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Subject: Comments Requested Starting April 1, 2013, on
Modification of Severe Convective Warnings and
Associated Follow-Up Statements to Emphasize Impacts
Intensity, and Recommended Actions via Bulleted
Messaging and Coded Tag Lines

Beginning Monday, April 1, 2013 and continuing through November 30, 2013, all Central Region (CR) NWS Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) will issue enhanced convective warnings. Severe Thunderstorm Warning (SVR), Tornado Warning (TOR) and Severe Weather Statement (SVS) products will be stratified into categories distinguishing extreme cases from base convective warnings. Additional enhanced wording will be included to convey information about associated impacts, specific hazards expected, and recommended actions, both within the bullet statements and as part of the tag line codes.

This is a continuation and expansion to all CR WFOs of an on-going project:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/notification/pns12exp_cr_tor_svr_svs-cca.txt

The CR offices participating in this enhanced product project are on line at:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/notification/resources/cr_wfos.pdf

A Product Description Document (PDD) outlining the products is online at:

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

Please submit comments to:

<http://www.weather.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=IBW>

After experimental period is completed and the comment period closes, NWS will evaluate all comments to determine whether implement the enhanced convective products.

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