

## Steven Gruskin

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**From:** Steven Gruskin  
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**Subject:** Alabama

Dear Dr. Jacobs,

As a lifelong engineer/scientist, I'm appalled at your agency's press release concerning Alabama, Dorian and the NWS. Why in the world would you wade into this political s-storm?

Even if you were correct about what you said, your statement only made matters worse. It will empower those that side with Trump (and maybe even some who don't) to doubt the NWS, even a little, and thereby potentially put innocent lives at stake the next time we have a hurricane or tornado or other serious weather event at our doorstep.

I don't know that you can fix this now, as the damage is done. I wish you the best, and only hope that you and your agency do not make future mistakes of this kind.

Thank you for your time.