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Subject:          Four NWS Southern Region Weather Forecast Offices  
                  (WFOs) will stop issuing tropical cyclone  
                  forecast products effective on or about  
                  June 1, 2017

Effective on or about June 1, 2017, four WFOs will no longer  
issue local tropical cyclone products:

WFO Albuquerque (ABQ)  
WFO Amarillo (AMA)  
WFO El Paso (EPZ)  
WFO Lubbock (LUB)

Based on tropical cyclone climatological return periods and  
feedback from local emergency management, the WFOs listed above  
will no longer issue the WFO Hurricane Local Watch/Warning  
Product (WFO TCV) and Hurricane Local Statement (HLS). These  
office will, instead, use the Non-Precipitation Warning (NPW)  
products when hurricane or tropical storm force winds from a  
tropical cyclone are expected to impact their area of  
responsibility.

Below is a listing of tropical products, these office are  
discontinuing and their AWIPS Product Identifiers (PIL) and  
World Meteorological Office (WMO) Code.

PRODUCT	AWIPS PIL	WMO CODE
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Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVABQ	WTUS85
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVAMA	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVEPZ	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVLUB	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSABQ	WTUS85
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSAMA	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSEPZ	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSLUB	WTUS84

Updated information on tropical cyclone product issuances will be online before June 1, 2017, in NWS Instruction (NWSI) NWSI 10-601 at:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/010/010.htm>

Below is a listing of tropical products being discontinued with AWIPS identifiers (PIL) and Valid Time Event Code (VTEC).

AWIPS PRODUCT	AWIPS PIL	VTEC
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVABQ	TR.A, TR.W, HU.A, HU.W
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVAMA	TR.A, TR.W, HU.A, HU.W
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVEPZ	TR.A, TR.W, HU.A, HU.W
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVLUB	TR.A, TR.W, HU.A, HU.W

Additional information on UGC and VTEC can be found in NWSI 10-1702 and NWSI 10-1703, respectively at:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/010/010.htm>

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