National Weather Service St. Louis Hires New Meteorologist in Charge

Weldon Spring, MO – July 28, 2022 – The National Weather Service (NWS) in St. Louis is excited to announce that Jim Sieveking has been named the next Meteorologist in Charge at the Weather Forecast Office in Weldon Spring, MO. Jim is a familiar face at the office, as he has served as the Science and Operations Officer (SOO) for NWS St. Louis since 2015 and has been at the St. Louis office since 2003. Before becoming a SOO, he was a Lead Forecaster and a General Forecaster at the office. Jim started his career at NWS Marquette, Michigan as a Meteorologist Intern in 2001.

When thinking about this next step in his career, Jim said, “I am excited about the future of the National Weather Service in St. Louis and look forward to leading an amazing staff of dedicated professionals.”

Jim has had a truly astounding career as a leader and a trainer of fellow forecasters. He is one of the leaders in the entire NWS in training forecasters to use cutting edge technology through probabilities to convey forecast information to our users so that they can make informed decisions. Jim has also been a part of setting the long term vision for the NWS, helping to write a roadmap of where the agency should go operationally and culturally over the next several years. He was also instrumental in the establishment of impact-based tornado warnings, which began rolling out in 2012.

Jim holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Meteorology from Saint Louis University (SLU) and a Masters of Science in Mathematics from the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. After graduating from SLU, Jim was selected to intern at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland for the summer, where he conducted research for a satellite field campaign.

Jim is originally from St. Louis and is a devoted husband and father of two daughters. He enjoys spending time outdoors and is an avid fisherman.

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