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Subject: Temporary Suspension of the issuance of Atlantic and Eastern Pacific Tropical Weather Discussion (TWD) products Effective December 1, 2026

Effective December 1, 2026, the National Hurricane Center (NHC) will temporarily suspend the issuance of the Tropical Weather Discussion (TWD) products for the Atlantic and Eastern Pacific basins. The TWD describes major synoptic weather features in the tropics.

Note, the Tropical Weather Discussion (TWD) is a different product than the Tropical Weather Outlook (TWO), which discusses the potential for tropical cyclone development during the next 7 days. The Atlantic and eastern North Pacific basin TWOs will continue to be issued 4 times per day as normal through November 30, 2026 with special TWOs issued as needed between December 1 and May 15, 2027.

As the National Weather Service (NWS) continues its transformation, this pause is required to support developmental enhancements to the Tropical Weather Discussion (TWD) products. Issuance of the TWD products is expected to resume on or about May 3, 2027. Prior to resumption, an advance notice will be issued to detail any updates to the products' format or content.

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

Product Name	WMO Heading
Tropical Weather Discussion - Atlantic (TWDAT)	AXNT20 KNHC
Tropical Weather Discussion- Eastern Pacific (TWDEP)	AXPZ20 KNHC

An example of the current Tropical Weather Discussion can be found at the following URL, however, some changes to the product are possible in 2027:

https://www.nhc.noaa.gov/abouttafbprod.shtml#TWD

The Tropical Weather Discussion issued by the NWS Weather Forecast Office in Guam (TWDPQ) will not be affected by this temporary suspension.

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact:

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https://www.weather.gov/notification

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