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

NDFD USER DEFINED GRIDDED BINARY VERSION 2 /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

INFORMATION ON HOW TO DECODE AND SAMPLE COMPUTER CODE FOR
ACCESSING GRIB2 DATA IS AVAILALBE INCLUDING GRIB2 DECODER
PACKAGES /USE LOWERCASE EXCEPT NDFD_GRIB2D/:  
HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/MDL/NDFD_GRIB2DECODER/

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

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