

## **NWSEO Vice President Meets with Representative Dan Lipinski**

(September 21, 2010) NWSEO Vice President Bill Hopkins attended a breakfast for Representative Dan Lipinski (D-IL) in Washington, DC on Thursday, September 16. Lipinski is a member of the House Science Committee. He supports NWSEO on several issues, including the union's active role to promote aviation safety through the CWSUs. Bill Hopkins and NWSEO General Counsel Richard Hirn have also updated the congressman on the union's concerns over NOAA's plans to eliminate positions at Wallops Command and Data Acquisition Station and base the tracking station for the next generation of polar tracking satellites at Spitzenbergen Island.

In addition to talking with Lipinski about NWSEO-related issues, Vice President Hopkins was able to speak with Rep. Lipinski's Chief of Staff, Michael McLaughlin and Legislative Director Eric Lausten.