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**From:** Maureen O'Leary - NOAA Federal  
**Sent:** Monday, September 9, 2019 12:25 PM  
**To:** Robert Rutledge - NOAA Federal  
**Subject:** Re: Louis speech at NWA - NWS Chief Backs WFO Birmingham

I spoke with Bill and Chris briefly this morning. We had to reschedule our E-field discussion for next week.

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On Mon, Sep 9, 2019 at 12:13 PM Robert Rutledge - NOAA Federal <[robert.rutledge@noaa.gov](mailto:robert.rutledge@noaa.gov)> wrote:

Good news stuff, but who's discussion this am? :)

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Per our discussion this morning.

**National Weather Service director breaks with NOAA's political leaders, strongly backs agency meteorologists instead of Trump**

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/weather/2019/09/09/national-weather-service-director-breaks-with-noaas-political-leaders-strongly-backs-agency-meteorologists-instead-trump/>

**Alabama weather service right to contradict Trump on Dorian, NWS chief says**

<https://www.al.com/news/2019/09/alabama-weather-service-right-to-contradict-trump-on-dorian-nws-chief-says.html>

**NWS Chief Backs Birmingham Forecasters Who Contradicted Trump**

<https://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/national-international/National-Weather-Service-Chief-Backs->

[Alabama-Forecasters-Who-Contradicted-Trump-559834051.html](#)

Speech on Facebook - [https://www.facebook.com/nwasorg/videos/550500372391263/?hc\\_location=ufi](https://www.facebook.com/nwasorg/videos/550500372391263/?hc_location=ufi)

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