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Subject: Soliciting Public Comments on the Removal of Redbook
 Graphics, GIF images, Fax Charts, AFOS and Bulletins
 Effective May 17, 2019

The National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) is soliciting comments on the removal of certain Redbook graphics, FAX charts, Buoy Bulletins, and Automation of Field Operations and Services (AFOS) Products from its suite of post-processed products from real-time observations.

The products slated for removal are comprised of Redbook graphics, FAX charts, bulletins and AFOS products produced from the hourly suite.

These products are available on NWS Web Services, NOAAPORT, and the Global Telecommunications System (GTS). They may also be available from downstream partners such as the National Centers for Environmental Information.

1. Product Removal from NOAAPORT and GTS
The link below offers a full list of proposed WMO headers to be removed:

https://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/changes/legacy_product_removal.shtml

2. Product Removal from NWS Web Services

<https://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov>
<ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov>

- Redbook Graphics from directory:
SL.us008001/ST.opnl/MT.mrge_CY.00/RD.YYYYMMDD/PT.graf_DF.rgb/

NWS will evaluate all comments to determine whether to proceed with this change. If approved, a Service Change Notice will be issued giving 30 days of notice of the termination date.

Send comments on this proposal to:

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