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Subject: Transition of the Radiosonde Replacement System (RRS) to the 403 MHz Manual Radiosonde Observation System (MROS) at Nine Upper Air Sites in January 2022

The National Weather Service will convert nine Upper Air sites to Manual Radiosonde Observation System (MROS) 403 MHz operations in January 2022. Transition will occur on or about the MROS Start date indicated.

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During the transition period of up to 30 days, dual radiosonde flights may be performed until the MROS is declared operational for the regularly scheduled observations of 00Z and 12Z.

For additional information on the message requirements, see WMO 306 Manual on Codes (International Codes):

- Volume I.1 Part A - Alphanumeric Codes
- Volume I.2 Part B - Binary Codes
- Volume II Regional Codes and National Coding Practices (WMO Region IV)

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