



Localized Aviation Model Output Statistics (MOS) Program (LAMP) Upgrades for Improved Aviation Forecasts

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- 1. LAMP Background
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LAMP Background



- LAMP is a statistical system that uses observations, MOS output, and model output to provide guidance for aviation forecasting
- LAMP acts as an update to MOS guidance

LAMP bridges the gap between the observations and the MOS

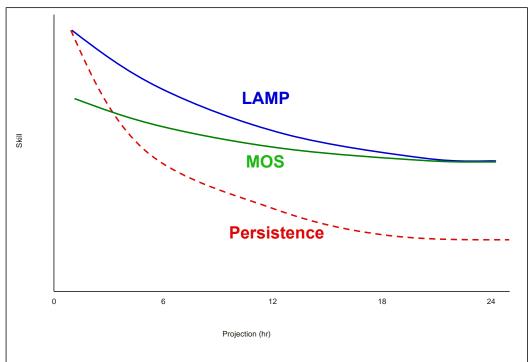
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 LAMP outperforms persistence in the early period and trends towards MOS at the end of the period.

 LAMP guidance covers the short-range period of 1-25 hours (1-38 h soon)



hours HH:00, HH:15, HH:35)





LAMP Guidance Details



- LAMP provides station-oriented guidance for:
 - All LAMP forecast elements, ~2010 stations
 - CONUS, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico
- Gridded LAMP provides grid-oriented guidance for:
 - Lightning & Convection
 - Temperature & Dewpoint
 - Wind Speed & Direction
 - Ceiling Height & Visibility
 - Sky Cover
 - Probability of Precipitation (Coming Soon)

- Temperature and dewpoint
- Wind speed, direction, and gusts
- Probability of precipitation (on hr)
- Probability of measurable precipitation (6- and 12-h)
- Precipitation type
- Precipitation characteristics
- Lightning/Convection
- Ceiling height
- Conditional ceiling height
- Opaque sky cover
- Visibility
- Conditional visibility
- Obstruction to vision

- Available:
 - At NWS WFOs in AWIPS
 - Via FTP, in the National Digital Guidance Database
 - Via website: http://weather.gov/mdl/lamp_home



LAMP Guidance Details



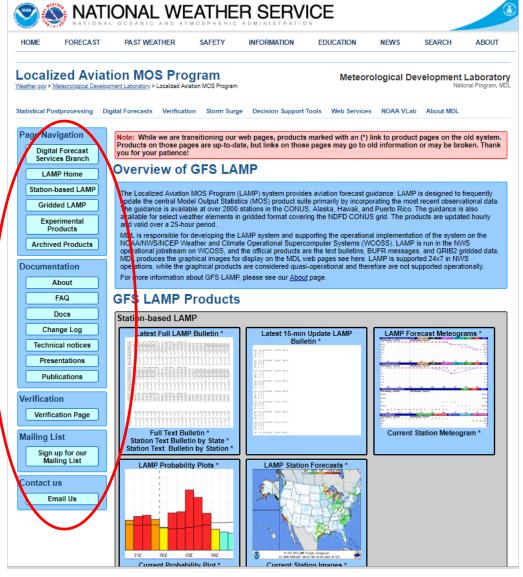
- Technique details (station-based eqns or gridded eqns):
 - Differs depending on predictand data (whether the data are valid at stations [points] or on a grid)
 - Examples:
 - Station-based elements: ceiling, visibility, temperature, dewpoint
 - Predictand data source: METAR observations at stations
 - Gridded elements: convection, lightning, probability of precipitation
 - Predictand data source: Multi-Radar Multi-Sensor (MRMS) data, Earth
 Networks, Inc. (ENI) lightning data
- Basic idea:

LAMP = MOS + Observations + Simple locally-run models

- Predictors:
 - Observations (METAR data, MRMS data, ENI data)
 - MOS from global models such as the GFS
 - MOS from mesoscale models such as HRRR and RAP
 - Local models: advection models, saturation deficit model
 - Climatological data



