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Subject: Soliciting comments through February 10, 2026 on the proposed discontinuance of the 36-hour wind and wave forecast for a small portion of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

The National Weather Service (NWS) National Hurricane Center's (NHC) Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch (TAFB) is soliciting comments through February 10, 2026 on a proposal to discontinue the 36-hour wind/wave forecast which is only currently available from TAFB for a relatively small portion of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

Discontinuation of the product aligns with the NWS goal to transform National Marine Operations to a distributed, unified, and seamless delivery of marine services to mariners. This transformation aims to, among other things, improve the consistency and integration of marine operations to advance life and property saving services at sea and increase the resilience of the nation's global supply chains.

The NWS's National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) provides graphical forecasts of winds, wind gusts, wave heights, and other weather-based hazards over the oceanic domain. 36-hour forecasts for winds and waves will be available through the NDFD. Forecast information from the NDFD can be found at:

<https://vlab.noaa.gov/web/mdl/ndfd>

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