# Your National Weather Service: Evolving to Build a Weather-Ready Nation

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## What We Heard the Past 2 Days

# **Strategic Plan**

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### **Building a Weather-Ready Nation Remains the Strategic Outcome**

### 3 Goals:

- Reduce the impacts of weather, water, and climate events by transforming the way people receive, understand, and act on information
- 2. Harness cutting-edge science, technology, and engineering to provide the best observations, forecasts, and warnings
- Evolve the NWS to excel in the face of change through investment in our people, partnerships, and organizational performance



### Evolve strategy based on three pillars



#### What we do to Evolve NWS

Vision: Weather-Ready Nation: Society is prepared for and responds to extreme weather, water, climate events

The vision of a WRN is **realized through the NWS Mission:** Provide forecasts and warnings for the protection of life and property and to enhance the national economy

Deepen our service to core partners: Testing and implementing the Operations and Workforce Analysis (OWA) recommendations through the NWS Program Management Office (PMO)

Enhancing our science and technology capabilities: Ensure NWS operational infrastructure remains at the "cutting edge" (e.g., next generation modeling and data assimilation systems) Engage strategically with and grow the broader enterprise: NWS fosters partnerships at all levels, proactively harnesses external advances that benefit the mission, and enables the enterprise to grow

#### How we manage it

- Build the Roadmap into a phasing diagram and placemat for near and longterm planning
- Incorporate into the NWS Annual Operating Plan and annual budget planning
- Integrate organization health and culture initiatives (OHI, FEVS)

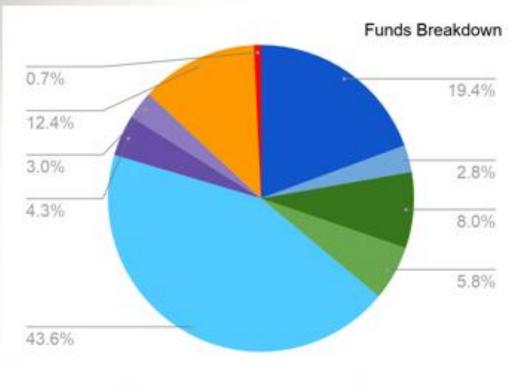
Implemented through updated NWS Strategic Plan and Roadmap

# Budget

## FY 2018 Omnibus Budget

Portfolio	Funds (\$K)	Position Estimate*		
Observations ORF	\$224,363	780		
Observations PAC	\$32,953	1		
Central Processing ORF	\$92,790	227		
Central Processing PAC	\$66,761	24		
Analyze, Forecast and Support ORF	\$503,938	3,048		
Dissemination ORF	\$50,028	88		
Dissemination PAC	\$34,619			
Science and Technology Integration PAC	\$143,000	456		
Facilities PAC	\$8,650	-		
TOTAL	\$1,157,102	4623		

\*NWS Staffing Plan revised



- Observations ORF
  Central Processing ORF
  Analyze, Forecast and Support ORF
  Dissemination ORF
  Science and Technology Interaction ORF
- Science and Technology Integration ORF

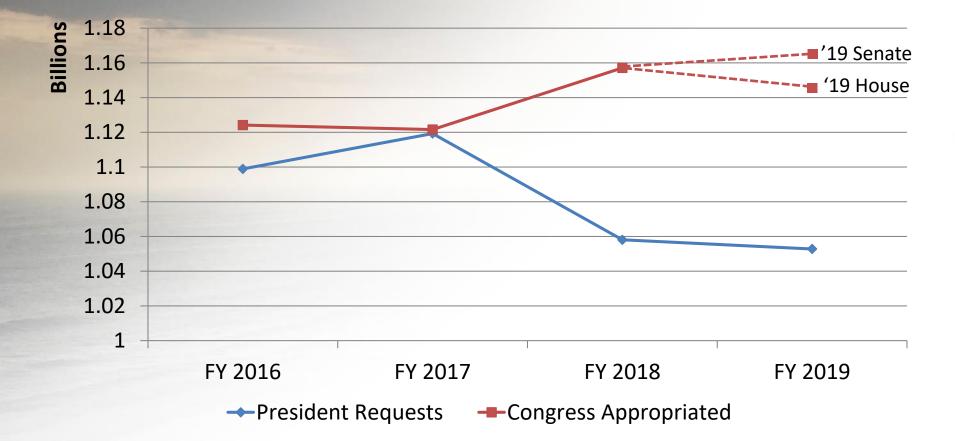
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Dissemination PAC

