

Our Staff

Meteorologist in Charge Richard Wagenmaker Richard.Wagenmaker@noaa.gov - The MIC is the head position in a Weather Service Forecast Office. The MIC's job is to make sure the office is running efficiently and to oversee all functions of the forecast office. This includes administrative duties and personnel management. The MIC can also fill in as a forecaster, if needed.

Warning Coordination Meteorologist — Richard Pollman Richard.Pollman@noaa.gov - The WCM is the liaison between the emergency management community and the media. The WCM coordinates all warning functions of the office. This includes conducting spotter training and being a voice to the local media.

Science Operations Officer — Greg Mann Greg.Mann@noaa.gov - The SOO serves as the office's principal and senior scientific advisor and is in charge of systems training for all employees. The SOO makes sure that all hydrometeorological products and services provided by our office meet local, regional, and national NWS standards.

Forecasters (5 Senior and 5 General) — The forecasters issue the routine day to day forecasts, including public, marine, aviation and fire weather. They also issue all weather warnings for our 17 county warning area. The forecasters work around the clock, 365 days a year to maintain a constant weather watch and issue timely routine and updated forecasts.

Hydrologist — Danny Costello Danny.Costello@noaa.gov - This person makes river, flood and water-supply forecasts and does research needed to improve such forecasts. Forecasts are required for public warnings, operation of reservoirs, availability of water supply, river management for pollution abatement and many other purposes.

Administrative Support Assistant -The ASA performs a wide range of administrative functions for the staff management team; this can include performing technical aspects of all administrative programs and activities for the office related to budget, funds control, purchasing, procurement requests, contract monitoring, bankcard, property, vehicles, travel, training, personnel actions, time and attendance, mail, and maintaining office supplies and equipment.

Information Technology Officer — The ITO oversees AWIPS software installation and updates, network security and web services. The ITO also provides technical support for all computer software related functions.

Electronic Systems Analyst - The ESA is in charge of overseeing the maintenance of all equipment in the forecast office. This includes maintaining the local area network, AWIPS system administration, heating and cooling equipment, ASOS, upper air, and radar instruments.

Electronic Technicians (2) — The ETs maintain and modify a wide array of sophisticated equipment including radars, upper air telemetry and tracking equipment, computers, remote atmospheric data sensing equipment (ASOS) and communications equipment. These technicians ensure that precision and uniform output from environmental sensing, processing, and display systems are maintained.

Observation Program Leader —Sara Schultz Sara.Schultz@noaa.gov - The OPL oversees data collection, quality, and dissemination in the forecast office. This includes the area cooperative observer program, climate data, and the upper air observations.

Meteorologist Interns (4) - The interns analyze and evaluate local weather data; collect, analyze, interpret and provide recommendations on the data quality; assists on radar surveillance and issues scheduled and unscheduled weather forecast products under the guidance of the senior forecasters.