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NATIONAL TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION MESSAGE 97-20
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
400 PM EDT MON MAY 5 1997

TO: NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
FAMILY OF SERVICE /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: REDUCTIONS IN SERVICES FROM THE NWS CLIMATE PREDICTION
CENTER...EFFECTIVE JULY 1 1997 AND OCTOBER 1 1997

DUE TO BUDGET CUTS AND PERSONNEL REDUCTIONS...THE CLIMATE PREDICTION
CENTER /CPC/ IN CAMP SPRINGS MARYLAND WILL NO LONGER SUPPORT CERTAIN
SERVICES AS DESCRIBED BELOW.

ON JULY 1 1997...THE CPC WILL NO LONGER MAINTAIN SOFTWARE THAT ALLOWS
CUSTOMERS OF CPC LONG-LEAD FORECASTS TO CONVERT FROM OUTLOOK PROBABILITIES
OF CATEGORIES /E.G...ABOVE NORMAL...BELOW NORMAL/ TO PROBABILITIES OF
SPECIFIC TEMPERATURE/RAINFALL OUTCOMES...RANGES OF OUTCOMES OR EXTREMES
EXPRESSED IN UNITS OF INCHES OF RAINFALL OR DEGREES OF TEMPERATURE AT
SPECIFIC SITES.

ON OCTOBER 1 1997...THE CPC WILL ELIMINATE THE NWS CLIMATE DIAL-UP SERVICE
/CDUS/ COMPONENT OF THE FAMILY OF SERVICES. USERS WILL BE ABLE TO ACCESS
MOST CDUS PRODUCTS THROUGH THE INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://NIC.FB4.NOAA.GOV](http://NIC.FB4.NOAA.GOV)

BY "CLICKING" ON "ANALYSIS AND MONITORING" ON THIS CPC HOMEPAGE AND
SELECTING "CLIMATE MONITORING /TABLE/TEXTS/" FROM THE MENU.

IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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