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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-38
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SUBJECT: NATIONAL DIGITAL FORECAST DATABASE /NDFD/ USER DEFINED
GRIB2 FILES TO BE OFFICIAL EFFECTIVE JULY 1 2009

NDFD USER DEFINED GRIB2 ENCODED DATA FILES WILL BE OFFICIAL
EFFECTIVE JULY 1 2009. THIS SERVICE ALLOWS USERS OF NDFD GRIB2
DATA SETS TO DEFINE A CUSTOM AREA FOR WHICH TO RECEIVE NDFD DATA
AS A GRIB2 MESSAGE. THE REQUEST IS MADE IN THE FORM OF A HTTP
REQUEST OVER THE INTERNET THAT CONTAINS THE INFORMATION USED TO
CONSTRUCT THE GRIB2 MESSAGE.

A SAMPLE REQUEST CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWERCASE EXCEPT
NDFD_GRIB2D/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/MDL/NDFD_GRIB2DECODER/CUSTMGRD.PHP#INTRO](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/mdl/ndfd_grib2decoder/custmgrd.php#intro)

INFORMATION ON HOW TO DECODE AND SAMPLE COMPUTER CODE FOR
ACCESSING GRIB2 DATA IS AVIALABLE INCLUDING GRIB2 DECODER
PACKAGES /USE LOWERCASE EXCEPT NDFD_GRIB2D/

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/MDL/NDFD_GRIB2DECODER/](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/mdl/ndfd_grib2decoder/)

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[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIF.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/os/notif.htm)

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