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Subject: Change to the Depiction of Disturbances on the 48-Hour Graphical
Tropical Weather Outlook: Effective July 1, 2014

Effective July 1, 2014, the 48-hour Graphical Tropical Weather Outlook (TWO) produced by the National Hurricane Center (NHC) and Central Pacific Hurricane Center (CPHC) will no longer indicate the locations of disturbances by encircling them; instead, locations of current disturbances will be marked with an X.

This change is being made to enhance consistency and efficiency with the new experimental five-day Graphical TWO that will be produced by NHC. On the new five-day graphic, circles or swaths designate potential formation areas, with the current location of a disturbance indicated by an X. Depicting disturbance locations with the same symbols across both graphics will minimize potential confusion.

NHC makes certain datasets available in Geographic Information System (GIS) format as a convenience to users. Effective July 1, 2014, the GIS version of the 48-hour Graphical TWO will not be available. NHC expects to make a GIS version of the Graphical TWO available again at some point during the 2014 hurricane season.

The 48-hour Graphical TWO can be found online at:

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>
<http://www.prh.noaa.gov/cphc/>

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