

Candidate for Regional Chair of Pacific Region

Name: **Chris Jacobson**

Employment Position: **Senior Forecaster**

Office Branch and City, State: **National Weather Service WFO Honolulu, Hawaii**

I am currently a senior forecaster at WFO Honolulu, Hawaii. I earned a B.S. in Meteorology from Florida State University in April 1995, and joined the National Weather Service in July 1995. My NWS experience includes serving as a meteorologist/programmer at the Olympic Weather Support Office in Peachtree City (1995-96), an intern and general forecaster at NWSO Corpus Christi (1996-99), a general forecaster and information technology officer at WFO Oxnard (1999-2005), and a senior forecaster at WFO Upton (2005-07), WFO Key West (2007-13), and WFO Honolulu (2013-present).

I have been a member of the NWSEO since 1999. Past union officer experience includes serving as Vice Steward at WFO Oxnard (2001-2005), and Steward at WFO Key West (2009-2013). I have participated in numerous local teams dealing with various aspects of operations, including workload redistribution, tropical cyclone contingency planning, marine program improvements, and shift scheduling. I currently maintain a vacancy spreadsheet via the NWSEO Facebook group, which provides useful information for NWSEO leadership and members regarding the current state of NWS vacancies.

I have received a local Isaac Cline award in 2012 for exceptional information technology support, a Special Distinguished Service Award in 1996 for Olympic support, and numerous Special Act awards.