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Subject: Updated: Adjusting Issuance Times for Oceanic Gridded Marine
Offshore and High Seas Forecasts in NDFD: Effective on or about December
10, 2019

Updated to change effective date to December 10, 2019.

Effective on or about Tuesday, December 10, 2019, at 1610 Coordinated
Universal Time (UTC), the National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) will
increase the frequency of issuance times for gridded forecasts of marine
elements over Atlantic and Pacific offshore waters and high seas forecast
areas.

NWS will issue grids for forecast days 1-3 at approximately 01:20 UTC,
04:20 UTC, 07:20 UTC, 10:20 UTC, 13:20 UTC, 16:20 UTC, 19:20 UTC and
22:20 UTC. This change increases the grid issuance frequency for days 1-
3 from every six hours to every three hours. Grids for forecast days 4-6
will remain the same at approximately 04:20 UTC, 10:20 UTC, 16:20 UTC and
22:20 UTC.

This change will affect files for the NDFD Oceanic domain. Gridded
forecasts for the NDFD Oceanic domain, both operational and experimental,
can be found at the following locations:

The links to the grid files are at:

<ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/ST.opnl/DF.gr2/DC.ndfd/AR.oceanic/VP.001-003/>
<ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/ST.opnl/DF.gr2/DC.ndfd/AR.oceanic/VP.004-007/>

and

<http://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/ST.opnl/DF.gr2/DC.ndfd/AR.oceanic/VP.001-003/>
<http://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/ST.opnl/DF.gr2/DC.ndfd/AR.oceanic/VP.004-007/>

More details regarding these elements are available at:

<https://ocean.weather.gov/>

and

<https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

Graphics for the oceanic grid are available via the NDFD web page:

<https://digital.weather.gov/>

General information on using NDFD elements is online at:

https://www.weather.gov/mdl/ndfd_info

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