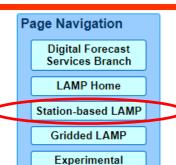




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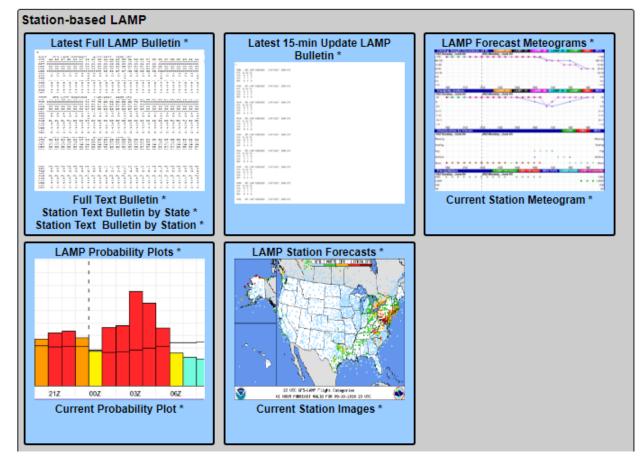
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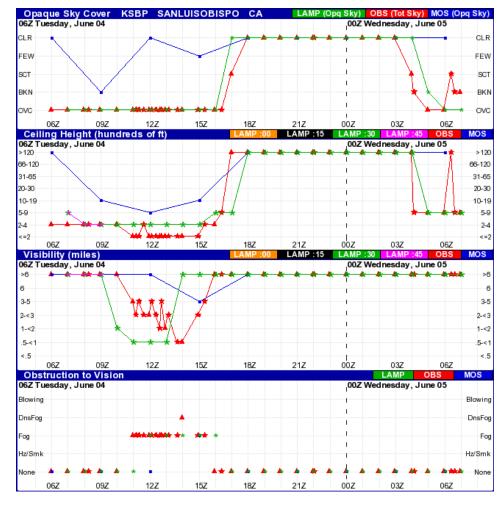
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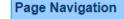


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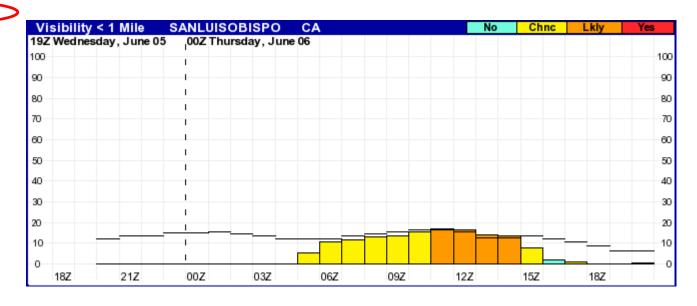
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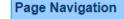


Probabilities (bars) and thresholds (lines) KSBP

Visibility < 1 mi







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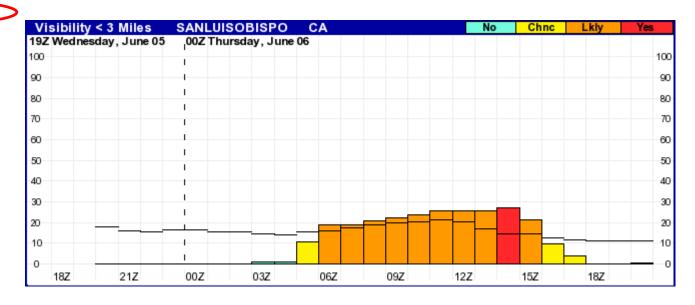
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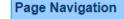


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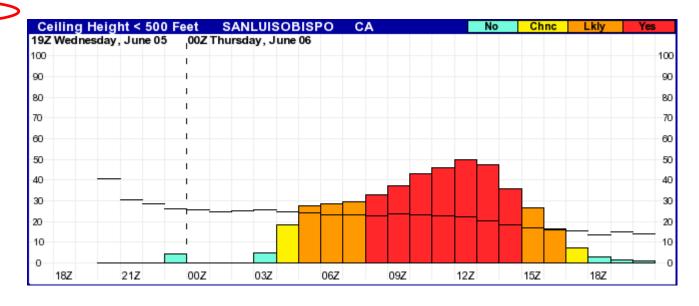
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Ceiling height < 500 feet







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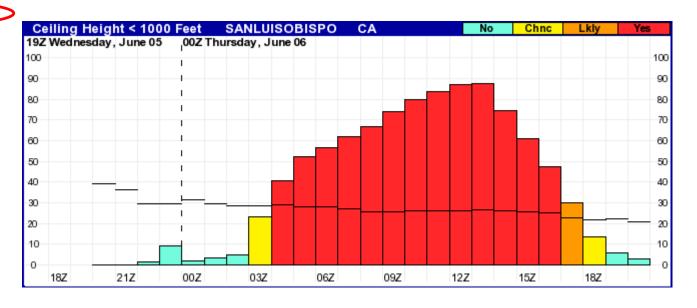
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Ceiling height < 1,000 feet

