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SUBJECT: Discontinue the use of Instagram at NWS local Forecast
 Offices effective January 4, 2018

Effective January 4, 2018, NWS will discontinue Instagram accounts at 12 NWS Weather Forecast Offices and 1 National Center that participated in the prototyping effort from August 1, 2016 to November 2, 2016. NWS engaged in a prototype activity at to explore the potential use of Instagram at these offices:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/notification/pns16-28instragram.htm>

Upon evaluation, the NWS has decided not to pursue the use of Instagram at individual NWS offices; however, the NWS will continue to use the existing national NWS Instagram account available since 2014

<https://www.instagram.com/nws/>

Disclaimers regarding NWS use of social media services can be found at:

<http://www.weather.gov/disclaimer>

Below is a list of the offices in the prototyping effort that will discontinue Instagram accounts:

Western Region:
- WFO Sacramento
- WFO Missoula
- WFO Seattle
- WFO Monterey

NCEP:
- Ocean Prediction Center

Southern Region:
- WFO El Paso
- WFO Austin/San Antonio

Eastern Region:

- WFO Wakefield
- WFO Columbia

Central Region:

- WFO Hastings
- WFO Sioux Falls

Alaska Region:

- WFO Juneau
- WFO Fairbanks

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