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Subject: Soliciting comments between September 15, 2012 and
September 15, 2012 on the experimental NWS Hydrologic
Short-term Meteorological Model-based Ensemble
Forecasting System

From September 15, 2011, to September 15, 2012, NWS is seeking
comments on the second version of the experimental NWS
hydrologic short-term (0-7 days) meteorological model-based
ensemble forecasting system(MMEFS). During this experimental
period, MMEFS information will be generated by the following
River Forecast Centers (RFC):

Northeast RFC
Middle Atlantic RFC
Ohio RFC
Southeast RFC.

The MMEFS uses the temperature and precipitation output from the
National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) Global
Ensemble Forecast System, Short Range Ensemble Forecasts, and
the North American Ensemble Forecast System. These ensemble
member outputs and the current hydrologic model are run through
the RFC Ensemble Streamflow Prediction System to generate a
number of possible river forecast outcomes. These outcomes are
turned into short-term probabilistic forecasts and graphics are
generated using the "R" graphics software.

A new Google-based overview map displays the entire East Coast
of the United States and also provides improved location
selection capabilities. MMEFS supplements the operational river
forecasts available online at:

<http://water.weather.gov/ahps/>

The MMEFS web pages are available online at:

<http://www.erh.noaa.gov/mmefs/index.php>

You may obtain more information on this product on Page 2 of the experimental products listing:

<http://products.weather.gov/>

For questions concerning this product, please contact:

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