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## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Geosciences, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, August 2019

Dissertation: Demonstration of ensemble sensitivity-based targeted observing for convective-scale applications: Perfect-model experiments

Advisor: Christopher C. Weiss

M.S., Atmospheric Science, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, December 2014

Thesis: Mesoscale data assimilation and ensemble sensitivity analysis towards improved

predictability of dryline convection

Advisor: Christopher C. Weiss

B.S., Atmospheric Science, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, June 2012

Major: Meteorology Minor: Applied Statistics

# **APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor, School of Meteorology, University of Oklahoma, 2023-present
Research Scientist II, Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, 2022-2023
Research Scientist I, Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, 2021-2022
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, 2019
-2021

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Geosciences, Texas Tech University, 2012-2019 Graduate Student Visitor, Mesoscale and Microscale Meteorology Laboratory, National Center for Atmospheric Research, 2018

Undergraduate Research Assistant, Department of Atmospheric Science, University of Washington, 2011-2012

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Data science and statistical methods, mesoscale meteorology, predictability and data assimilation, weather and forecasting, targeted observing, innovative observing systems

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Presidential International Travel Fellowship – University of Oklahoma	2024
Cross-Journal Editor's Award – American Meteorological Society	2024
"Paper of Note" – Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society	2023
Rising Star Award - Researcher, Walter Scott Jr. College of Eng. (CSU)	2023
WxChallenge Category 1 cumulative winner	2019-2020

Runner-up in Cold Bay, AK and Cheyenne, WY	
Doctoral Dissertation Completion Fellowship	2018-2019
WxChallenge final-four finalist in end-of-year tournament	2017
Student Travel Award	2017
20th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation	
Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface	
Texas Tech University Geoscience Scholarship	2013
Jurica Fellowship, Texas Tech University	2012
Atmospheric Sciences Achievement Award, University of Washington	2012
Phil Church Award, University of Washington	2012
Naval Weather Service Association Scholar	2010-2012
PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES	
M 1 A ' M 1 1 1 1 C ' 1	2012

Member, American Meteorological Society	2012-present
Member, American Geophysical Union	2017-present
Member, National Weather Association	2023-present

# FIELD PROJECT EXPERIENCE

- Targeted Observations by Radars and UAS of Supercells (TORUS); Assisted fieldwork operations and led numerous forecast discussions, 2019
- Deploying mobile radars for interceptions of outflow boundaries, tornadoes, and mesoscale convective systems for the Texas Tech University Severe Storm Research Group, 2013-2019
- National Robotics Initiative; Assisted fieldwork operations with two mobile Ka-band radars to support unmanned aircraft flights in and around supercell thunderstorms, 2018
- RIvers of VORticity in Supercells (RiVorS); Assisted fieldwork operations with a mobile Ka -band radar to observe vorticity rivers, 2017
- Verification of the Origins of Rotation in Tornadoes Experiment-Southeast (VORTEX-SE); Student technician responsible for: integrating solar panel hardware into the Texas Tech StickNet observing platforms, altering existing hardware and software, maintaining stationary observing sites, developing web display, and producing analysis graphics, 2016-2017
- Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) project; Assisted fieldwork operations with mobile Ka-band radars to adaptively sample baroclinic boundaries near supercells and contributed to development of computer processing techniques and communications for real-time dual-doppler analyses, 2014-2015
- Assisted in the rebuilding of TTU StickNet data acquisition systems in support of the TTU Hurricane Research Team, 2013

# MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

Session Chair, 30th Conference on Severe Local Storms, 2022

Participant, 2nd Mind the Gap Workshop: Educating the Next Generation of Atmospheric Scientists for Careers in Industry, 2022

Participant, Implicit and Explicit Bias Workshop, Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, 2021

Session Chair, Special Symposium on Global and Mesoscale Models: Updates and Center, 2021 Participant, Hydrometeorological Testbed (NOAA) Flash Flooding and Intense Rainfall

Experiment, 2019-2022

Participant, Hazardous Weather Testbed (NOAA) Spring Forecast Experiment, 2014, 2018, 2021-2022

Session Chair, AMS 30th Conference on WAF/26th Conference on NWP, 2020 Participant, Workshop: Increasing Inclusivity in the Engineering Classroom, 2019

## REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

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#### **SUBMITTED**

- 10. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, and <u>M. R. Green</u>, 2024: Observation Definitions and their Implications in Machine Learning-based Predictions of Excessive Rainfall. *Weather and Forecasting*, submitted.
- 9. Mazurek, A. C., **A. J. Hill**, R. S. Schumacher, and <u>H. J. McDaniel</u>, 2024: Can Ingredients-Based Forecasting be Learned? Disentangling a Random Forest's Severe Weather Predictions. *Weather and Forecasting*, submitted.

