



The Four Winds

National Weather Service Employees Organization



From Left: Jessica Lehmann, Steve Hannah, Daniela Pirraglia, Derek Williams, Peter Chan, Brian Boyd, Congressman Mark Amodei, MIC Greg Barnhart and SOO Paul Frisbie.

(August 13, 2019) Congressman Mark Amodei visited the WFO in Elko, Nevada on July 31 at the invitation of the NWSEO. Congressman Amodei has been the United States Representative for Nevada's second congressional district since 2011 and on the Appropriations Committee. The group discussed a variety of topics critical to NWS employees: the agency mission in general, but he was particularly sympathetic about the brutal staffing shortages and the pay-cap denials for staffing OT. He and his staff spent some time with individual employees affected by the pay caps. The Congressman successfully launched a weather balloon and the local newspaper was there to capture the story. He discussed his ideas for coordinating future wildfire research with core partners, and challenged the employees to come up with other projects. The staff brought up their giant radar holes where they have numerous fires, winter weather, and flash flooding. The Congressman promised to look into adding a radar in central Nevada, cooperating with other entities to fund and maintain it.

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No one works harder for National Weather Service employees than National Weather Service employees.

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Congressman Mark Amodei and NWSEO WR Chair Delyne Kirkham.

