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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-13  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
1045 AM EST THU FEB 28 2008

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:  
-FAMILY OF SERVICES  
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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...AND NWS EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: CHANGE TO THE TROPICAL CYCLONE PUBLIC ADVISORY  
PRODUCT FOR THE EASTERN PACIFIC: EFFECTIVE  
MAY 15 2008

EFFECTIVE MAY 15 2008...THE TROPICAL PREDICTION CENTER/NATIONAL  
HURRICANE CENTER /NHC/ WILL CHANGE THE ISSUANCE CRITERIA FOR THE  
TROPICAL CYCLONE PUBLIC ADVISORY /TCP/ PRODUCT FOR STORMS IN THE  
EASTERN PACIFIC HURRICANE BASIN. THIS AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY  
BEGINS AT LONGITUDE 140 DEGREES WEST AND EXTENDS TO THE EAST.

THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS ARE AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE:

HURRICANE BASIN	AWIPS ID	WMO HEADING
EASTERN PACIFIC	TCPEP/1-5/	WTPZ/31-35/ KNHC

CURRENTLY PUBLIC ADVISORIES FOR THE EASTERN PACIFIC HURRICANE  
BASIN ARE ISSUED ONLY WHEN TROPICAL OR SUBTROPICAL CYCLONES ARE  
EXPECTED TO THREATEN LAND AREAS WITHIN 48 HOURS. EFFECTIVE MAY 15  
2008...PUBLIC ADVISORIES WILL BE ISSUED FOR ALL EASTERN PACIFIC  
TROPICAL OR SUBTROPICAL CYCLONES...REGARDLESS OF PROXIMITY TO  
LAND AREAS.

THIS CHANGE IN ISSUANCE CRITERIA FOR EASTERN PACIFIC /TCP/  
PRODUCTS PROVIDES A UNIFORM SERVICE LEVEL ACROSS THE  
ATLANTIC...EASTERN PACIFIC...AND CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE  
BASINS. THERE ARE NO OTHER CHANGES TO THE PRODUCT.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS ON THE /TCP/ MAY BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE  
LETTERS/:

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

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/USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OM/NOTIF.HTM](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif.htm)

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