## **ACCEPTED**

## **PUBLISHED**

- 8. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, and I. L. Jirak, 2023: A new paradigm for medium-range severe weather forecasts: probabilistic random forest-based predictions. *Weather and Forecasting*, 38, 251-272, doi:10.1175/WAF-D-22-0143.1.
- 7. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2021: Forecasting excessive rainfall with random forests and a deterministic convection-allowing model. *Weather and Forecasting*, 36, 1693-1711, doi:10.1175/WAF-D-21-0026.1.
- 6. Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, M. Klein, J. Nelson, M. Erickson, S. M. Trojniak, and G. R. Herman, 2021: From random forests to flood forecasts: A research to operations success story. *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*, 102, E1742-E1755, doi:10.1175/BAMS-D-20-0186.1.
- 5. **Hill, A. J.**, C. C. Weiss, and D. C. Dowell, 2021: Influence of a portable near-surface observing network on experimental ensemble forecasts of deep convection hazards during VORTEX-SE, *Weather and Forecasting*, 36, 1141-1167, doi:10.1175/WAF-D-20-0237.1.
- 4. **Hill, A. J.**, C. C. Weiss, and B. C. Ancell, 2020b: Factors influencing ensemble sensitivity-based targeted observing prediction at convection-allowing resolutions. *Monthly Weather Review*, 148, 4497-4517, doi:10.1175/MWR-D-20-0015.1.
- 3. **Hill, A. J.**, G. R. Herman, and R. S. Schumacher, 2020a: Forecasting severe weather with random forests. *Monthly Weather Review*, 148, 2135--2161, doi:10.1175/MWR-D-19-0344.1.

- 2. **Hill, A. J.**, C. C. Weiss, and B. C. Ancell, 2016: Ensemble sensitivity analysis for mesoscale forecasts of dryline convection initiation. *Monthly Weather Review*, 144, 4161-4182. doi:10.1175/MWR-D-15-0338.1
- 1. Rasmussen, K. L., **A. J. Hill**, V. E. Toma, M. D. Zuluaga, P. J. Webster, and R. A. Houze, Jr., 2014: Multiscale analysis of three consecutive years of anomalous flooding in Pakistan *Quart. J. Roy. Meteor. Soc.*, 141, 1259-1276. doi:10.1002/qj.2433.

#### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- CSU Source Article: "CSU machine learning model helps forecasters improve confidence in storm prediction", February 2023, https://tinyurl.com/u57ummbx.
- The Conversation: "AI and machine learning are improving weather forecasts, but they wont replace human experts", May 2022
- CSU Source Article: "From research to real world: CSU atmospheric scientists develop heavy rainfall forecast tool used nationwide", October 2021

# **DATASETS**

- **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, and I. L. Jirak, 2023: Forecast dataset associated with "A new paradigm for medium-range severe weather forecasts: probabilistic random forest-based predictions. Dryad, Dataset, https://doi.org/10.5061/dryad.c2fqz61cv
- Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, M. Klein, J. A. Nelson, M. J. Erickson, S. M. Trojniak, and G. R. Herman, 2021: Forecast dataset associated with "From random forests to flood forecasts: A research to operations success story". Mountain Scholar repository, http://dx.doi.org/10.25675/10217/222367

## **GRANTS AND CONTRACTS**

#### Current

2024-2027: "Collaborative Research: What drives the most extreme rainstorms in the contiguous US?". National Science Foundation. PI: Russ Schumacher (CSU). Co-PI Aaron Hill.

