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## ERC BROADBAND HOSTS AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE CLIMATOLOGISTS WEBSITE

ASHEVILLE, North Carolina – May 13, 2009 – ERC Broadband and the American Association of State Climatologists (AASC) announced today that the association's website is now being hosted by ERC Broadband.

"ERC's data center and partnership with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration created the ideal environment for us to partner with the AASC," said Hunter Goosmann, General Manager of ERC Broadband. "We have been committed to supporting NOAA and climate for years. Expanding that support to directly include the state climatologists is a very natural step."

"The transition to ERC Broadband was seamless," said Nolan Doesken, the President of AASC and Colorado State Climatologist. "ERC Broadband is providing excellent support. This is very important for our organization, as our website is one of the important ways we collaborate with each other and our federal partners."

The AASC website can be found on the web at <http://www.stateclimate.org/>.

### **ERC Broadband**

ERC Broadband ([www.ercbroadband.org](http://www.ercbroadband.org)) works to expand communities throughout Western Carolina through the build-out and expansion of broadband and data storage infrastructure. ERC Broadband actively supports local communities and government with their wide-area networking, as well as expanding community understanding of how to apply technology wisely, leading to expanded economic development opportunities. ERC's focus is in the areas of government, education, and healthcare.

### **American Association of State Climatologists**

AASC ([www.stateclimate.org](http://www.stateclimate.org)) members are climate experts, research scientists and educators within their states. They rely on high quality, long term data to



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describe and explore climate and its impacts. They work closely with other climate services partners including the National Climatic Data Center, Regional Climate Centers and the National Weather Service, to provide credible and timely climate information.

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