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PUBLIC INFO. STATEMENT...TECH IMPLEMENT. NOTICE 03-42...CORRECTED  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
1125 AM EDT WED OCT 1 2003

TO FAMILY SERVICE /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA WEATHER WIRE  
SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS...EMERGENCY MANAGERS  
WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS...  
NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS...OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
/NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND PARTNERS...AND NWS EMPLOYEES

FROM GLENN AUSTIN  
ACTING CHIEF...PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT CORRECTED UPDATE...NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
EXPERIMENTAL NATIONAL DIGITAL FORECAST DATA BASE  
/NDFD/ COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED

REFERENCE TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 02-31...FIRST  
DISTRIBUTED OCTOBER 28 2002

CORRECTED FOR MIXED CASE LETTERS IN FTP URL BELOW

THE NATIONAL DIGITAL FORECAST DATA BASE /NDFD/ GRIDDED ELEMENTS  
WILL CONTINUE THEIR EXPERIMENTAL STATUS THROUGH AT LEAST  
DECEMBER 1 2003. THESE FILES CAN BE ACCESSED AT THE FOLLOWING  
URL...

<ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/ST.expr/DF.gr2/DC.ndfd/AR.conus/>

DATA FROM THE NDFD ARE PROVIDED IN VERSION 2 GRIB /GRIDDED  
BINARY/ FORMAT.

FOR THE FOLLOWING ELEMENTS...

MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE  
MINIMUM TEMPERATURE  
PROBABILITY OF PRECIPITATION /POP12/  
WEATHER  
SKY COVER  
WIND DIRECTION AND SPEED  
SIGNIFICANT WAVE HEIGHT

...THE COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH DECEMBER 1 2003.  
THE EVALUATION OF THESE ELEMENTS WILL BE COMPLETED WHILE THEY  
CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE AS EXPERIMENTAL. THE PROCESS...AND  
DECISION WHETHER TO DECLARE THEM OFFICIAL...WILL BE COMPLETED NO  
LATER THAN MARCH 31 2004.

FOR THE REMAINDER OF EXPERIMENTAL ELEMENTS...

TEMPERATURE  
DEWPOINT  
PRECIPITATION AMOUNT  
SNOW AMOUNT

...THE COMMENT PERIOD HAS BEEN EXTENDED THROUGH MARCH 31 2004.  
THE EVALUATION OF THESE ELEMENTS WILL BE COMPLETED WHILE THEY  
CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE AS EXPERIMENTAL. THE PROCESS...AND  
DECISION WHETHER TO DECLARE THEM OFFICIAL...WILL BE COMPLETED NO  
LATER THAN JUNE 30 2004.

MORE SPECIFIC INFORMATION ON THE CONTENT OF THESE FILES AND FILE  
TRANSFER PROTOCOL /FTP/ INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE OBTAINED AT THE URL  
LISTED BELOW /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/...

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/ndfd/technical/technical.htm>

YOUR FEEDBACK COMMENTS ON THE QUALITY AND USEFULNESS OF THESE  
DIGITAL GRID PRODUCTS ARE URGENTLY REQUESTED. THEY WILL BE  
CRITICAL IN DECIDING WHETHER THESE ELEMENTS BECOME OFFICIAL.  
PLEASE E-MAIL COMMENTS TO...

[nws.ndfd@noaa.gov](mailto:nws.ndfd@noaa.gov)

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE...PLEASE CONTACT...

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NOTICES WEB PAGE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/...

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/datamgmt/notices.shtml>

THIS AND OTHER NWS TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE  
ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/...

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif.htm>

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