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Neil et al: I just received this as a cc. Joe is a principled man and former National Weather Service Director. I wanted to make sure you saw this as he addressed his email to an administrator account I am not sure I have seen before. And his email is calm in comparison to the upwelling we are seeing within the entire weather community. The mood out there is pretty ugly. Will make the NWA more of a challenge than anyone could imagine. Louis

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First, let me say how proud I am of how well the NWS handled the difficult forecast situation with hurricane Dorian. The NHC and the WFOs are to be commended for the accuracy of the warnings and forecasts and their efforts to communicate the dangers to the emergency management community and to the public.

The blemish to a Federal Government carrying out its duty to protect life and property was the erroneous warning issued by a Presidential Tweet. At the time of our glorious leader's tweet, the chances of significant impact to the state of Alabama was essentially zero. The recent communications by a 'NOAA Spokesman' which tried to rewrite history in deplorable. Chastising WFO Birmingham for correctly pointing out that there was no danger to Alabama was unconscionable.

NOAA is a great agency with an important mission for the nation. This rewriting history to satisfy an ego diminishes NOAA.

Regards

Joe

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