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Subject: Public Comment Period for the Discontinuation of NWS Honolulu's Route Forecast May 2 - June 30, 2022

National Weather Service (NWS) Honolulu proposes discontinuing its route forecast (ROFOR) and is soliciting comments beginning May 2, 2022 and ending June 30, 2022, seeking feedback from anyone who may still use these ROFORs.

NWS Honolulu, in its capacity as a meteorological watch office designated by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), issues ROFORS daily for routes from Honolulu to San Francisco, CA and from Honolulu to Santa Barbara, CA. The ROFOR product provides flight level wind, temperature, clouds and weather forecast information.

The Aviation Weather Center (AWC) provides duplicate information and more detailed forecasts that are superior to the current text-based ROFOR forecast product.

The AWC Graphical Forecasts for Aviation are available at:

## http://aviationweather.gov/gfa

Please submit comments regarding the discontinuation of the ROFOR at:

## w-hfo.aviation@noaa.gov

Additionally, in Amendment 74 to Annex 3 of International Standards and Recommended Practices, the ICAO removed the requirement for the provision of ROFORs.

The ROFOR is issued under the following Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System (AWIPS) Product Identifier and World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Identifier (ID):

AWIPS Identifier WMO Heading Geographic Descriptor
RFRKSF FRPN31 PHFO Honolulu to San Francisco
Honolulu to Santa Barbara

Alternative sources of information provided by our partners in the Weather, Water, and Climate Enterprise are available at:

https://www.weather.gov/enterprise/

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