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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 04-26
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
250 PM EDT TUE APR 20 2004

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/
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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE
CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: ATLANTIC AND EAST PACIFIC TROPICAL WEATHER DISCUSSION FORMAT
CHANGES: EFFECTIVE JULY 6 2004

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY JULY 6 2004...AT 1205 PM EDT...1605 COORDINATED
UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE TROPICAL ANALYSIS AND FORECAST BRANCH /TAFB/ OF
THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER/TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER WILL CHANGE THE
LAYOUT OF THE ATLANTIC AND EAST PACIFIC TROPICAL WEATHER DISCUSSION:

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ATLANTIC	AXNT20 KNHC	TWDAT
EAST PACIFIC	AXPZ20 KNHC	TWDEP

SUMMARY OF THE NEW LAYOUT FOLLOWED BY THE CURRENT: NEW LAYOUT FOR BOTH THE
ATLANTIC AND EAST PACIFIC:

- SPECIAL FEATURES...ONLY AVAILABLE DURING HURRICANE SEASON.
- TROPICAL WAVES...ONLY AVAILABLE DURING HURRICANE SEASON.
- INTERTROPICAL CONVERGENCE ZONE /ITCZ/...AVAILABLE ALL-SEASON.
- DISCUSSION...AVAILABLE ALL-SEASON AND MERGES REMAINING SECTIONS
MENTIONED ABOVE INTO DIFFERENT GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS BASED ON THE WEATHER
PATTERN.

EXAMPLES OF THE NEW ATLANTIC AND EAST PACIFIC LAYOUT ARE AVAILABLE AT /USE
LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV/NEWTWDFMT.SHTML](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/newtwdfmt.shtml)

CURRENT LAYOUT FOR ATLANTIC:

- SPECIAL FEATURES
- TROPICAL WAVES/ITCZ
- MIDDLE/UPPER LEVEL SYNOPTIC FEATURES
- SURFACE SYNOPTIC FEATURES
- SIGNIFICANT CLOUDS/CONVECTION
- GULF OF MEXICO CARIBBEAN SEA TROPICAL ATLANTIC
- SUBTROPICAL ATLANTIC

AN EXAMPLE OF THE CURRENT ATLANTIC LAYOUT IS AVAILABLE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV/FORECAST.SHTML](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/forecast.shtml)

CURRENT LAYOUT FOR EAST PACIFIC:

- SPECIAL FEATURES
- SURFACE SYNOPTIC ANALYSIS
- INTERPRETATION OF SATELLITE IMAGERY
- ITCZ
- ELSEWHERE SOUTH OF 32N

AN EXAMPLE OF THE CURRENT EAST PACIFIC LAYOUT IS AVAILABLE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

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IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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