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Subject: Update: Upgrade Weather.gov API Services
 Effective date: June 17, 2020

Updated to change the implementation date of all the features and fixes from TBD to June 17, 2020, and to add a disclaimer for a known issue to forecast data.

Effective on or about June 17, 2020, beginning at 1600 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) Central Operations (NCO) Integrated Dissemination Program (IDP) will provide enhancements and bug fixes for API services.

With this version upgrade, the gridpoints endpoint will now return a 404 error code for marine points. The error message returned will be "Point forecasts for marine areas are not yet supported by this API." This is done to better communicate to users of the API application that marine forecasts are not yet supported by the API.

The following new features will be added:

Endpoint Updates and additions

- The "observationStations" property is missing from zone endpoints:
<https://api.weather.gov/zones/forecast/ID>

Where ID matches a valid zone

- Add conditional request support to gridpoint data endpoints
- Add conditional request support to single zone endpoint
Example: <https://api.weather.gov/gridpoints/EAX/40,48>
<https://api.weather.gov/gridpoints/EAX/40,58/forecast>
- API alerts endpoint will now include CAP polygon nodes in ATOM feed.

The following endpoint bug fixes will be made:

- Removing "500 error" if one or more alert products is malformed
- snow_sleet description incorrect on icons endpoint:

From: snow_sleet:{description: "Rain/sleet"}
To: snow_sleet:{description:"Snow/sleet"}

- Change name of Geoserver radar layer:
From: nws:wsr_88d
To: nws:radar_sites

Completed on January 7, 2020, at 1600 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) Central Operations (NCO) Integrated Dissemination Program (IDP) updated the API endpoints to react to [SCN 18-64: Lake Michigan transfer from WFO Chicago to WFO Milwaukee](#):

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