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Subject: Soliciting Feedback through June 26, 2025 on the
Potential Retirement of the Model Analysis and Guidance (MAG)
Website.

The National Weather Service (NWS) is modernizing its dissemination services, including updating and consolidating disparate dissemination applications into more modern, scalable and useful services. As part of this process, the NWS is soliciting comments through June 26, 2025 on the potential retirement of the Model Analysis and Guidance (MAG) website. The NWS would continue to provide model guidance in the native GRIB or NETCDF format, but would no longer provide post-processed imagery via an animated platform.

The MAG is currently available via the following URLs:

<https://mag.ncep.noaa.gov>
<https://mageval.ncep.noaa.gov/>

Users are encouraged to explore the following alternatives:

- 1) Use commercially available websites to view NWS model guidance presented via animated imagery.
- 2) Retrieve the model data via NOMADS (<https://nomads.ncep.noaa.gov/>) and create their own visualization. The NWS is providing the code used to create the images on the MAG websites. This code is being provided as a reference and does not come with any guarantees or support. To access the MAG code, browse to the link below and look for the folder that begins with "mag.v". The folder name consists of "mag.v" followed by the current version number. At the time of this writing, the current MAG version number is 5.2.0 and the folder name is "mag.v5.2.0".

<https://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/codes/nwprod/>

Feedback on the potential retirement of the MAG webpages can be provided via email to the following address:

nws.webfeedback@noaa.gov

Users may also complete the feedback form available at the following address:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/termMAGWebsites>

National Public Information Statements are online at:

<https://www.weather.gov/notification/>

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