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Subject: Temporary Suspension of Ocean Prediction Center's 72- and 96-
hour surface graphical products effective June 1, 2026

Effective Monday, June 1, 2026, the National Weather Service (NWS)'s
Ocean Prediction Center (OPC) is temporarily suspending its 72- and 96-
hour surface forecast graphical products.

This temporary suspension is necessary for developmental improvements
advancing seamless marine weather services across NWS. Meanwhile, 72- and
96-hour wind and wave graphical products will continue to be produced
from the NWS's National Digital Forecast Database
(NDFD) (<https://digital.weather.gov>) for decision support and heavy
weather avoidance. Alternatively, the NDFD can be accessed for graphical
forecasts of winds, wind gusts, wave heights, and other weather-based
hazards over the oceanic domain.

Table 1: Products being temporarily suspended effective June 1, 2026

Product Name	WMO Heading
72hr Atlantic SFC Forecast VT12Z	PPAK98 KWNM
72hr Pacific SFC Forecast VT12Z	PPBK98 KWNM
72hr AK SFC Forecast VT12Z	PPCK98 KWNM
96hr Atlantic SFC Forecast VT12Z	PWAM99 KWNM
96hr Pacific SFC Forecast VT12Z	PWBM99 KWNM
96hr AK SFC Forecast VT12Z	<none>

The NWS is committed to delivering timely, accurate, and impactful
weather and water services to protect lives and property and enhance the
national economy.

This temporary suspension is necessary due to the urgency of meeting
higher short-term organizational and stakeholder priorities. The NWS will
continue to keep the public informed about significant changes through
Public Information Statements, while providing as much lead time as
possible.

We always value feedback on our critical products and services.

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