**2023-2026:** "Collaborative Research: Mesoscale Predictability Across Climate Regimes". National Science Foundation. PIs: Brian Ancell (TTU), Kristen Rasmussen (CSU), Yonggang Wang (SUNY Oswego). **Co-PI: Aaron Hill.** 

**2021-2024:** "Environmental and Storm-generated Controls in Modulating Quasi-linear Convective System Vertical Vorticity: Dynamics and Detection". National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. PIs: Christopher Weiss (TTU), Matthew Kumjian (PSU), Dan Dawson (Purdue), Vanna Chiemelwski (NSSL). **Co-PI: Aaron Hill**.

# **Completed**

**2021-2023:** "Medium-range excessive rainfall forecasts with machine learning models". National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Joint Technology Transfer Initiative. PI: Russ Schumacher. **Co-PI: Aaron Hill**.

**2020-2023:** "Generating calibrated forecast guidance for severe weather beyond day 1", National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Joint Technology Transfer Initiative. PI: Russ Schumacher. **Co-PI: Aaron Hill**.

# CLASSES/WORKSHOPS/COURSES TAUGHT

# at University of Oklahoma

METR 1313: Introduction to Programming for Meteorology, Spring 2024

## at Colorado State University

ATS 780A7: Machine Learning for the Atmospheric Sciences, Guest Lecturer, March 2022

ATS 641: Mesoscale Meteorology, Guest Lecturer, March 2022

Department of Atmospheric Science Machine Learning Workshop, Colorado State University, Co

-Instructor, January 2020

# at Texas Tech University (graduate student)

ATMO 3316: Severe and Hazardous Weather, Guest Lecturer, 2019

Writing Tutor: Graduate Student Writing Center, 2015, 2017-2018

ATMO 1300: Introduction to Atmospheric Science, Instructor, summer 2016, summer 2017

ATMO 1300: Introduction to Atmospheric Science, Guest Lecturer, 2015

ATMO 2301: Weather, Climate, and Human Activities, Guest Lecturer, 2014

# **CURRENT GRADUATE STUDENTS**

# FORMER GRADUATE STUDENTS

## **CURRENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

Gabriel Cenker, Andrew Muehr, Victor Tiradoegas, Evan White, 2024 (Capstone senior project)

# <u>UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCHERS MENTORED</u>

Evan Chladny, 2024 (former honors undergraduate student at University of Oklahoma)

Evan White, 2023 (current honors undergraduate student at University of Oklahoma)

Mitchell Green, 2023 (former undergraduate student at Central Michigan University)

Hanna McDaniel, 2022 (former undergraduate student at Florida State University)

## **CURRENT GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES**

Ali Al Jabri (Ph.D. student, University of Oklahoma)

Madeline Diedrichsen (Ph.D. student, University of Oklahoma)

Jacob Escobedo (Ph.D. candidate, Colorado State University)

Benjamin Fellman (Ph.D. candidate, University of Oklahoma)

Michael Hosek (Ph.D. student, University of Oklahoma)

Jeffrey Lee (Ph.D. student, University of Oklahoma)

Allie Mazurek (Ph.D. candidate, Colorado State University)

Brandon McClung (Ph.D. student, University of Oklahoma)

Samuel Varga (M.S. student, University of Oklahoma)

## PREVIOUS GRADUATE STUDENT COMMITTEES

Andrew Justin (M.S., 2024, University of Oklahoma)

