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Subject: Soliciting Comments until September 30, 2014, on
Experimental Enhanced Format Red Flag Warnings (RFW)

NWS is accepting comments through September 30, 2014, on an
experimental, bulleted Red Flag Warning (RFW):

www.nws.noaa.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=expbulletedRFW

Starting Friday, November 1, 2013, at 0600 Coordinated Universal
Time (UTC), five NWS Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) will issue
an experimental bulleted RFW throughout the 2013–2014 fire
weather season:

Billings, MT (BYZ), Western Region
Albuquerque, NM (ABQ), Southern Region
El Paso, TX (EPZ), Southern Region
Midland/Odessa, TX (MAF), Southern Region
Lubbock, TX (LUB)/Southern Region

The experimental RFW format moves the weather threat, reason for
issuance and affected area from the main headline to several easy
to read bullets immediately below the headline. Using this bullet
format of the RFW, NWS can simplify the headline while still
providing essential details about the threat. These changes will
make the RFW easier to read and understand.

An example of the experimental bulleted RFW and the Product
Description Document (PDD) are available online at:

http://products.weather.gov/PDD/Enhanced%20RFW%20Bullet%20Format%20-%20National%20PDD_9_13.pdf

At the end of the comment period, NWS will review comments to
determine if this product should be made available nationwide.

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