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Subject: Soliciting Public Comments through November 19, 2021
 on Replacing the Observational Content of the Current
 Post Tropical Cyclone Report (PSH) Text Product with a
 Comma-Separated Values (CSV) File

The National Weather Service (NWS) is soliciting public comments through November 19, 2021 on a proposed new format for providing observational information after a tropical cyclone event. Currently, the Post Tropical Cyclone Report (PSH) text product provides observational information associated with a tropical cyclone event and is issued by each Weather Forecast Office (WFO) that issued land-based tropical cyclone hazards during the event. The NWS is proposing to change the format of the observational information to a comma-separated values (CSV) file to better meet the needs of users who wish to more readily query the data.

A detailed description of the contents of the current PSH text product can be found in NWS Instruction 10-601, Section 1.6:

<https://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/sym/pd01006001curr.pdf>

An example of the current PSH text product format can be found here:

<https://www.weather.gov/source/chs/PSHLIX.txt>

The data from the sample PSH product linked above was used to create the example of the experimental version of the PSH in CSV format found here (the file will auto-download when the user clicks on this link):

https://www.weather.gov/source/chs/PSHLIX_AL032020-Cristobal.csv

Comments are being solicited on the CSV format file provided above. The CSV format was chosen because it is easily imported into spreadsheet software, and it can be readily parsed.

Please submit your feedback by November 19, 2021 on this proposed change to the format of the PSH to:

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