# **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

\* - presentation upcoming

- "Our New Forecasting Paradigm: Artificial Intelligence." 2024 Severe Storms and Doppler Radar Conference, Central Iowa NWA Chapter, March 2024.
- "Understanding and Improving Predictability of High-Impact Weather Hazards Through the Lens of Machine Learning." American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, virtual, December 2023.
- "AI and Machine Learning in NWP: A look at Excessive Rainfall with the CSU-MLP." Winter Weather Workshop, NWS OKX WFO, virtual, November 15<sup>th</sup> 2023.
- "Machine Learning for Operational Weather Forecasting." National Weather Service Eastern Region Science Sharing Webinar, virtual, October 2023.
- "Machine Learning for Operational Weather Forecasting." National Weather Service SOO/DOH Meeting, Denver, CO, August 2023.
- "Probabilistic Predictions of Severe Weather with Machine Learning." NWS WFO Indianapolis Regional Training, virtual, April 2023.
- "Using Machine Learning to Identify Severe Weather and Excessive Rainfall Risk Areas." NWS Central Region Spring Seasonal Symposium, virtual, March/April 2023.
- "A Forest of Forecasts? Leveraging Machine Learning for High-Impact Weather Forecasting." SUNY Albany Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences, interview, March 2023.
- "A Forest of Forecasts? Leveraging Machine Learning for High-Impact Weather Forecasting." University of Oklahoma School of Meteorology, interview, March 2023.
- "Advancing High-Impact Weather Hazard Forecasting with Machine Learning." Florida State University Department of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences, interview, March 2023.
- "Moving beyond dynamics-based weather forecasting toward machine learning." University of Nebraska-Lincoln Stout Lecture, February 2023.
- "Generating probabilistic machine-learned forecasts for severe weather and excessive rainfall prediction." National Weather Service Central Region Headquarters, virtual, July 2022.
- "Learning from machines: High-impact weather forecasting with Artificial Intelligence." University of Florida Department of Geography, virtual interview, March 2021
- "Learning from machines: improving high-impact weather forecasts with Artificial Intelligence." Northern Illinois University Department of Geographic and Atmospheric Sciences, virtual interview, March 2021
- "Machine learning for convection hazard forecasts." NWS Southern Region Science and Technology Services Division Science Circle, virtual, 2020
- "Forecasting our future: machine learning and AI for high-impact weather." National Weather Association Annual Meeting, virtual, 2020
- "Statistical tools for high-impact weather." Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA, interview, 2020
- "The utility of ensemble-sensitivity analysis for targeted observing, ensemble subsetting, and investigating environmental controls on storm characteristics." Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere, Fort Collins, CO, 2018

# **OTHER PRESENTATIONS (in last 5 years)**

- \* presentation upcoming
- student advised

# ^ - won presentation award

- \*Hill, A. J. and R. S. Schumacher, 2024: Medium-Range Excessive Rainfall Prediction with Machine Learning. EGU General Assembly 2024, Vienna, Austria.
- 65. Gagne II, D. J., and **Coauthors**, 2024: Lessons Learned from Building Real-Time Machine Learning Testbeds for AI2ES. 14<sup>th</sup> Conference on Transition of Research to Operations, Baltimore, MD.
- 64. Green, M. R. L., **A. J. Hill**, and R. S. Schumacher, 2024: Understanding Training Data Components for Excessive Rainfall Machine-Learning Models: A look inside the Unified Flooding Verification System. 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual AMS Student Conference, Baltimore, MD.
- 63. ^Mazurek, A. C., R. S. Schumacher, and **A. J. Hill**, 2024: When Do Machine Learning Forecasts Succeed and Fail? Evaluating Synoptic Regimes Associated With a Random Forest's Good and Bad Severe Weather Predictions. 14th Conference on Transition of Research to Operations, Baltimore, MD.
- 62. ^Mazurek, A. C., **A. J. Hill**, R. S. Schumacher, and H. J. McDaniel, 2024: Ingredients-Based Explainability: Using Tree Interpreter to Disaggregate a Random Forest's Severe Weather Predictions. 23rd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Baltimore, MD.
- 61. Clark, A. J., K. A. Hoogewind, **A. J. Hill**, B. T. Gallo, A. Berrington, and E. D. Loken, 2023: Extended Range Machine-Learning Severe Weather Guidance Based on the Operational GEFS. 28<sup>th</sup> Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, Madison, WI.
- 60. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: How long of an observational record is needed for skillful ML-based forecasts of excessive rainfall? 32<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting, Madison, WI.
- 59. **Hill, A. J.,** D. C. Dowell, and C. C. Weiss, 2023: An Initial Assessment of Environmental Influences on QLCS-tornadogenesis from PERiLS Field Campaign Datasets and High-Resolution Simulations. 28<sup>th</sup> Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, Madison, WI.
- 58. James, E. P., R. S. Schumacher, and **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Testing random forests for prediction of excessive rainfall based on the High-Resolution Rapid Refresh (HRRR). 32<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting, Madison, WI.
- 57. ^Mazurek, A. C., **A. J. Hill**, and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Making Sense of Random Forest-Based Severe Weather Forecasts Using Tree Interpreter. 32<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting, Madison, WI.
- 56. Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, and M. Klein, 2023: How Far Into the Medium Range Can Probabilistic Excessive Rainfall Forecasts be Extended? 32<sup>nd</sup> Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting, Madison, WI.

