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- To: Subscribers: -Family of Services -NOAA Weather Wire Service -Emergency Managers Weather Information Network -NOAAPort Other NWS Partners, Users and Employees
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Subject: The National Hurricane Center will Upgrade its Public Website (www.hurricanes.gov) on November 9, 2015

Effective Monday November 9, 2015, the NWS National Hurricane Center (NHC) website:

www.nhc.noaa.gov or hurricanes.gov

will be upgraded to the new formatting currently available at:

http://www.nhcpara.noaa.gov

This change represents the first major website upgrade to the NHC website since 2005.

On July 8 2015, the proposed new formatting for hurricanes.gov was made available to the public. The parallel page included a form for submitting comments. During the subsequent 4-month period, NHC received feedback and comments from hundreds of users. Based on these responses, the new format provides an improvement of service over the current website format. In particular, users commented that the new website is easier to navigate, has a cleaner look and feel, and projects better on mobile devices than the current website. The new format will also bring the NHC website in line with other recent NWS web formatting upgrades.

Please note that only the formatting of the website will change on November 9, 2015. No changes have been made to any operational products. In addition, no changes will be made to any URLs and the location of all operational products will remain the same.

Beginning November 9, 2015, users who go to the old site will be redirected to the regular NHC website. Users do not need to take any actions.

If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact:

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