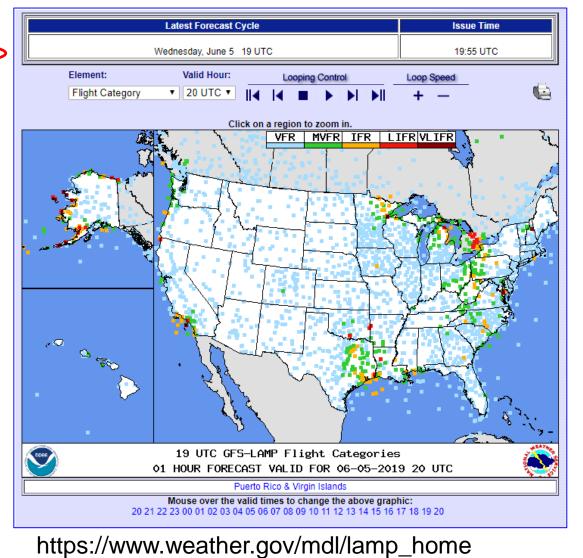






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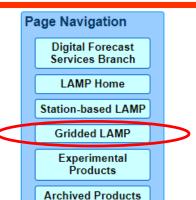
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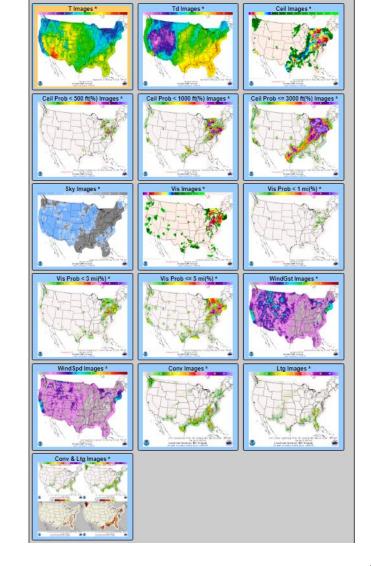


Gridded LAMP





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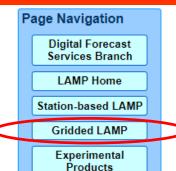
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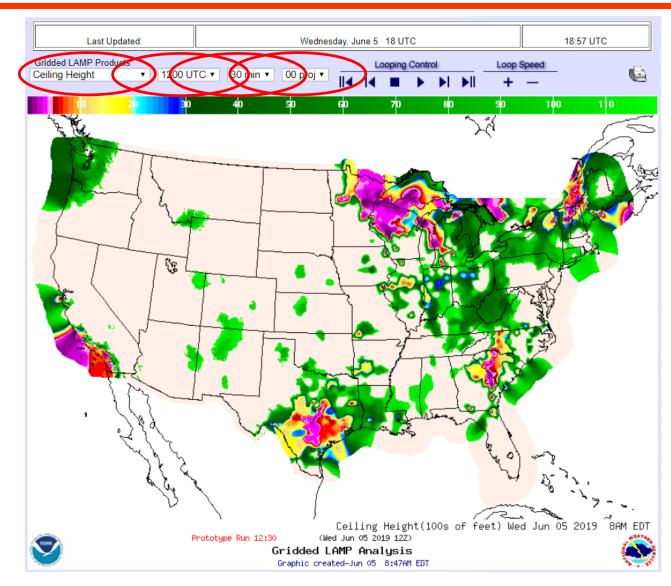
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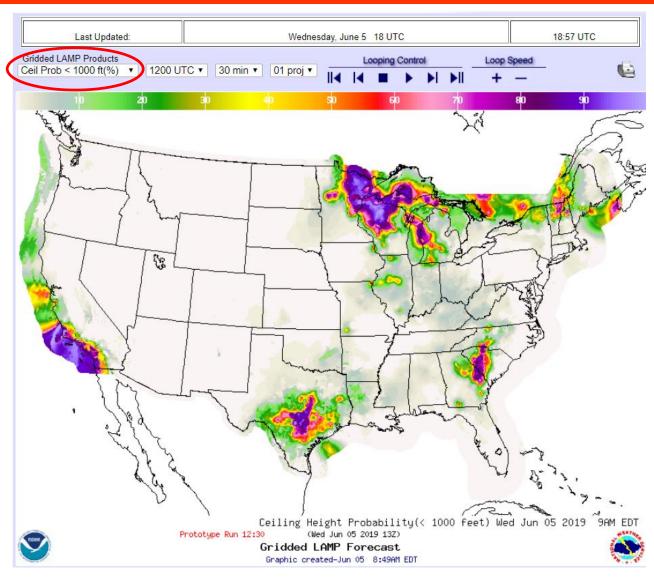






