



A Presentation  
on the  
EISWG Annual Report to Congress  
Required by the Weather Act of 2017

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# Presentation Overview

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- Approach
- Main Points of 2019 Report
- Questions?

# Approach

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- In this second year, the EISWG realized a reactive review process for the series of reports required of NOAA by the Weather Act was going to be a slow process because many of the reports are complex, requiring extended periods for development and internal review within NOAA and the Executive Branch.
- Therefore, in addition to reviewing the required reports as they become available from the NOAA Line Offices, the EISWG is developing its own assessments of key Weather Act topics based on presentations by both NOAA staff and external experts, and extended discussions at EISWG meetings with these presenters. The presentations and discussion are summarized by a small task group into a brief report that outlines the state of the topic within NOAA, followed by any necessary recommendations. After review by the full EISWG membership, the report is forwarded to the NOAA SAB for its consideration and transmittal to NOAA leadership.

The 2019 EISWG Report to Congress was reviewed and approved by the full EISWG for forwarding to the SAB at the June 2019 EISWG meeting.

# Main Points of EISWG 2019 Report

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- Fall 2018, EISWG reviewed the use of Observing Systems Simulation Experiences (OSSE) within NOAA, a prominent topic in the Weather Act. This resulted in a report with several recommendations that was forwarded to the SAB in April 2019.
  - A slightly modified version of this report has been submitted to the Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society for publication
- Fall 2019, EISWG received the “Report to Congress – Tornado Warning Improvement and Extension Program Plan.” The EISWG has reviewed this report and developed a number of recommendations for NOAA’s consideration.

# Questions?

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# Backup Slides

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# NOAA's Clearance Process



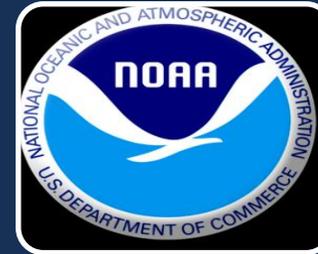
Write and edit report drafts

Drafts submitted to LO FCAs for review

Submit to CCU to initiate clearance



NOAA HQ Approvals (Jacobs, Gallaudet, CFO, Policy, etc.)



LO Approvals (AAs, DAAs, CFO, Policy, Budget, etc.)



On to the next report...

Or repeat, if annual report...