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Subject: Soliciting Public Comments through April 26, 2013 on the Removal of NCEP's Legacy Radar Graphics

The National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) is seeking comments through April 26, 2013, on a proposal to stop producing the legacy radar summary and radar legend graphics.

The radar summary is a graphical depiction of the areal coverage of radar echoes. The radar legend has echo tops and bases, precipitation type, direction of precipitation movement, and echo areal coverage with contours of intensities of radar echoes for Video Integrator and Processor (VIP) levels 1, 3 and 5. These radar products are disseminated via NOAAPort as Redbook graphics. The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) headers are PAWO82 KWBC and PAWO83 KWBC.

Examples of these products are available at:

http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/changes/docs/radarsummaryGIF.gif
http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/changes/docs/radarsummary.pdf

Radar information is available from multiple sources, including the NWS Doppler Radar National Mosaic page at:

http://www.weather.gov/Radar

and also at the Aviation Weather Center's website at:

http://www.aviationweather.gov/obs/radar

NWS will evaluate all comments to determine whether to proceed with this change. If approved, NWS will send a Technical Implementation Notice giving 30 days' notice of the implementation date.

Send comments on this proposal to:

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https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive

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