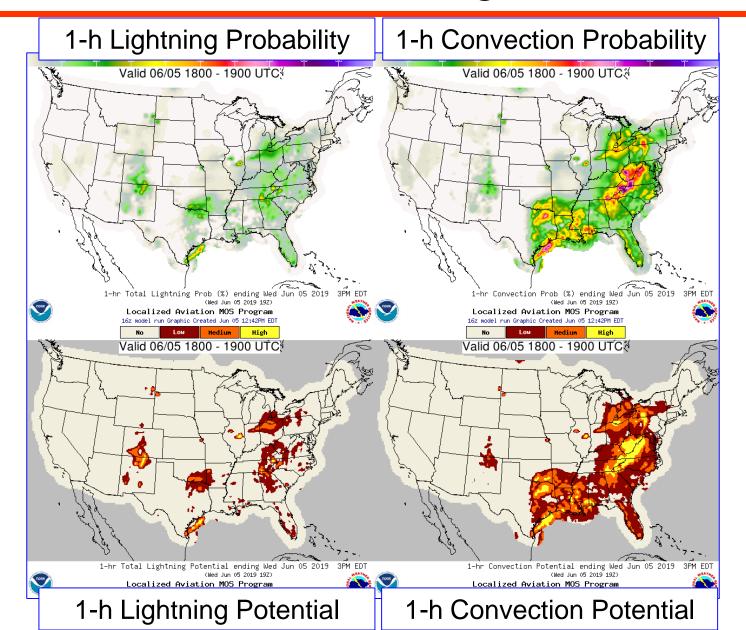
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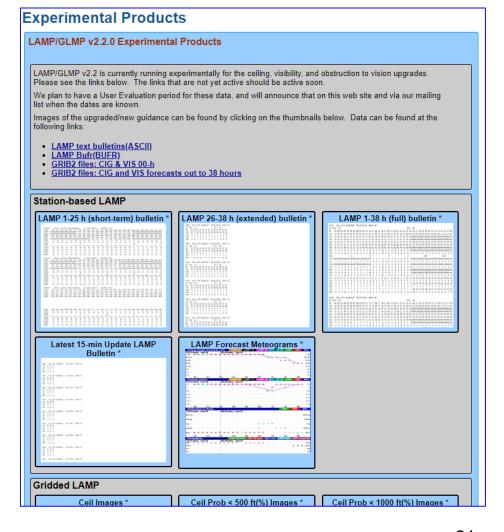
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About the Archived Data

Archived LAMP data are available in a UNIX compressed format in hourly files for all stations for which the guidance is produced. We have archives of these products back through August 2006.

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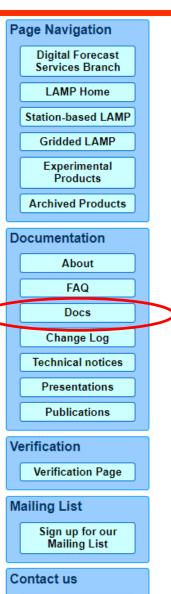
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 - Stations lists
 - WMO headers
 - NWS (ftp) server locations of files





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Information For Upcoming LAMP/GLMP v2.2.0 Upgrade. Estimated effective date: July 2019

An upgrade to the LAMP and Gridded LAMP systems is planned to be implemented in NWS Operations July 2019. This section deals with documentation relative to the this upgrade (v2.2.0).

- Presentations: Slide package for User Evaluation (3/10/2019, pptx format, size ~ 14.3 MB).
- LAMP/GLMP v2.2.0 User Evaluation Form (feedback period open until April 1, 2019)
- Notifications: Coming Soon!
- Experimental LAMP and GLMP graphics and products: GLMP and LAMP experimental web page.
- The current LAMP and GLMP product locations on the NWS server are unchanged with this implementation. For more details about the locations of these products on the NWS server, please see the links under "Products on NWS server" below.
- The new 1-, 6-, 12-h Probability of Precipitation grid files will be added to the NWS server with this
 implementation (Coming Soon!).
- The current LAMP and GLMP WMO headers are unchanged with this implementation. For more details about the WMO headers for these products, please see the links under "WMO Headers" below.
- The new GLMP ceiling and visibility headers from projections 26-38 h as well as the new 1-, 6, and 12-h Probability
 of Precipitation (Coming Soon!).
- Presentations: Science Briefing to NCEP (Coming soon!)
- Additional Stations: With this implementation making the following station changes:
 - Adding LAMP guidance for San Bernadino, CA (KSBD). There will now be LAMP guidance of ceiling height, visibility, obstruction to vision, sky cover, precipitation type, conditional ceiling, and conditional visibility for KSBD.
 - · Changing the station identifer for Heber City, UT from K36U to KHCR.
 - In January 2018 we added 332 stations to the LAMP ceiling, visibility, and obstruction to vision guidance.
 With this implementation, we are adding LAMP sky cover, precipitation type, conditional ceiling, and conditional visibility to those 332 stations, where possible. This new guidance will be added to the text bulletins and the BUFR files.
 - Stations with LAMP additional guidance of sky cover, precipitation type, conditional ceiling, and conditional visibility.
 - · New list of all stations with LAMP guidance.
- Description of the new LAMP v2.2.0 GFS LAMP Alphanumeric Text Messages
- LAMP Thresholds (v2.2.0) for AWIPS (effective Summer 2019)





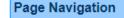


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Click here to sign up for our mailing list to receive information about:

- Current known outages
- Future anticipated outages
- News about upcoming changes

Instructions for joining LAMP Mail List Server

The purpose of this list is to notify users of changes to LAMP webpages or other LAMP products. In order to subscribe to the LAMP users mailing list, send email to: lyris@infolist.nws.noaa.gov. No subject is necessary.

The body of the message should contain the following:

subscribe lamp_mailing_list pw=your_password

Where your_password is the password you determine. Please use a combination of at least 6 characters/numbers/special characters. Make note of this password as it will be needed to access any previous messages sent to the list server.

