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SUBJECT: Soliciting Comments on the Prototype National Water Model Visualization Services through August 1, 2020

The NWS Office of Water Prediction (OWP) is soliciting comments on the prototype National Water Model (NWM) Visualization Services through August 1, 2020.

The prototype NWM Visualization Services consist of geospatial representations of river network information and flood inundation mapping (FIM). A description of the proposed suite of visualizations developed by the OWP is available via the NWM Visualization Services - Service Description Document (SDD) at:
https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/SDD_Prototype_NWMVisualizationServices_2020.pdf
and associated Handbook of OWP Visualization Services at:
https://www.weather.gov/media/water/Handbook_NWC-Visualization-Services_2020-03.pdf

At this time, the prototype NWM Visualization Services will be available to all River Forecast Centers, the Weather Prediction Center, select Weather Forecast Offices and others. Feedback is being solicited to help refine the prototype and define the suite of visualizations. Responses will help identify new visualizations for further testing.

Input from the general public may be provided on these proposed services as described in the handbook. As these prototype services become more mature and NWS is prepared to offer them on a broader and more consistent basis, additional information and initiation of a formal public comment and review period will be provided.

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