

NWS Presentation to the Deputy Secretary of Commerce in July 2016 details Plans to Downsize the NWS

(December 5, 2016) NWS Director Dr. Uccellini and Deputy Director Laura Furgione provided specific details on downsizing weather forecast offices and moving many offices to part-time operations in a PowerPoint presentation to the Deputy Secretary of Commerce in July 2016. Please note that this presentation was made two months prior to the September 28 and 29 All Hands OWA call to employees.

In the presentation, please note of Slides 23 and 25:

Slide 23 - IDSS and Warning and Staff Workload - Office size by location - only 40 of the 122 NWS Weather Forecast Offices will retain responsibility for issuing warnings of severe weather.

Slide 25 - Office size by range by locations with responsibilities

Please review the entire presentation. Here are a few more highlights from the presentation:

- Slide 3 "Stall tactics on CBA Renegotiation continue from NWSEO" The only times negotiations were stalled were the three times the NWS declared impasse and refused to bargain.
- Slide 6 Documents that the NWS has been losing far more staff every year than they are backfilling.
- Slide 9. "Many field and HQ vacancies, critical to the successor Evolve, remain unfilled, increasing risk and overtaxing workforce as they attempt to fill critical gaps."
- Slide 15 "Local staff operate business hours to match their partners" instead of the current 24/7/365 model"

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