After the above process is completed, your request to join the mailing list will need to be approved. Upon approval you will receive an automated welcome message, and thereafter you will receive any emails that are sent to the list. Approved members can read previous messages by going to http://infolist.nws.noaa.gov/read/login.

In order to enter the site, you will be asked to enter the email address where you receive your subscription, and also the password that you determined to use.

If you have any questions or problems please feel free to Email Us.







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LMP/GLMP V2.2.0



- LAMP supports the National Blend of Models:
 - The National Blend of Models (NBM) provides a skillful and spatially consistent gridded starting point for making National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) forecasts.
 - The NBM is a key component to the NWS's efforts to evolve and build a Weather Ready Nation.
- Updated GFS MOS Ceiling & Visibility guidance & updated HRRRv3 inputs
 - Not a major "skill" upgrade over current LMP/GLMP. But using upgraded GFS MOS inputs WITHOUT redeveloping would have resulted in degradation of LMP/GLMP forecasts.
 - Most improvement after 16 hours for ceiling/vis (cool season); and for Obstruction to Vision
 - Major benefit is in extension of forecasts out to 38 hours and larger CONUS Domain
- Adding new stations to GLMP inputs
- Expanding grid domain to match the NBM CONUS domain
- Extending LAMP/GLMP C&V guidance from 25-hrs to 38-hrs
- Code handed off April 19, 2019. Implementation planned July 2019



New Elements: Gridded LAMP POPs



LAMP/GLMP v2.2.0 (January 2019):

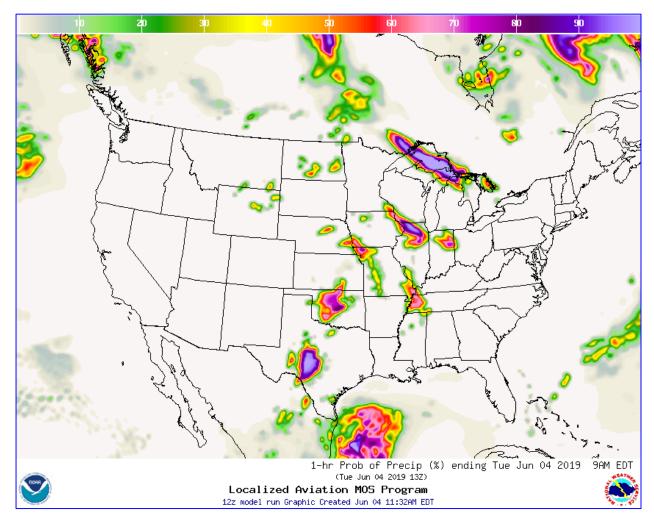
- Adding 1-, 6-, and 12-hr Probability of Precipitation (POP01/POP06/ POP12) in CONUS
- All LAMP cycles out to 38 hours for use in NBM
- CONUS grid domain to match the NBM CONUS domain
- MRMS 1-h gauge-corrected QPE used to define predictand
- Uses ECMWF-based MOS, NAM-based MOS, RAP, HRRR, MRMS, observations as predictors (no GFS MOS component due to upcoming GFS upgrades)
- Dissemination:
 - Make POP grids available internally to NBM
 - In the future (V2.3), make POP guidance (no ECMWF inputs) available externally for TAF production



New Elements: Gridded LAMP POPs



POP01 12 UTC June 4, 2019 1-38 h projections







Bulletins:

- Ceiling, visibility, and obstruction to vision guidance will go out to 38 hours more elements will be extended in the future
- Current 1-3 h and current 1-25 h bulletins will continue
- Cycle time in bulletins will now correctly reflect nominal time of the run (HH00, HH15, HH30, or HH45)
- Will add separate "extended" bulletin covering 26-38 hours for SBN

Will add "full" 1-38 h bulletin to website





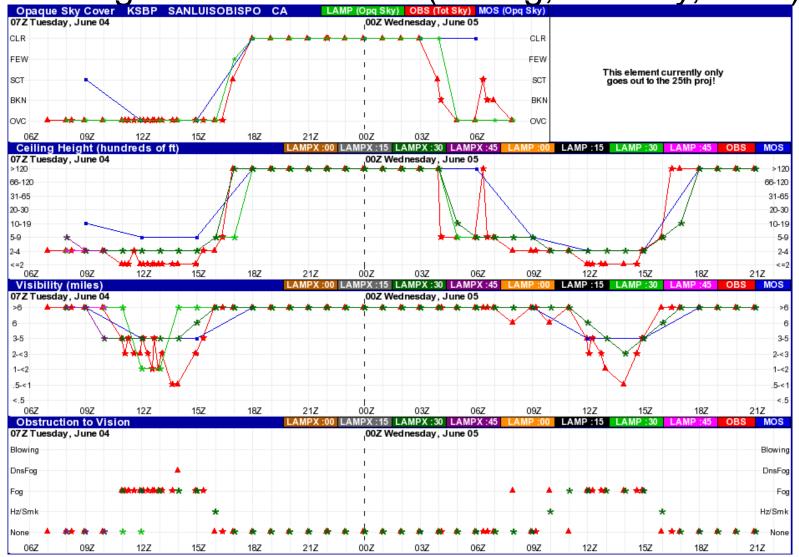
Example of a 38-h "Full" LAMP Bulletin (available on website only):

