

NOAA Invites Papers for The 7th GOES Users' Conference

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has issued a call for papers for the 7th GOES Users' Conference (GUC). The conference will be held in conjunction with the 36th National Weather Association (NWA) annual meeting at the Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham, Ala., in October 2011.

The theme for the NWA annual meeting is “The End Game -- From Research and Technology to Best Forecast and Response.” This theme and the joint meeting support a wide variety of papers and posters. The GOES planning committee is seeking abstracts for oral and poster presentations on operationally focused topics on the current GOES and GOES-R, and specifically a wide variety of papers/posters related to GOES-R Proving Ground activities. The GOES-R Proving Ground project objective is to bridge the gap between research to operations.

To be a presenter at the NWA Annual Meeting/GUC, for both poster and oral formats, you must submit an abstract by June 1, 2011. You do not have to be an NWA member to submit an abstract. Your project does not need to be completed; your abstract may highlight a “work in progress” as many authors are looking for advice and comments to help improve their work. These works in progress and abstracts for completed papers must be submitted via an online form on the main NWA website: [**http://www.nwas.org/2011abstracts.html**](http://www.nwas.org/2011abstracts.html).

GOES-R, slated to be launch-ready in 2015, will provide critical atmospheric, oceanic, climatic, solar, and space data. The new satellites will provide the user community with significantly more data, with noteworthy improvements in temporal and spatial resolutions.

The NWA meeting will be held Oct. 15-20; the 7th GOES Users' Conference will be held Oct. 20-21, with a joint NWA/GUC reception on the evening of Oct. 19, a joint NWA/GUC session on Oct. 20, and GUC sessions on Oct. 20 and Oct. 21.

For general information about the joint NWA annual meeting/GUC, please see the NWA web site at [**http://www.nwas.org/meetings/nwa2011/**](http://www.nwas.org/meetings/nwa2011/) and [**http://www.goes-r.gov/**](http://www.goes-r.gov/)

For specific information on submitting an abstract please see:
[**http://www.nwas.org/2011abstracts.html**](http://www.nwas.org/2011abstracts.html)

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