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Subject:      Addition of GOES-West Fog and Low Stratus Data Product for the  
              West CONUS / PACUS Sector to the Satellite Broadcast Network  
              (SBN) on or after October 18, 2021

Effective on or after October 18, 2021, the Geostationary Operational  
Environmental Satellite-West (GOES-West) derived Fog and Low Stratus (FLS)  
Product for the West CONUS / PACUS sector will be added to the SBN. This  
product estimates fog depth and the probability of reduced aviation  
visibility (Marginal Visual Flight Rules, Instrument Flight Rules, and Low  
Instrument Flight Rules), as summarized in the following fact sheet:

<https://vlab.noaa.gov/web/towr-s/goes-16-fog-and-low-stratus>

The WMO header, approximate hourly product count, and volume for the GOES-  
17 FLS are as follows:

WMO ID	ABI Sector	Hourly Count	Hourly Volume
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IXTE89 KNES	West CONUS / PACUS	12/hour	37 MBytes/hour

This product will go on the GOES-West (GRW) channel of the SBN (Port 1210,  
PID 107).

Critical weather or other factors may delay the activation of this product  
onto the SBN.

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