

# 2026 Current Fiscal Year Report: Space Weather Advisory Group

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**1. Department or Agency** Department of Commerce  
**2. Fiscal Year** 2026  
**3. Committee or Subcommittee** Space Weather Advisory Group  
**3b. GSA Committee No.** 84630  
**4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?** No  
**5. Current Charter** 06/05/2025  
**6. Expected Renewal Date** 06/05/2030  
**7. Expected Term Date**

**8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?**  
**8b. Specific Termination Authority**  
**8c. Actual Term Date**

**9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year** Continue  
**10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?** Not Applicable  
**10b. Legislation Pending?** Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

**12. Specific Establishment Authority** PROSWIFT Act Congress Created, PL 116-181  
**13. Effective Date** 04/21/2021  
**14. Committee Type** Continuing  
**14c. Presidential?** No

**15. Description of Committee** Scientific Technical Program Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of Reports** No Reports for this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open** 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0

## Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

	Current FY	Next FY
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00

<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18e. Total Costs</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Space Weather Advisory Group (SWAG) continues to advise the Space Weather Interagency Working Group established by the National Science and Technology Council pursuant to Section 60601(c) of title 51, United States Code. On September 26, 2024, the SWAG released the "Results of the First National Survey of User Needs for Space Weather" report to the Space Weather Interagency Working Group. Members of the SWAG also prepared and completed a briefing of the report to Congress on September 27, 2024. The report was released to

the public on September 30, 2024. New appointees for the SWAG began their term on October 1, 2024. On November 5, 2024, an administrative meeting was held for the new SWAG members to provide Federal Advisory Committee training and ethics. Further work by the SWAG will continue as directed by the Space Weather Interagency Working Group when the Space Weather Interagency Working Group is reconstituted by the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC).

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The SWAG membership selection continued to be balanced as outlined in the PROSWIFT Act with the start of the second term on October 1, 2024. Fifteen SWAG members were selected by the Space Weather Interagency Working Group with consideration given to industry perspective needs providing an appropriate range of views that represent the span of the space weather community and end-user sectors. 5 members represent the academic community; 5 members represent the commercial space weather sector; and 5 members are nongovernmental representatives of the space weather end user community.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The SWAG typically meets publicly 3 to 5 times throughout the fiscal year. The SWAG did not hold a public meeting in FY 2025 due to delays in the charter renewal and reconstitution of the Space Weather interagency working group by the NSTC.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The board is established by law. There is no other advisory committee to advise the White House space weather interagency working group.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

Not applicable

**21. Remarks**

This committee is established by law to inform the interests and work of the White House Space Weather Interagency Working Group. The advisory group shall advise the interagency working group on facilitating advances in the space weather enterprise of the United States. Space Weather Advisory Group member Seth Jonas took a position within the federal government and informed the DFO on February 25, 2025, thus that is the date his term ended.

**Designated Federal Officer**

Amy Macpherson NOAA/NWS Space Weather Program Coordinator

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Clarke, Steve	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Vice President for Landers and Spacecraft, Astrobotic Technology	Representative Member
Cohen, Ian	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Principal Professional Staff Member, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory	Representative Member
Condello, Kathryn	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Senior Director, National Security/Emergency Preparedness, Lumen Technologies	Representative Member
Dickinson, Tamara	10/01/2021	09/30/2027	President, Science Matter Consulting	Representative Member

Draeger, Kathryn	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Department of Agronomy and Plant Genetics, University of Minnesota	Representative Member
Griffin, Terry	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Professor and Precision Agriculture Economist, Kansas State University	Representative Member
Keys, Catherine	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Maxar Space Systems	Representative Member
Mehta, Piyush	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Associate Professor of Space Systems, West Virginia University	Representative Member
Tobiska, Kent	10/01/2021	09/30/2027	President, Space Environment Technologies	Representative Member
Vaught, Laura	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Vice President of Federal Affairs, Dominion Energy Services	Representative Member
Welling, Daniel	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Assistant Professor, Department of Climate and Space, University of Michigan	Representative Member
Wiltberger, Michael	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Deputy Director, NCAR/High Altitude Observatory	Representative Member
Zimmerman, Elizabeth	10/01/2024	09/30/2027	Senior Executive Advisor, Innovative Emergency Management	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 13**

### **Narrative Description**

The SWAG shall advise the Space Weather Interagency Working Group established by the National Science and Technology Council pursuant to Section 60601(c) of title 51, United States Code. This advice will inform the interests and work of the interagency working group. The advisory group shall advise the interagency working group on the following: a. Facilitating advances in the space weather enterprise of the United States; b. Improving the ability of the United States to prepare for, mitigate, respond to, and recover from space weather phenomena; c. Enabling the coordination and facilitation of research to operations and operations to research, as described in section 60604(d) of title

51, United States Code; and d. Developing and implementing the integrated strategy under section 60602 of title 51, United States Code, including subsequent updates and reevaluations. (Released by the White House Space Weather Subcommittee in December 2023)

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

Not applicable.

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

	Checked if Applies
None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Cost Savings Comments**

SWAG recommendations could result in efficiencies and cost savings to government, but

these are not possible to quantify.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

169

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

No recommendations were made in FY25 because the SWAG did not hold a public meeting in FY 2025.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

The SWAG is managed by NOAA but advises the White House Space Weather Interagency Working Group. The Space Weather Interagency Working Group will respond to the recommendations given by the SWAG in the "Results of the First National Survey of User Needs for Space Weather" report released on September 26, 2024.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

The SWAG is managed by NOAA but advises the White House Space Weather Interagency Working Group. The Space Weather Interagency Working Group will respond to the recommendations.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes  No  Not Applicable

**Agency Feedback Comments**

There is no requirement in the PROSWIFT Act for the interagency working group to provide feedback through formal letters. As appropriate, the SWAG chair and the interagency working group co-chairs will have discussions on feedback. If any feedback is given, it will be posted on [weather.gov/swag](http://weather.gov/swag)

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation
- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

**Action Comments**

Not applicable

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

Not applicable.

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

**Access Comments**

Not applicable.