

AWIPS II Topic of the Week -- AWIPS II: How Good is it? The Testing and Evaluation Phase

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On Monday, December 7, the NWS Communications Office distributed the latest NWS Focus publication to all NWS employees. In this month's issue Neal DiPasquale, OPS Field Systems Operations Center (FSOC) and Operational Test and Evaluation (OT&E) Director, Sanford Garrard, OT&E Project Lead, and John Tatum, OT&E Test Case Manager were featured as part of the AWIPS II article series. The OT&E Team is charged with ensuring successful testing and evaluation of the AWIPS II Service Oriented Architecture (SOA). Each OT&E principal understands their critical role within this major initiative, "... [with] the introduction of AWIPS II, our team feels that we are enhancing that capability to another level by providing our field staff with software that meets that core value [protecting life and property]." The team is excited about the various migration activities and they look forward to the continued collaboration from the field. A very special thanks to Dr. Curtis Carey, NWS Communications Office Director, and his staff for the interviews and their outstanding job on providing insightful articles.

To read the NWS Focus article in its entirety please check the AWIPS Tech Infusion web site (<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/ost/SEC/AE/index.htm>).

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