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SUBJECT: Amended: Implementation of Responsive Web Design Enhancements to weather.gov Website: Effective Date to be Determined (TBD)

Amended to delay implementation of the weather.gov enhancements from May 13, 2014, to a future TBD date to revise requirements for the responsive web design enhancements. An opportunity to preview and provide comments will be provided. A new implementation date will be announced once a deployment schedule has been established.

Effective date TBD, the NWS will implement responsive web design enhancements to the NWS website and its related and linked point forecast pages.

https://weather.gov

These enhancements improve the usability of these sites on devices with reduced size displays and touchscreen interfaces, such as smartphones and tablets.

Using web page techniques known as responsive and progressive enhancement, users of a broad range of devices such as smartphones, tablets and desktops, will be able to use our pages more easily.

NWS will preserve basic content and functionality across these platforms, while features requiring more display area are progressively introduced for larger displays. A live preview of these enhancements, viewable on mobile and tablet devices, is
online at:

https://preview.weather.gov

For example, access to local forecasts is provided via an easily usable city, state or ZIP code lookup box. In addition, these allow users to navigate navigation menus on touch screen devices.

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