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SUBJECT: Changes to the websites associated with the HADS system effective December 13, 2016

On or about December 13, 2016, the websites associated with the Hydrometeorological Automated Data System (HADS) will point to new URLs. As part of internal NWS infrastructure upgrades, HADS is being integrated into the Meteorological Assimilation Data Ingest System (MADIS), which will be upgraded to release 2.1.5 on December 13. The following changes can be expected as a result of HADS becoming part of MADIS:

The old HADS public website home pages formerly at the following URLs:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/oh/hads
http://www.nws.noaa.gov/ohd/hads
http://www.weather.gov/oh/hads
http://www.weather.gov/ohd/hads

will be available starting December 13 at

https://hads.ncep.noaa.gov

The content will remain the same throughout the website, however many .html links have been changed to .shtml.

Users that have the HADS pages bookmarked will need to also remove the path oh/hads or ohd/hads from the URL. Example:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/oh/hads/USGS/
will be available at:

https://hads.ncep.noaa.gov/USGS

The old HADS public website used a second server named amazon.nws.noaa.gov for dynamically serving HADS data. Example:

http://amazon.nws.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/hads/interactiveDisplays/displayMetaData.pl?table=dcp&nwsli=FDKM2

The dynamically served data will be available on https://hads.ncep.noaa.gov

Example of accessing the same data using the new website:

https://hads.ncep.noaa.gov/cgi-bin/hads/interactiveDisplays/displayMetaData.pl?table=dcp&nwsli=FDKM2

The old URL for the anonymous FTP access to the HADS RRS SHEF products and other text files was:

ftp://amazon.nws.noaa.gov/pub/hads/shef_products/

The new URL with the same content will be:

ftp://madis-data.ncep.noaa.gov/hads/shef_products/

Under this URL will be subdirectories for the Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs), River Forecast Centers (RFCs), National Operational Hydrologic Remote Sensing Center (NOHRSC), National Center for Environmental Prediction (NCEP), and National Center for Environmental Prediction (NCEI), and Mesowest.

Stakeholders who pull data from the HADS Public Website using wget will need to use the command line option --no-check-certificate when running the command.

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