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Subject:  Soliciting Comments on Discontinuing the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate Text Product through November 23, 2020

The NWS is accepting public comments until November 23, 2020, on a proposal to discontinue the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate text product produced by the National Hurricane Center. This product provides, on an event-driven basis, a tabular depiction of satellite rainfall estimated from tropical cyclones and pre-tropical cyclone disturbances. The product primarily was intended to provide forecast centers in the Caribbean, Mexico, and Central America better satellite based estimates for significant rainfall events.

You can find more information about the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate text product at:  
https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/abouttafbprod.shtml#SRE

An example of the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate text product can be found at:  
https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/text/MIAWRKRNA.shtml

This product was conceived at a time when satellite imagery and model analyses for precipitation were not as readily available as they are today. Users of the product can now access graphical satellite rainfall estimates from the National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS) at:  
https://www.ospo.noaa.gov/Products/atmosphere/spe/

Model analyses of rainfall can be found at the NWS Model Analysis and Guidance site at:  
https://mag.ncep.noaa.gov

If feedback supports this change, a Service Change Notice will be sent before terminating the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate text product. Please submit comments regarding the proposal to:
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