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NWS Partners Meeting Agenda

Date: August 15, 2019 **Location:** Albany, NY

Meeting Room: Assembly Hall, SUNY Albany Campus Center

Time: 8:00am - 12:30pm

Objective(s):

- Collaborate with the Weather Enterprise to achieve the NWS mission to protect life and property and grow the U.S. economy.

- Identify emerging issues and future opportunities for collaboration
- Clarify and leverage the unique roles and capabilities of Enterprise partners to respond to the increasing demand for actionable weather, water, and climate information.
- Expand public-private partnerships that fast-track private Enterprise innovations, strengthen relationships, eliminate barriers, and share best practices to focus continuous improvements.
- Discuss key timely and topical issues of interest to the Weather Enterprise and afford the opportunity for face to face interaction and discussion.

Participants:

- Weather, Water, and Climate Enterprise partners
- NWS leadership (AA/DAA, Portfolio Directors, Field Directors)
- Graduate students

Time	Topic and Lead
8:00am - 8:15am	Partners arrive, sign-in, network and get seated
8:15am - 8:30am	Welcoming Remarks - Mary Erickson, NWS Deputy Director Objective: Connect partners since last meeting and set expectations for the day.
8:30am - 9:30am	Graduate Student Round-Table Consultation and Discussions Objective: Opportunity for graduate students to consult with Partners. Preview: Partners and NWS leadership will engage directly with the future generation of researchers for the purposes of the following: 1) learning about their research areas; and 2) hearing their ideas about the future of forecasting, service delivery, observations, etc. We are designing this session as a way for industry, NWS and academia to consult with each other and leverage the NWS Strategic Plan as the supporting frame.

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9:30am - 10:00am	BREAK
10:00am - 11:45am	Partners Open Space Conversations Objective: Partners decide the agenda topics and drive discussions that are important to them. Preview: This session will enable participants 'self-organize' and to 'own' the space in the room by suggesting topics for sessions that are important to them. We will be asking all of you to come up with topics that you are passionate about/interested in discussing among the attendees. We will follow the law of two feet: "If at any point you find you are neither contributing to nor gaining from the conversation, you should move to a new conversation."
11:45am - 12:30pm	Reflection Remarks - Dr. Louis Uccellini, NWS Director Objective: Update Partners on NWS activities and reflect on discussions from the day and week.
12:30pm	Wrap-up - Peyton Robertson, OOE Director