Facilities PAC

## **Budget Status**

### **Comparison of Requested and Enacted Amounts**



# **Highest Priorities**

#### **Observations**

- GOES-16 operational as GOES-East
- First phase of NEXRAD SLEP (Signal Processor) completed in early 2018
- ASOS SLEP initiated to extend service life to 2040
- Alaska Demonstration Project is underway to deploy Autosonde technology
- Nearly 40% of weather buoys upgraded with SCOOP technology

#### **Central Processing**

- AWIPS II deployed /AWIPS III
- 60% capacity increase in Supercomputing service
- AHPS locations expanded to 4,011 locations nationwide
- AWIPS configured for GOES-16 data

#### Science & Tech Integration

- Full implementation of the Virtual Lab
   FV3 (GFDL Finite Volume Cubed-Sphere
- Dynamical Core) selected to upgrade the current operational GFS
- Implemented new and improved products for National Hurricane Center (NHC) operations
- National Water Model upgraded
- National Blend of Models upgraded

### FY 2018



WRN Ambassador Initiative 8100+ Ambassadors

#### Analyze, Forecast, Support

- Pathfinder Partnerships between WFOs and State DOTs
- Operationalize National Blend of Models
- GOES 16 Training Readiness
- Hazard Simplification consolidation for winter products
- Operational Storm Surge Watch/Warnings

#### Experimental National Water Model products

- New Operational Tsunami Modeling System
- Operational Impact-Based format for Convective Warnings
- Operational implementation of Week 3-4 Temperature
   Outlook

#### Facilities

- WFO Boston and Cleveland relocations
- Facility Assessments at 20 Sites
- Barrow Property Disposal
- NWS Facilities Strategic Plan

