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# Northrop Grumman Joins NOAA Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador Initiative

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## Northrop Grumman Will Present Extreme Weather Google Hangout on Air

MCLEAN, Va., Sept. 10, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Northrop Grumman Corporation (NYSE: NOC) has joined the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador Initiative<sup>TM</sup>. Through this initiative, NOAA formally recognizesNorthrop Grumman as a partner who is improving the nation's readiness, responsiveness and overall resilience against extreme weather, water and climate events.



"Northrop Grumman is honored to participate in the Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador Initiative," said Ed Sturms, sector vice president and general manager, civil division, Northrop Grumman Information Systems. "Leadership in advancing science and technology is critical to ensuring the success of the nation's weather readiness and we applaud NOAA for leading such an important initiative."

"Northrop Grumman shares NOAA's vision of building a Weather-Ready Nation," said Louis Uccellini, Ph.D., director of NOAA's National Weather Service. "Working together we will provide useful and relevant information to communities, businesses and individuals to help them become ready, responsive and resilient to extreme weather and water events."

Northrop Grumman will kick off its involvement as a Weather-Ready Ambassador on Sept. 18 by presenting a Google Hangout on Air hosted by the American Astronautical Society (AAS) and American Meteorological Society (AMS).

Entitled "Overcoming Extreme Weather," the one-hour digital event will bring together representatives from the national weather community to discuss challenges in forecasting and preparing for extreme weather. The panel will also discuss advances in science and technology designed to aid experts in delivering better information to protect life and property.

Date and Time: Sept. 18, 2014, at Noon ET

Location: www.northropgrumman.com/extremeweather

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### Participants:

- Laura Delgado Lopez, Secure World Foundation moderator
- Dr. Louis Uccellini, director, National Weather Service, NOAA
- Jason Samenow, weather editor, The Washington Post
- Maria LaRosa, meteorologist, The Weather Company
- Dr. Marshall Shepherd, past president, American Meteorological Society and Georgia Athletic Association professor, University of Georgia
- Amanda Mitchell, Millersville University graduate student

Northrop Grumman has a legacy in supporting environmental programs with the Department of Commerce, NOAA and NASA. Advancing an environmental decision support enterprise to help the nation be "weather-ready" is consistent with the company's role as an ambassador in the NOAA Weather-Ready Nation (WRN) program.

As a WRN Ambassador, partners commit to working with NOAA and other Ambassadors to strengthen national resilience against extreme weather. The WRN Ambassador Initiative helps unify efforts across government, nonprofits, academia and private industry to make the nation more ready, responsive, and resilient against extreme environmental hazards. WRN is a strategic outcome where society's response should be equal to the risk from all extreme weather, water and climate hazards.

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