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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 05-34
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
745 AM EDT THU SEP 8 2005

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

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ACTING CHIEF...HYDROLOGIC SERVICES DIVISION

SUBJECT: CHANGE TO DAY 2 AND DAY 3 QUANTITATIVE PRECIPITATION FORECAST /QPF/ AND DISCUSSION TIMES: EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 11 2005

ON TUESDAY...OCTOBER 11 2005...NWS WILL CHANGE THE ISSUANCE TIMES OF THE GRAPHIC AND TEXT PRODUCTS FOR QPF AFFECTING DAY 2 AND DAY 3. THESE PRODUCTS ARE ISSUED BY THE HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL PREDICTION CENTER /HPC/.

THE DAY 2 GRAPHIC PRODUCT USES ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDENTIFIER RBG98Q AND WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADER PEII42 KWBC.

THE ISSUANCE TIMES FOR THE DAY 2 GRAPHIC WILL BE 0600 UTC AND 1800 UTC...WITH UPDATES ISSUED AS NEEDED AT 1000 UTC AND 2200 UTC. PREVIOUSLY...THIS PRODUCT WAS ISSUED AT 0700 UTC AND 1900 UTC...WITH UPDATES AT 1015 UTC AND 2215 UTC.

THE DAY 3 GRAPHIC PRODUCT USES AWIPS IDENTIFIER RBG99Q AND WMO HEADER PEII42 KWBC.

ISSUANCE TIMES FOR THE DAY 3 GRAPHIC WILL BE AT 0800 UTC AND 2000 UTC. PREVIOUSLY...THIS PRODUCT WAS ISSUED AT 1015 UTC AND 2215 UTC.

THE VALID TIME PERIOD OF EACH HPC PRODUCT WILL NOT CHANGE. THE FORMAT WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED EXCEPT THAT THE DASHED LINE INDICATING THE BREAKPOINT BETWEEN LIQUID AND SOLID PRECIPITATION WILL BE DISCONTINUED.

THE ASSOCIATED HPC TEXT PRODUCT IS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT IS DEPICTED IN THE GRAPHIC AND IS LABELED: QUANTITATIVE PRECIPITATION FORECAST DISCUSSION...WMO HEADER FXUSO4 KWBC... AWIPS ID QPFPFD. THE DOMAIN OF THE HPC QPF DISCUSSION IS THE CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES /CONUS/.

THE ISSUANCE TIMES FOR THESE HPC DISCUSSIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

0700 UTC /DAY 1 ONLY/...0930 UTC /FOR DAYS 1-3/...1100 UTC /UPDATE FOR DAYS 1-3/...1900 /DAY 1 ONLY/...2130 UTC /DAYS 1-3/...2300 UTC /UPDATE FOR DAYS 1-3/

VALID TIMES AND FORMAT REMAIN UNCHANGED.

IN ADDITION...THE HPC DISSEMINATES THESE PRODUCTS AND RELATED INFORMATION AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.HPC.NCEP.NOAA.GOV/

THIS HPC SERVICE ENHANCEMENT DOES NOT AFFECT THE AVAILABILITY OF NWS QUANTITATIVE PRECIPITATION FORECASTS. QPF PRODUCTS ISSUED BY NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES ARE AVAILABLE IN GRIDDED...GRAPHICAL AND TEXT FORMATS FROM THE NATIONAL DIGITAL FORECAST DATABASE /NDFD/ AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/FORECASTS/GRAPHICAL/SECTORS/

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE QPF PRODUCT SUITE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE

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