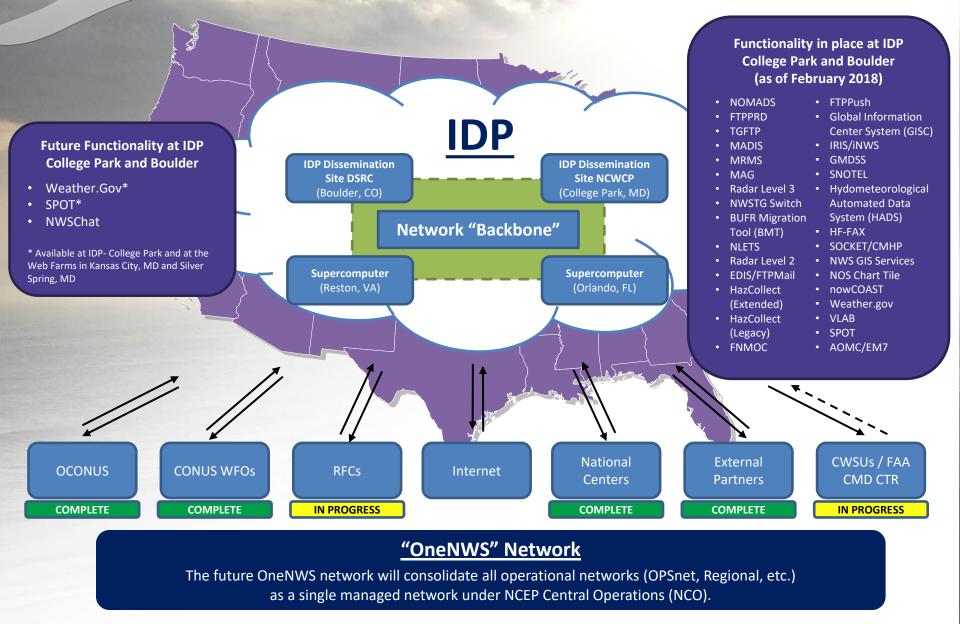
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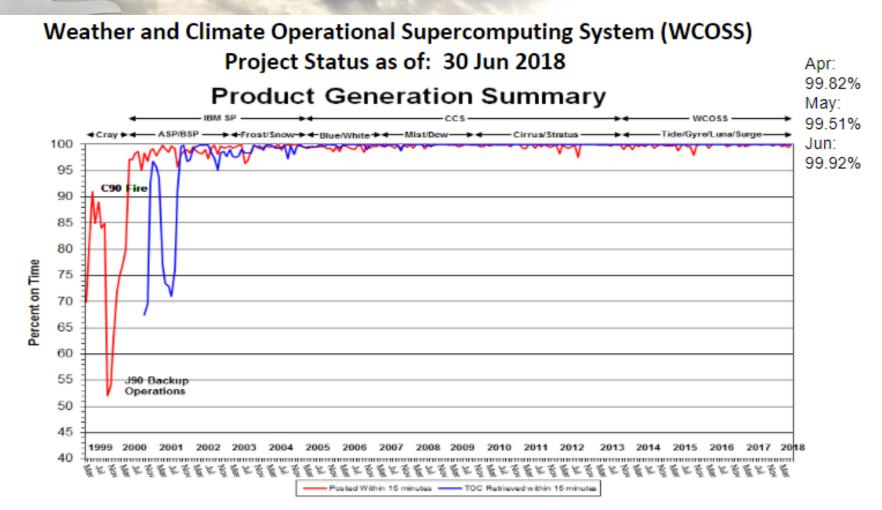
- OneNWS upgrades for all WFO sites
- Operational implementation of Integrated Dissemination Program (IDP)
- GOES-16 Readiness

Impleme	ntation	Plans f	or FV3	Global F	orecast	System	(GFS V	15.0) an	d Globa	l Ensem	ble For	ecast Sy	stem (G	SEFS V1	2.0)
Timeline	FY17				FY18			FY19				FY20		% Complete	
Component	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	
FV3 GFS Development	Implement FV3 dycore in NEMS & couple to GFS Physics + GFDL Microphysics; Evaluate, and document FV3 dycore for GFS														100%
FV3 GDAS Development			Assimila (GOES-16	ybrid GSI/E ition of nev 6/17, NOAA ng, tuning a	v satellite -20 etc.); (	datasets Cycled DA									100%
Post-Processing, Downstream applications				- and post- ream produ di		tion, real-ti				SV15 in erations					100%
GFS v15.0 Implementation						retrospe		l-time para tion to ope	llels, evalu rations	ation and					75%
FV3 GEFS Development				low resolu gure it for r											100%
FV3 GEFS Reanalysis							Prod	-	ar reanalys GFS/GDAS (	is datasets (ESRL)	using				30%
Ensemble configuration		-		S ensembl Ind extend										GEFS V12	98%
FV3 GEFS Reforecasts								Produce '	′30-year re	forecasts ( (EMC)	extended	to 35 days)		operatio	
GEFS v12.0 implementation							: Today					tive evaluat d transition			0%

## **IDP – Focus on Dissemination**

### Integrated Dissemination Program (IDP) Long-Term Sustainable Solution





#### FY18 NOAA AOP Milestone- WCOSS

Sustain 99% on-time product generation on operational supercomputers 90% of the time

## **Other Topics**

- Private sector status within WMO.
   Key interactions now:
  - Assessment of NGGPS prior to implementation

Ongoing during R2O

Ongoing interactions on IDP.

# **Thank You**