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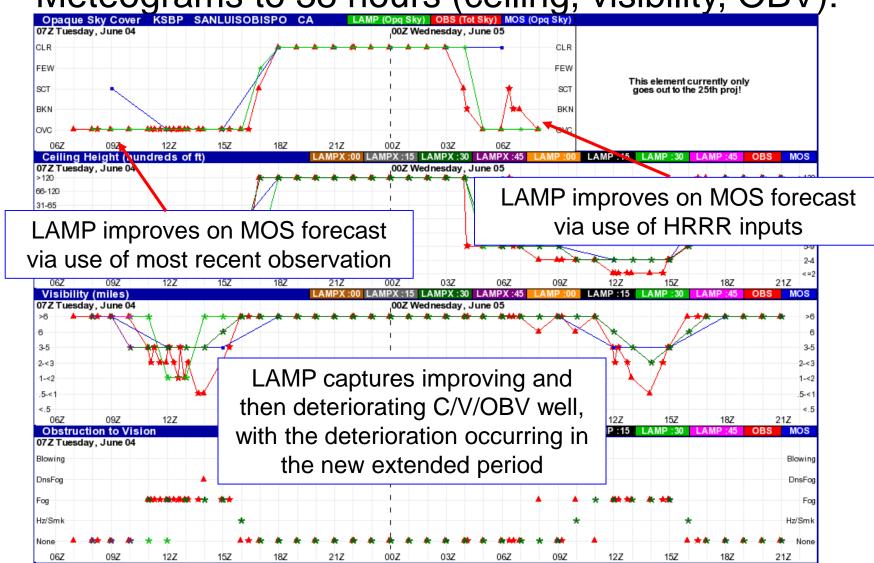
Meteograms to 38 hours (ceiling, visibility, OBV):







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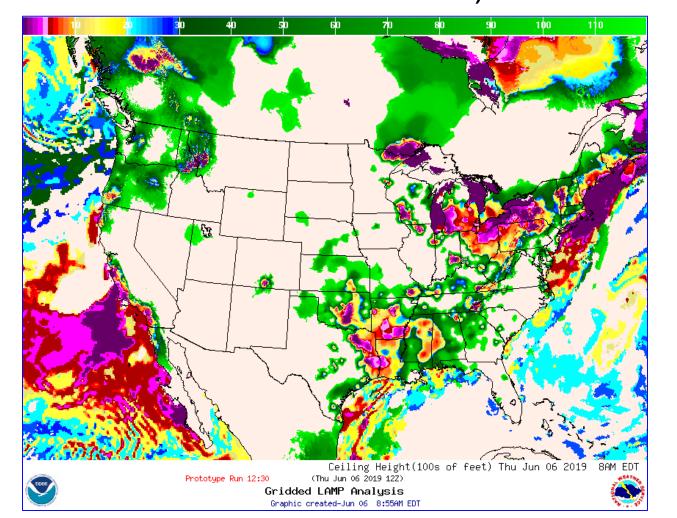




Spatial Expansion



 GLMP valid over NBM domain (ceiling, visibility, POP01/POP06/POP12):



Expanded LAMP
Grid: C&V grids
clipped for SBN
and after 17 hours.
Full grid sent to
NBM, AWC, and
NOMADS.



LAMP/GLMP v2.2



Station Additions/Changes (per NWS field requests)

Add San Bernadino, CA to the GFS-LAMP system:

KSBD SAN BERNARDINO CA 34.10N 117.23W

The identifier for Heber City, UT:

HEBER_CITY_MUNI_ARPT UT 40.48N 111.43W is changing from K36U to KHCR.

 Additional guidance will be added to incomplete stations when and where possible in future implementations.



Summary



LAMP/HRRR v2.2.0 Implementation

- Changes:
 - 1. Redevelopment of C, V, and OBV guidance
 - 2. Adding guidance for new elements for 1-, 6-, and 12-hr POP
 - 3. Time extension to 38-hrs for C, V, POPs
 - 4. Spatial expansion for C, V, POPs
 - Miscellaneous station changes for LAMP, adding input stations to Gridded LAMP
- Current schedule: implementation July 30, 2019



Current Work



- Updating other LAMP elements to include HRRR/RAP data and cover the 38-h period to support the 30-h TAF and the NBM:
 - Sky cover
 - Redeveloping Sky Cover to include the HRRR at stations (all areas) and on the grid (CONUS)
 - Investigating use of Satellite data to assist with this work challenges to overcome
 - Implementation winter 2020-2021



