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Subject: Tropical Cyclone Watch/Warning Product (TCV) Collaboration
 Testing May 26, 2022

The National Weather Service's (NWS) Weather Prediction Center (WPC), Ocean Prediction Center (OPC), and Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) in Houston/Galveston, TX and Shreveport, LA will proceed with internal software and hardware testing of the National Tropical Cyclone Watch/Warning (TCV) product collaboration process May 26, 2022. Test activities are expected to be conducted between 1400 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) and 1600 UTC. Tuesday, June 7, and Thursday, June 9, 2022 are designated backup days.

The National TCV product contains a summary of collaborated wind and/or storm surge watches and warnings, depicted by NWS-defined geographic zones. Internal TCV test products are not intended to be released externally through NWS dissemination and communication systems. The text products affected by collaboration testing are the National TCV products issued under the following AWIPS Product Identifiers (PIL) and World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Identifiers (ID):

TCV Product	AWIPS PIL	WMO ID
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Preliminary TCV	PTCAT/1-5/	WTNT/81-85/ KNHC
National TCV	TCVAT/1-5/	WTNT/81-85/ KNHC

In addition, the following National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) elements will be created for this test:

- Tropical cyclone wind probabilities (incremental and cumulative) for 34 kt, 50 kt, and 64 kt
- Hazard grid (including tropical storm, hurricane, and storm surge hazards)

While unlikely, there is a slight chance that the tropical expressions of uncertainty (i.e., "Tropical Storm Conditions Likely", "Hurricane Conditions Possible") could unintentionally appear on weather.gov Point and Click forecast pages temporarily because this test includes the internal creation of tropical wind speed probabilities.

The NWS will continue periodic internal tropical software testing during

the remainder of this hurricane season as needed.

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