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Subject: Discontinuing the OPC Marine Weather Discussion (MIM)
Effective 2200 UTC April 29, 2021

The NWS National Centers for Environmental Prediction's (NCEP) Ocean Prediction Center (OPC) will be discontinuing the Marine Weather Discussion (MIM) text product with the last issuance of the product on Thursday, April 29, 2021 around 2200 UTC. There were only four comments received during a feedback period between February 10, 2021, and March 12, 2021. The majority of comments did not object to termination.

Synopses found in offshore forecasts and forecasts designed for U.S. Coast Guard broadcast, such as the NAVTEX and VOBRA, will contain information about basic weather features and all of the warning information which was found in the MIM.

In terminating the MIM, OPC forecasters will focus more effort on providing impact-based decision support services for core users and partners.

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