- 55. Schumacher, R. S. and **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Sources of Forecast Errors for Extreme-Rain-Producing Mesoscale Convective Systems. 20<sup>th</sup> Conference on Mesoscale Processes, Madison, WI.
- 54. Schumacher, R. S. and **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Progress Towards Medium Range Excessive Rainfall Forecasts with the CSU-MLP. Hydrometeorology Testbed Flash Flood and Intense Rainfall Experiment Seminar Series, virtual.
- 53. Schumacher, R. S. and **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Sources of Forecast Errors for Extreme-Rain-Producing Mesoscale Convective Systems. 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Mesoscale Convective Systems, Fort Collins, CO, 10.3.
- 52. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Leveraging the Power of Machine Learning for Excessive Rainfall Forecasting. 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Mesoscale Convective Systems, Fort Collins, CO, 12.7.
- 51. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Predictions of Severe Weather with Random Forests and the Global Ensemble Forecast System. European Conference on Severe Storms.
- 50. **Hill, A. J.** and A. Mazurek, 2023: The CSU-MLP Hazardous Weather Prediction System. National Weather Service Norman Weather Forecast Office, Norman, OK.
- 49. **Hill, A. J.** and A. Mazurek, 2023: The CSU-MLP Severe Weather Prediction System. Storm Prediction Center Spring Forecaster Training, Norman, OK.
- 48. Escobedo, J. A., R. S. Schumacher, **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Investigating Colorado State University- Machine Learning Probabilities Day-1 Excessive Rainfall Forecasts in the Southwest United States During the Summer Monsoon. 37th Conference on Hydrology, Denver, CO, poster 767.
- 47. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Exploring Definitions of Excessive Rainfall when Generating Machine Learning-based Probabilistic Excessive Rainfall Forecasts from a Global Reforecast Dataset. 37th Conference on Hydrology, Denver, CO, 13B.5.
- 46. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, and I. Jirak, 2023: Understanding and Interpreting Medium-Range Predictions of Severe Weather with Random Forests. 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Denver, CO, 5A.3.
- 45. **Hill, A. J.**, V. A. Gensini, and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Medium-Range Machine Learning Forecasts for Severe Convective Storms. 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Denver, CO, 11A.3.
- 44. James, E. P., R. S. Schumacher, and **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Random forests for prediction of excessive rainfall based on the High-Resolution Rapid Refresh (HRRR). 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Denver, CO., 7B.1.

- 43. Mazurek, A., R. S. Schumacher, and **A. J. Hill**, 2023: Evaluating Random Forest-Based Predictions of Tornadoes, Wind, and Hail at Two- to Three-Day Lead Times. 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Denver, CO., 11A.2.
- 42. <u>^McDaniel, H.</u>, **A. J. Hill**, and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Investigating Predictor Importance for a Next-Day Severe Weather Hazard Machine Learning Model. 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Denver, CO, poster 893.
- 41. <u>McDaniel, H.</u>, **A. J. Hill**, and R. S. Schumacher, 2023: Investigating Predictor Importance for a Next-Day Severe Weather Hazard Machine Learning Model. 22nd Annual Student Conference, Denver, CO, poster S9.
- 40. Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, and M. Klein, 2023: How Far Into the Medium Range Can Probabilistic Excessive Rainfall Forecasts be Extended? 22nd Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, Denver, CO., 7B.5.
- 39. <u>McDaniel, H.</u>, **A. J. Hill**, and R. S. Schumacher, 2022: Investigating Predictor Importance for a Next-Day Severe Weather Hazard Machine Learning Model. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Chicago, IL, poster 392.
- 38. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, I. Jirak, 2022: Medium-Range Severe Weather Predictions with Random Forests. 30th Conference on Severe Local Storms, Santa Fe, NM, 4.1B.
- 37. Mazurek, A., R. S. Schumacher, and **A. J. Hill**, 2022: Evaluating Random Forest-Based Predictions of Tornadoes, Wind, and Hail at Two- and Three-day Lead Times. 30th Conference on Severe Local Storms, Santa Fe, NM, 7.1A.
- 36. Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, and A. Mazurek, 2022: Probabilistic Forecast Guidance for Severe Convective Storms Using GEFS Reforecasts and Machine Learning. 30th Conference on Severe Local Storms, Santa Fe, NM, 1.3.
- 35. Schumacher R. S. and **A. J. Hill**, 2022: Advancing high-impact weather prediction with machine learning. DARPA FORWARD Conference, Fort Collins, CO, poster.
- 34. Schumacher, R. S. and **A. J. Hill**, 2022: Updates and Improvements to Colorado State University-Machine Learning Probabilities Excessive Rainfall Forecasts. Hydrometeorological Testbed Flash Flood and Intense Rainfall Experiment, virtual.
- 33. **Hill, A. J.**, 2022: Probabilistic Predictions of Severe Weather with Machine Learning. Columbia, SC Weather Forecast Office Severe Weather Workshop, virtual.
- 32. Cheeseman, M., B. Ford, Z. Rosen, E. Wendt, A. J. DesRosiers, A. J. Hill, C. L'Orange, C. Quinn, M. Long, S. H. Jathar, J. Volckens, and J. R. Pierce, 2022: Neighborhood Scale Variability of Co-incident PM2.5 and AOD: Results from Citizen Enabled Aerosol Measurements for Satellites (CEAMS). 24th Conference on Atmospheric Chemistry, poster.

