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Subject: Soliciting Comments through October 30, 2021 on Terminating the
 Legacy Wang Sheeley Arge Website at the Space Weather Prediction
 Center

The NWS is accepting public comments until October 30, 2021, on a proposal to terminate the legacy Wang Sheeley Arge (WSA) website at the Space Weather Prediction Center (SWPC). This webpage provides graphics of the predicted solar wind speed and interplanetary magnetic field polarity at Earth and is located at:

<https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/wsa-legacy>

These products are driven by the legacy WSA model that is run locally at SWPC. This version of the WSA model is a predecessor to the version that is run on the NWS Weather and Climate Operational Supercomputer System (WCOSS) as a part of the WSA-Enlil model system.

The legacy version of the WSA model is no longer supported to run on newer versions of NWS computer operating systems and is now a security risk; therefore, SWPC will cease using this version in November 2021. At that time, the two legacy products hosted on this website will cease to be available. SWPC has no set time frame for when these products will be available from the WCOSS version of WSA but it is expected by the end of 2023. Users can access products from the WCOSS version of WSA at this website:

<https://www.swpc.noaa.gov/products/wsa-enlil-solar-wind-prediction>

If feedback supports this change, the NWS will send a Service Change Notice before terminating this website.

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