

## Senate Appropriations Committee Rejects Cuts to NWS Staffing

(June 15, 2018) Yesterday, the Senate Appropriations Committee rejected cuts to NWS staffing proposed by the President in the FY 19 budget request including ITOS, forecasters at WFOs, and tsunami warning centers. The relevant portion of the Senate Appropriations Committee report is included with this newsletter.

NWSEO understands the importance of these positions and locations to the National Weather Service mission and is working hard to protect these jobs. As you may know, the ITO position has been eliminated from the President's budget every year since <u>FY2013</u>. We will continue to work until we are satisfied that the position is safe every year.

NWSEO is the only organization with the ability to lobby Congress and the Administration to preserve NWS jobs, promote better working conditions and career promotions for NWS, and participate in collective bargaining. Your membership powers our professional organization.

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No one works harder for National Weather Service employees than National Weather Service employees.

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