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Subject: Change to Depiction of Sustained Winds Around Tropical cyclones on Ocean Prediction Center Forecast Charts: Effective Thursday June 30, 2017

Effective Thursday June 30, 2017, the NWS National Centers for Environmental Prediction's (NCEP) Ocean Prediction Center (OPC) will change the depiction of sustained winds around tropical cyclones depicted on its surface and wind/wave forecast charts.

Wind barbs on those OPC charts will depict the actual sustained wind as forecast by the National Hurricane Center (NHC), Central Pacific Hurricane Center (CPHC), or the Joint Typhoon Weather Center (JTWC) as applicable. Previously, the depiction of such wind barbs was capped at 35 kt.

Users do not need to take any actions to continue receiving these charts.

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