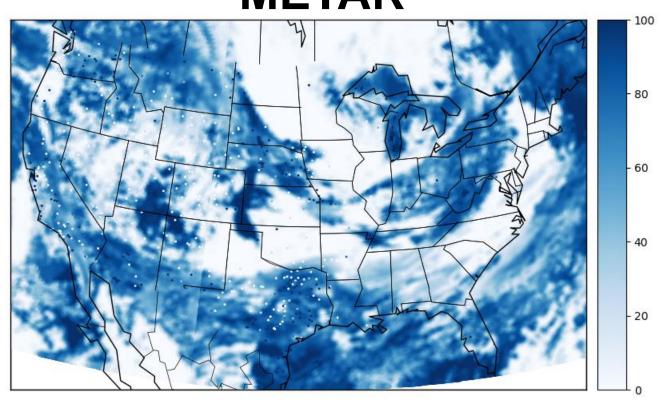
METAR overlay vs. METAR + SCP



METAR

METAR
observations
represented by dots
(white = clear, dark
blue = overcast)

Background data =
Effective Cloud
Amount Data from
CIMSS/University of
Wisconsin





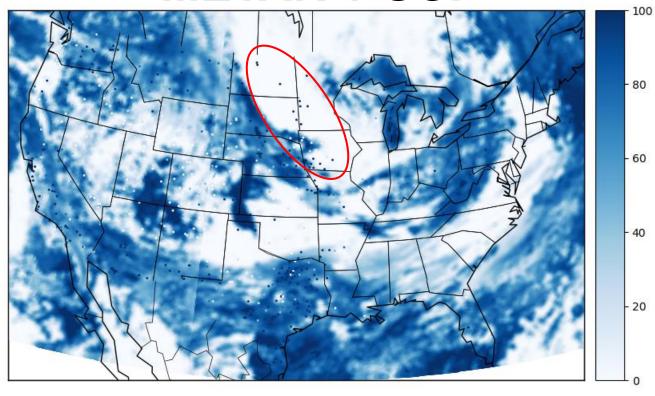
METAR + SCP overlay



Use of SCP data seems to improve except for the obs circled in red. These are the obs that are affected negatively by missing SCP-East data.

Remainder of SCP-East data is missing as of January 2018. SCP-West data may be lost this summer. Replacements from GOES-16 and GOES-17 planned but not yet operational.

METAR + SCP

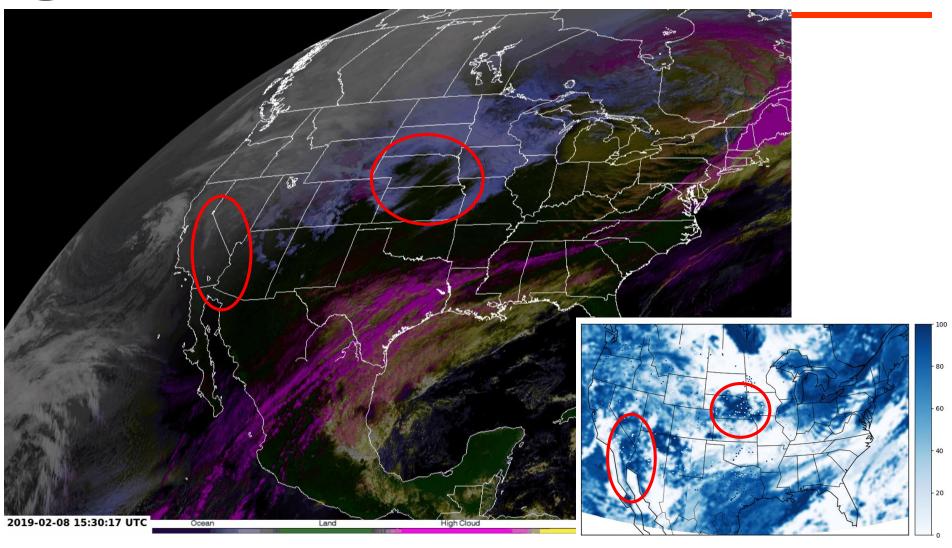


SCP = ASOS Satellite Cloud Product, used to augment METAR observations above 12,000 feet



Challenges with using satellite data





ECAM showing clouds where there are snow boundaries or desert sun glint



Future Work



- Updating other LAMP elements to include HRRR/RAP data and cover the 38-h period to support the 30-h TAF and the NBM:
 - Sky cover
 - Temperature
 - Dewpoint
 - Winds
 - Conditional ceiling
 - Conditional visibility

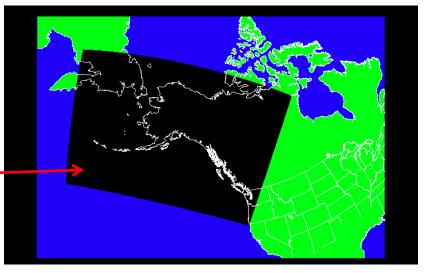


Future Work



- The Gridded LAMP system is being extended to create gridded guidance over the Alaska domain for:
 - Ceiling height
 - Visibility
 - Convection
 - lightning

