Congress Approves the Department of Commerce Reprogramming Request for the National Weather Service

(June 28, 2012) The Department of Commerce's reprogramming request for the National Weather Service received final approval of Congress last night, June 27, around 5 pm. There will be no furloughs this year. However, furloughs and reductions in force may be necessary at the beginning of 2013 or in subsequent years as a result of the sequestration provisions of last year's budget reduction act or as a result of the agency's plans to consolidate forecast offices, which are under development.

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