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Subject: Updated: Soliciting Comments through April 15, 2022, on the Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index from NWS Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) Baltimore/Washington, DC, State College, PA, and Wakefield, VA

Updated to extend the comment period until April 15, 2022.

WFOs Baltimore/Washington, DC, State College, PA, and Wakefield, VA are soliciting comments on the Experimental Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index through April 15, 2022. The purpose of this experimental product is to graphically display the location and level of potential winter storm threats in the Days 3-7 time period. This threat level will combine winter precipitation probabilities and potential impact.

The experimental Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index graphic builds upon data generated by experimental Winter Weather Outlooks produced by the NWS Weather Prediction Center (WPC), and serves to both compliment and inform the existing and future NWS winter suite of products. Comments collected regarding the experimental Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat Index will serve to inform future agency winter weather impact products which will replace this experimental version.

The graphic will be available as an experimental product 24 hours a day/seven days a week through April 15, 2022. It will be updated at least twice daily at 0900 and 2100 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), and as needed. Real-time access to the Days 3-7 Winter Storm Threat product will be obtained through each WFOs winter webpages:

https://www.weather.gov/akq/winter
https://www.weather.gov/ctp/winter
https://www.weather.gov/lwx/winter

Additional information and an example of the experimental product are provided at the link below:

https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/PDD ExpDays37WinterStormThreatIndex 2021.pdf

Comments may be submitted via the survey link below. The link will also be provided on the participating NWS WFO websites:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ExpWinterStormThreatIndex 2021

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