



The Four Winds

National Weather Service Employees Organization

The House Appropriations Committee just released the final bill for FY 2020

(December 18, 2019) NWS operations, research and facilities will be appropriated \$1,065,701,000 - this is \$45 million more than last year, and \$76 million more than requested by the President's budget.

Within that number, the Analyze, Forecast and Support Portfolio, from which the majority of positions are funded, was increased to \$513,556,000 - which is \$8 million more than appropriated last year, and \$30 million more than requested by the President's budget.

All NWS job cuts proposed in the Administration's budget were rejected.

While this is better than the President's budget, 2020 will still be a challenging year. The increase in the Analyze, Forecast and Support Portfolio will be offset by the pending salary increase of 3.1% (which still has yet to be approved as of this writing). Further, this increase in appropriations above the President's budget looks to provide little to no relief to the vacant and unfunded positions in NWS.

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National Weather Service employees.**

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

We are NWSEO.