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From: Robyn Heffernan, Acting Chief
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Subject: Weather Forecast Office (WFO) Guam to Produce Experimental Public and Marine Grids for East and West Micronesia for Inclusion into the National Digital Forecast Database: Effective March 29, 2022

On or about March 30, 2022, at 12 am Chamorro Standard Time (ChST), or March 29, 2022 at 1400 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the National Weather Service (NWS) in Tiyan, Guam (GUM) will expand the gridded public and marine forecast data to east and west Micronesia for inclusion into the National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD). The experimental grids will be available for download in GRIB2 format via both https: and ftp: from the NWS Telecommunications Gateway FTP (TGFTP) server on or after March 29, 2022 at:

<https://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/ST.expr/DF.gr2/DC.ndfd/AR.micrones/>

Visualization of these data will be available on an experimental NDFD map viewer at:

<https://digital.mdl.nws.noaa.gov>

This product will be issued through April 1, 2023. At the end of the experimental time period, a decision will be made whether or not to make the expanded product operational in NDFD.

A description of the concept of expanded gridded forecasts across Micronesia, product examples, and requirements explanation can be found at the following link:

[https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/PDD_ExpEast West MicronesiaGrids NDFD 2022-2023.pdf](https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/PDD_ExpEast_West_MicronesiaGrids_NDFD_2022-2023.pdf)

Input on the expanded gridded forecasts across Micronesia are requested from the emergency management community and all users:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/EastWestMicronesidaGridstoNDFD_Exp2022

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