- 31. Escobedo, J. A., R. S. Schumacher, and **A. J. Hill**, 2022: Colorado State University Machine Learning Probabilities Day 1 Probabilistic Excessive Rainfall Forecasts: Synoptic Regimes of the Best- and Worst-Performing Forecasts. 21st Annual Student Conference, poster
- 30. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2022: Medium-range Predictions of Severe Weather with Machine Learning. 31st Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting/27th Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, J7.2.
- 29. James, E. P., **A. J. Hill**, and R. S. Schumacher, 2022: A first guess day-one Excessive Rainfall Outlook based on a skill-weighted blend of random forest prediction systems, 21st Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, poster.
- 28. Nielsen, E. R. and **A. J. Hill**, 2022: Exploring Multi-Hazard Joint Probability Forecasts Through the Lens of Tornadoes and Flash Floods. 19th Conference on Mesoscale Processes, J3.4.
- 27. Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, and I. L. Jirak, 2022: Probabilistic forecast guidance for severe convective storms using GEFS reforecasts and machine learning. 31st Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting/27th Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, J7.4.
- 26. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2021: Medium-range forecasts of hazardous weather with machine learning. 3rd NOAA Workshop on Leverage AI in Environmental Sciences, virtual.
- 25. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, and J. Escobedo, 2021: Extending predictions of hazardous weather into the medium-range with machine learning. 2nd Knowledge-guided Machine Learning Workshop, virtual, poster.
- 24. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2021: Advancing probabilistic prediction of high-impact weather using ensemble reforecasts and machine learning. National Weather Service AI Team, virtual.
- 23. **Hill, A. J.**, E. James, R. S. Schumacher, M. Klein, J. Nelson, and M. J. Erickson, 2021: CSU CAM-based First Guess Excessive Rainfall Outlook Products. Hydrometeorological Testbed Flash Flood and Intense Rainfall Experiment, virtual.
- 22. Schumacher, R. S. and A. J. Hill, 2021: Advancing Probabilistic Prediction of High-Impact Weather Using Ensemble Reforecasts and Machine Learning. UFS Webinar Series, virtual.
- 21. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2021: Medium-range severe weather forecasts with random forests, 20th Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, 3.2.

