## A National Voice National Hydrologic Warning Council

Texas Fall Workshop and Training
October 28-29, 2015
Austin, Texas

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### **NHWC History**

- Formed in 1993 by ALERT Users Group (AUG) & Southwestern Association of ALERT Systems (SAAS)
- ALERT-Flows East Coast Users Group joined in 1999
- Officially incorporated in 2005



### NHWC Vision

Providing timely, quality hydrologic information to protect lives, property, and the environment.



### **NHWC Mission**

Be the trusted leader of the hydrologic warning community by providing training, guidance & standards, and professional development.



# Hydrologic Warning

The ability to warn of imminent danger to life, property, and the environment from hydrologic disasters through the use of automated remote data collection networks, modeling and analysis, and integrated forecast and warning systems.



### The Warning Process

Observe, monitor, detect, forecast and generate warning



Disseminate warning

Respond Appropriately



### **Technical Areas**

- Hydrology
- Data Collection
- Modeling & Analyses
- Standards and Guidance
- Hazard Communication & Public Awareness



### **Educational Areas**

- Training & Professional Development
  - Biennial Conferences
  - Workshops and webinars





# **NHWC Members**

- 87 Federal Agencies
- 75 Local/Regional Agencies
  - 4 State Agencies
- 94 Companies/Businesses
  - 1 Academia
- 15 Individuals

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# Leadership - National & Geographic Perspective



**NHWC Board Member's Locations** 

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Dave Curtis, Past President	Sacramento, CA
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#### Liaisons

**Organizations:** 

AUG AMS

ASFPM ASDSO

TFMA NAFSMA

**Agencies:** 

NOAA NWS

FEMA USACE

**Others:** 

CoCoRaHS IFLOWS

### Benefits – In My Own Words

- Collaboration share and learn from each other
- Support each other in time of need (local coordination: operations & maintenance)
- Monitoring & developing technologies
- Collective national position is critical



### Join Us

# 11<sup>th</sup> National Training Conference & Exposition

Squaw Valley, CA
June 2017



### **Texas Workshop Exhibitors**

**Hydrolynx Systems AMR Consultants** Vieux & Assoc. **High Sierra Electronics Water Monitoring Solutions Ott Hydromet FTS Campbell Scientific One Rain** 



### **Program Committee**

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# Host - Thank you!