Alaska Domain



- Alaska Gridded LAMP will:
 - follow existing methodology for CONUS Gridded LAMP
 - use Rapid Refresh (RAP) and/or HRRR model output
- Schedule:
 - MDL will work with AWC and AAWU on demonstrations and evaluation.
 - Planned AK Gridded LAMP prototype evaluations:
 - Ceiling and visibility 2019; Convection and lightning 2020
- * This task is funded through the Office of Atmospheric Research's Joint Technology Transition Initiative



Additional Resources



Additional Resources:

LAMP website: http://weather.gov/mdl/lamp_home

- LAMP Experimental website: http://www.weather.gov/mdl/lamp_experimental
- Contacts: Judy.Ghirardelli@noaa.gov

Thank you!





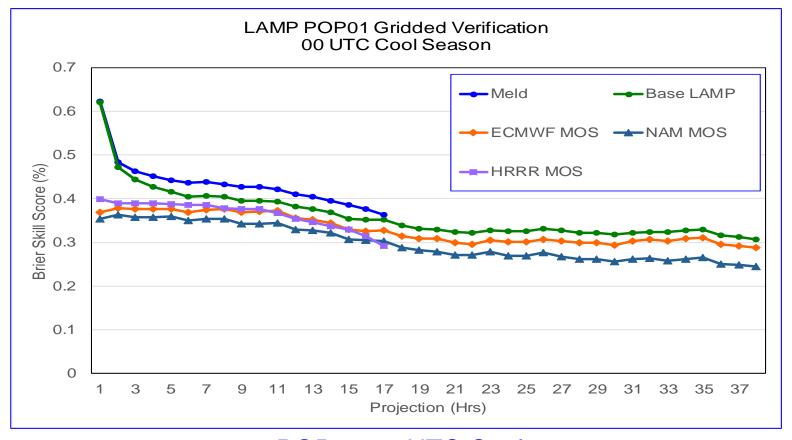
Backup Slides



New Elements: Gridded LAMP POPs



 1-, 6-, and 12-h Probability of Precipitation (POP01, POP06, POP12) to 38 h; POP01 guidance can aid fine scale timing and positioning of predicted precipitation



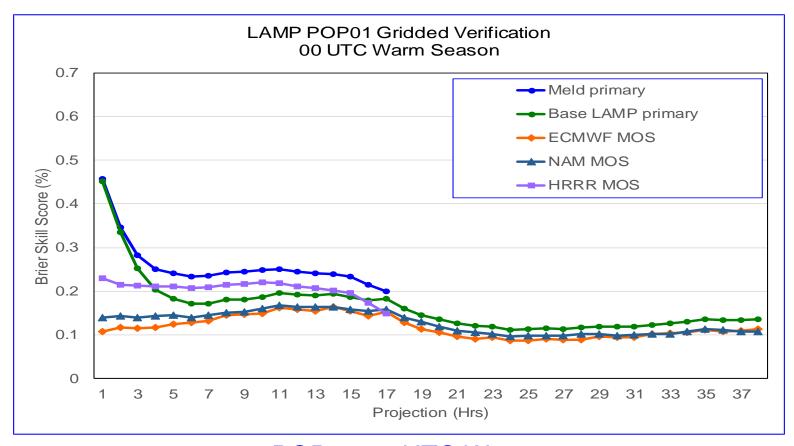
POP01 00 UTC Cool



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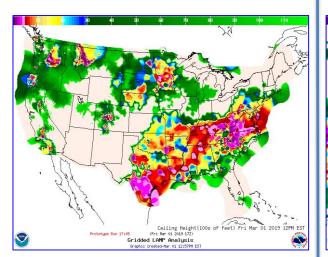


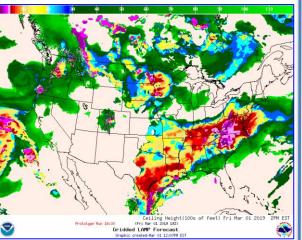
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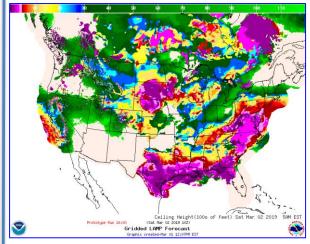


Mitigation for weakness of grids in ocean: New C&V Grid Details









Current
Operational:
Clipped to
CONUS

Grid size: 2145 x 1377

V2.2.0* 00 – 17 hours: Full NBM Domain

Grid size: 2345 x 1597

V2.2.0*
18 – 38 hours:
NBM Domain with oceans and Gulf of Mexico clipped out

Grid size: 2345 x 1597

- Note: due to requirement to minimize footprint growth on SBN, V2.2.0 C&V
 Gridded LAMP grids sent on SBN will continue to be clipped to CONUS.
- V2.2.0 C&V Gridded LAMP grids sent to NOMADS and viewable on website will be as above (middle and right).