- 20. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2021: Short-term excessive rainfall forecasts using random forests and a deterministic convection-allowing model, 20th Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, joint 12.8.
- 19. Schumacher, R. S., A. J. Hill, M. Klein, J. Nelson, M. J. Erickson, and G. R. Herman, 2021: From Random Forests to Flood Forecasts: A Research to Operations Success Story, 11th Conference on Transition of Research to Operations, 14.9.
- 18. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2020: Heavy precipitation and flash flood forecasts using random forests and convection-allowing models. 30th Conference on Weather Analysis and Forecasting/26th Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, Boston, MA, J71.2.
- 17. **Hill, A. J.** and R. S. Schumacher, 2020: Random-Forest Severe Guidance from the GEFS. Storm Prediction Center Fall Forecaster Training.
- 16. **Hill, A. J.**, C. C. Weiss, and B. C. Ancell, 2020: Factors influencing ensemble sensitivity-based targeted observing predictions at convection-allowing resolutions, 24th Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Boston, MA, 10.4.
- 15. **Hill, A. J.**, C. C. Weiss, and D. C. Dowell, 2020: Assimilating near-surface observations from a portable mesoscale network of StickNet platforms during VORTEX-SE with the High Resolution Rapid Refresh Ensemble. Severe Local Storms Symposium, Boston, MA., 950
- 14. **Hill, A. J.**, R. S. Schumacher, M. Klein, J. Nelson, and M. Erickson, 2020: First-guess excessive rainfall outlooks from machine learning models. Hydrometeorological Testbed Flash Flood and Intensive Rainfall Experiment.
- 13. McDonald, J. M., C. C. Weiss, and **A. J. Hill**, 2020: Properties of cold pools observed during the VORTEX-SE: Meso18-19 field campaign. Severe Local Storms Symposium, Boston, MA., 946
- 12. Schumacher, R. S., **A. J. Hill**, G. R. Herman, M. Erickson, B. Albright, M. Klein, and J. A. Nelson Jr., 2020: If a flood falls in a (random) forest, does it get counted? Advances and challenges in predicting excessive precipitation using machine learning. 30th Conference on Weather and Forecasing / 26th Conference on Numerical Weather Prediction, Boston, MA., J71.3
- 11. Ancell, B. C., A. A. Coleman, and **A. J. Hill**, 2019: Ensemble sensitivity-based subsetting overview and evaluation activities at the 2018 NOAA HWT. European Geophysical Union General Assembly 2019, Vienna, Austria, EGU2019-2435.
- 10. Ancell, B. C., A. A. Coleman, and **A. J. Hill**, 2019: Ensemble sensitivity-based subsetting overview and evaluation activities at the 2018 NOAA HWT. 23rd Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface, Phoenix, AZ, paper 2.3A.

- 9. Weiss, C. C., E. C. Bruning, J. Dahl, and **A. J. Hill**, 2019: Texas Tech VORTEX-SE Activities. VORTEX-SE Workshop, Huntsville, AL.
- 8. Weiss, C. C., D. C. Dowell, N. Yussouf, and **A. J. Hill**, 2019: Insights into mesoscale and storm-scale predictability gained through ensemble sensitivity analysis. 23rd Conference on Integrated Observing and Assimilation Systems for the Atmosphere, Oceans, and Land Surface, Phoenix, AZ, paper 20.1.
- 7. Ancell, B. C., A. A. Coleman, and **A. J. Hill**, 2018: Ensemble sensitivity-based subsetting overview and evaluation activities at the 2018 NOAA HWT. American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting, Washington, D.C.
- 6. Ancell, B. C., A. A. Coleman, **A. J. Hill**, and C. C. Weiss, 2018: Ensemble sensitivity-based subsetting overview and evaluation activities at the 2018 NOAA HWT. 29th Conference on Severe Local Storms, Stowe, VT, paper 3A.4.
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# PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Member, AMS 31st Conference on Severe Local Storms Program Committee, present

Member, AMS Policy Program Working Group, 2024-present

Member, AMS Forecast Improvement Group Executive Committee, 2024-present

Member, AMS Scientific and Technological Activities Commission Committee on Artificial Intelligence Applications to Environmental Science, 2024-present

Member, AMS Scientific and Technological Activities Commission Committee on Weather Analysis and Forecasting, 2019-present

5-yr Strategic Planning Subcommittee, Social Media Subcommittee, Glossary Subcommittee, Mitchell Award Subcommittee Chair

Associate Editor, Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences, 2023-present

Associate Editor, Artificial Intelligence for Earth Systems, 2021-present

Associate Editor, Monthly Weather Review, 2020-present

Co-Chair, AMS 23<sup>rd</sup> Conference on Artificial Intelligence for Environmental Science, 2024

Member, AMS 32<sup>nd</sup> Conference on WAF/28<sup>th</sup> Conference on NWP/20<sup>th</sup> Conference on Mesoscale Processes Program Committee, 2023

