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Subject: Amended: Soliciting Comments until July 31, 2015, on the Experimental Model Spread/Spectrum

Amended to extend comment period through July 31, 2015.

Corrected to specify only those CONUS WFOs depicted on the experimental Enhanced Data Display web site are participating in this phase of the experimental Model Spread/Spectrum.

The NWS is accepting comments until July 31, 2015, on the experimental Model Spread/Spectrum.

The experimental Model Spread/Spectrum provides a more complete picture of the weather forecast by showing the range of model possibilities. The variability of the models is related to the amount of confidence in a forecast. A low model spread generally means higher confidence, while a large model spread implies lower confidence. You can use this product to make a more informed decision. There are also options to choose the NWS forecast if you feel uncomfortable with your interpretation.

The experimental Model Spread/Spectrum is available online only for those CONUS Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs) depicted on the experimental Enhanced Data Display (EDD) at:

http://preview.weather.gov/edd

The button labeled Model Spread can be found under the Quick Layers menu on the left hand side.

More information regarding the experimental Model Spread/Spectrum is available online at:

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

Please submit comments to the following link:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=NPQRMS

Comments will be collected until July 31, 2015. At that time, the NWS will evaluate feedback to determine whether to transition the Model Spread/Spectrum to operational status as a National Product, discontinue it, or revise and extend the experimental feedback period.

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