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Subject: NOAA's Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and
Services will Update Sea Level Information for Water Level Stations
Beginning October 01, 2026

Effective on Thursday, October 1, 2026, NOAA's Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) will change the sea level trend information provided for water level stations with at least thirty years of data into a new product. The legacy sea level trend product that provides a single rate of change across the full history of observations will be discontinued on October 1, 2026.

Users will now see:

- The total amount of sea level change for the full period of record,
- The amount of change since the most recent National Tidal Datum Epoch (NTDE 1983-2001),
- The rate of change since the midpoint of the last NTDE (July 1992), and
- 30-year variations in sea levels.

The new sea level products are currently being made available via a beta website integrating Sea Level and Extreme Water Level data products, <https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/trends-and-extremes/index.html> .

Users of the legacy CO-OPS sea level change information available at <https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/sltrends/> should update their bookmarks to: <https://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/trends-and-extremes/index.html> starting on October 1, 2026.

Additionally, all sea level data and products will be available through the CO-OPS Derived Product APIs. <https://api.tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/dpapi/prod/>

Any questions, comments, or requests should be directed to the contacts below.

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