Member, AMS 30th Conference on Severe Local Storms Program Committee, 2022

Member, Research to Operations Nexus Meetup Planning Committee, 2021-2022

Chair, AMS 31st Conference on WAF/27th Conference on NWP Program Committee, 2020 -2022

Contributor, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration White Paper on exploring ways to increase the near-term operational utility of existing observations and analysis systems, 2021

Member, AMS 30th Conference on WAF/26th Conference on NWP Program Committee, 2019-2020

Team Manager, WxChallenge Competition, Texas Tech University, 2013-2019

Member, AMS 29th Conference on WAF/25th Conference on NWP Program Committee, 2017-2018

Rapporteur, 2017 NOAA R2O meeting and 2018 AMS Community Meeting

Member, 15th AMS Student Conference Planning Committee, 2015-2016

Poster Session Subcommittee and Session Chair

Member, 14th AMS Student Conference Planning Committee, 2014-2015

Secretary, American Meteorological Society Student Chapter, Texas Tech University, 2013-2015

Reviewer, Texas Tech University Undergraduate Research Conference, 2013 and 2014

President, American Meteorological Society Student Chapter, Texas Tech University, 2012-2013

President, American Meteorological Society Student Chapter, University of Washington, 2011 -2012

Reviewer of scientific articles for:

Weather and Forecasting

Monthly Weather Review

Artificial Intelligence for Earth System

Journal of Atmospheric Sciences

Journal of Applied Meteorology and Climatology

Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society

JGR-Atmospheres

Geophysical Research Letters

Atmospheric Science Letters

Climate Dynamics

Weather and Climate Dynamics

Meteorological Applications

Energies

Journal of the Air and Waste Management Association

Journal of Operational Meteorology Atmospheric Research Review

Reviewer of scientific proposals for:

National Science Foundation National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration German Federal Ministry of Education and Research

# DEPARTMENTAL/UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Graduate Studies Committee, School of Meteorology, University of Oklahoma, 2023-present Staff Representative, Department of Atmospheric Science, Colorado State University, 2021 -2023

Colorado State University Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Program, 2022, 2023

PROmoting Geoscience Research, Education, and SuccesS (PROGRESS) Program, 2021-2022 Atmospheric Science Department Mentoring Program, 2021-2022

Student Member, Texas Tech University College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Academic Programs, 2017-2018

## **OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT**

Interview with Engineering about AI in weather forecasting. April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024.

Interview with OU Nightly about medium-range weather forecasting. April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

Interview with VOX about AI-based weather forecasting, February 21st, 2024.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hU4viZzTaRc

Interview with Scientific American regarding AI in weather forecasting, November 21st, 2023. <a href="https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/ai-weather-forecasting-cant-replace-humans-yet/">https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/ai-weather-forecasting-cant-replace-humans-yet/</a>

Interview with KNX/CBS News Radio in Los Angeles, CA to discuss the role of AI in weather forecasting, November 15th, 2023. <a href="https://omny.fm/shows/knxam-on-demand/artificial-intelligence-is-faster-and-more-accurat">https://omny.fm/shows/knxam-on-demand/artificial-intelligence-is-faster-and-more-accurat</a>

Interview with the Washington Post regarding a recent scientific article published by Google, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023. <a href="https://www.washingtonpost.com/weather/2023/11/14/weather-forecasting-artificial-intelligence-google/">https://www.washingtonpost.com/weather/2023/11/14/weather-forecasting-artificial-intelligence-google/</a>

Interview with The Coloradoan to discuss the CSU-MLP Forecasting System, March 2023, https://tinyurl.com/24c8r99k

Interview with 9News Denver to discuss the CSU-MLP Forecasting System, March 2023 Interview with KUNC to discuss recent flash-flood producing storms in Colorado, July 2021 Interview with Daily Toreador newspaper regarding severe storm research in the Texas Tech Atmospheric Sciences Group, September 2018

Interview with Texas Tech University Communications for the VORTEX-SE 2017 field program, February 2017

Interview with Alabama Public Radio for Texas Tech involvement with the VORTEX-SE field program, March 2016

Interview with Texas Tech University Climate Science Center Videos for Science series, February 2016

6th Grade Science Class, Tahoka Middle School, Tahoka, TX, Guest Speaker, 2015 Interview with Texas Living Magazine (online) regarding Texas weather, December 2015