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SUBJECT: Elimination of the Delineation of 5 Inches or More of Rainfall on the WPC Excessive Rainfall Graphic: Effective June 9, 2014

Effective June 9, 2014, at 1500 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the Weather Prediction Center (WPC) Excessive Rainfall chart will no longer depict areas where precipitation will exceed 5 inches. This information is available on other WPC Quantitative Precipitation charts. The 5-inch threshold is arbitrary and not necessarily significant since smaller amounts can be sufficient to cause flash flooding. It also adds clutter to the charts. The charts will continue to outline areas where rainfall is expected to exceed flash flood guidance.

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