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Ankur Desai, chair of the UW-Madison Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences Department, worries that the Trump administration's plan to close the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Colorado will have long-term impact on UW-Madison's climate research.

Climate research in peril

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But a plan from President Donald Trump's administration to shutter the center puts his work, and research from dozens of other faculty and students in



UW-Madison graduate student Rudra Thaker says the NCAR supercomputer gives him access to data that couldn't otherwise be stored at UW-Madison.

Wisconsin, at risk.
 “On this floor, I think more than half of the people rely heavily on NCAR,” Thaker said.

Established in 1960, the center says it provides "state-of-the-art resources, including supercomputers, research

"A comprehensive review is underway & any vital activities such as weather research will be moved to another entity or location," Vought wrote.

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Scope of DOJ probe shown

MIAMI HERALD

The files also include tips that the FBI and Justice Department received about possible wrongdoing by Donald Trump and other Epstein associates.

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Powerball jackpot up to \$1.7B

OLIVIA DIAZ
Associated Press

Powerball's odds of 1 in 292.2 million are designed to generate big jackpots, with prizes growing as they roll over when no one wins. Lottery officials note that

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