

Jennifer Jones

From: Jennifer Jones
Sent: Sunday, September 8, 2019 2:02 AM
To: neil.jacobs@noaa.gov
Subject: NOAA Statement

Dear Mr. Jacobs,

I am concerned about the unsigned statement that was released by the NOAA refuting your own scientists. Mr. Jacobs, weather is not a political issue. The President made a mistake. The meteorologists in Birmingham acted responsibly in correcting this mistake. They should not have been put in this position, but they performed admirably. I won't bother to argue the facts because you are well aware of them. Alabama was not in danger, but politicizing the NOAA places all of us in danger.

The NOAA cannot be the next organization branded as "fake news." People need to be able to trust weather reports. I understand that jobs may be at stake, that funding may be at stake, but this presidency will eventually end. The damage that is done to our democratic norms could be irreversible. I am asking you to please think of your country. The next President could be an unhinged Democrat, an erratic Socialist. It is also very possible that Trump will be re-elected, and we have just given him more proof that there is no line that can't be crossed to save his ego.

We have to be able to trust the weather reports if nothing else.

Please fix this.

Sincerely,
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