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Subject: Updated: NWS Hazard Simplification (Haz Simp) Project:
Reformatting NWS Non-Precipitation Weather Hazard Products: Effective
September 24, 2019

Updated to correct Product Description Document linked at:
https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/PDD_NPW_HazSimp.pdf

Effective Tuesday, September 24, 2019, the NWS will implement the reformatting of Non-Precipitation Weather (NPW) Hazard Products. All current and proposed products would be reformatted into a "What," "Where," "When," "Impacts" information format. Impacts will be displayed below the What, Where, When information with "Precautionary/Preparedness Actions" listed below the Impacts for each product. NWS Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) also will have an option to include "Additional Details" below the Impacts and above the Precautionary/Preparedness.

If a WFO has issued active NPW hazards on September 24, 2019, the office will start reformat after those hazards have ended. WFOs that do not have active NPW hazards in effect on this date will implement the change September 24, 2019.

A public survey on proposed reformatting and consolidation of these hazard products closed on June 15, 2018. See Public Information Statement 18-11 below:
https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdfs/pns18-11npw_hazsimp.pdf

With over 5,000 responses, there was strong approval for reformatting (76 percent) of products. Consolidation and renaming of NWP products will be announced at a later date.

Users can find additional information regarding the product reformatting in the Product Description Document (PDD):
https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/PDD_NPW_HazSimp.pdf

For more information on the Haz Simp project:
<http://www.weather.gov/hazardsimplification/>

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