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Subject: Discontinuing 36-hour wind and wave forecast for a small portion of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans effective April 23, 2026.

Effective with the 1200 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) April 23, 2026 issuance, the National Weather Service (NWS) National Hurricane Center's (NHC) Tropical Analysis and Forecast Branch (TAFB) will discontinue the 36-hour wind/wave forecast.

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 (<https://digital.weather.gov/>). Forecast information from the NDFD can be found at: <https://vlab.noaa.gov/web/mdl/ndfd>

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