11, page 534 line 14	BO	T	Y	Three values are listed for this parameter without any indication of how to choose one.	Clarify this entry in the table.	ACCEPTED, editor will clarify, only two values left now.
161.	5.	1.4.6.8 page 555 line 34	BO	T	Y	The standard does not define IF bandwidth.	Eliminate the statement referring to IF bandwidth.	ACCEPTED, editor will remove reference to Bandwidth
162.	6.	1.4.7.9 page 565 lines 11 and 16	BO	T	Y	Equation is not correct.	Replace "n=0" with "n=1" in both locations.	ACCEPTED, change 0 to 1
163.	7.	1.4.7.9 page 563 line 51	BO	T	Y	Equation is not correct.	Replace "n=0" with "n=1" and use absolute value of I(n).	ACCEPTED, change 0 to 1
164.	8.	1.4.7.9 page 564 line 51	BO	T	Y	Equation is not correct.	Replace "n=0" with "n=1" and use absolute value of Q(n).	ACCEPTED, change 0 to 1
165.	1	Title	Vz	E		Add the word Draft to the title		ACCEPTED
166.	2	Headers and title	Vz	E		I am concerned about the numbering of this document. A capital letter (B) cannot be used for a revision. Is this a revision or a supplement? The title page refers to a revision, but the header on each page refers to a supplement	Use small b for the project Id and make header and title consistent: Draft Supplement to …..	ACCEPTED, Use small b for the project Id and make header and title consistent: Draft Supplement to
167.	3	Title	Vz	E			Ensure that the title matches the PAR	ACCEPTED
168.	4	Page number	Vz	E		Why does the page numbering begin at page 501	Use normal numbering	ACCEPTED, changed page numbering to start at 1

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169.	5	References	Vz	E			The base standard is referred to in several different ways throughout this document. Consistently refer to it as "IEEE Std 802.11-1997." When referring to a protocol, refer to it as an "IEEE 802.11" protocol (e.g., IEEE 802.11 device" in 1.2.3.4).	ACCEPTED, changed all instances to recommended way
170.	6	Sections	Vz	E			Refer to clauses and subclauses. Examples: See Clause 4, see 2.3.1. Also, refer to annexes rather than appendixes	ACCEPTED, appendixes changed to annexes and all references checked
171.	7	style, figures	Vz	E			All figures should use a minimum 8 pt type and Helvetica (medium, NOT bold) is the preferred font. Try to use fonts and sizes consistently in all figures (Figures 19 and 20 are too large compared to others). Is the heavy boldface in Figure 23 necessary?	ACCEPTED, will work over figures that are editable
172.	8		Vz				Lowercase clause and subclause headings wherever possible. Only the first letter of the first word should be capitalised (e.g., 1.4.6.5.1 Cover codes for CCK).	ACCEPTED, in so far as possible

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