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Verification Contractors

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Good morning Herb and Dennis

As noted in this month's contractor report, the Verification group recently released the NDFD statistics viewer to the field. This seems like a good time for me to praise the contractors who worked on this project and helped make that possible.

1. Brooke Adams - Brooke is a big reason why this project is a success. She has been generating the station verification that is being displayed in the new viewer. She has done an excellent job of processing the data, updating scripts and files, and most importantly working with others in the group to make sure that we all have the latest changes.

2. Erin Thead - My focus the last few months has been this new viewer and not the data that we feed into the previous viewer, QPFVS. This would not be possible if we didn't have Erin processing the data for QPFVS. Erin has been keeping the data flowing needed for that viewer and backfilling data when needed.

3. Guohui Wang - We have pushed a lot of data to Guohui over the past few months (we're talking terabytes of data). She has done an excellent job of getting that data into the databases and working with us when there are errors with our data.

4. Justin Wilkerson - Justin has been helping us out when he has free time from CAMPS and the Blend. He has helped us restructure our data download process to use rocoto. We have not implemented his changes yet, but now that we have the viewer ready for the field, we will soon be able to take advantage of it.

5. Gregg Legarda - Dana works closer with Gregg than I do. I do get updates from Gregg every morning in our scrum and I see the changes that he makes in the viewer. He has certainly contributed to the success of this project.

There used to be different awards that the contractors were eligible for. I remember nominating someone for a "Night on the Town" award. I'm not sure if these awards still exist or if they're on hold for COVID. If they do exist, these folks certainly deserve them.

Thanks

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