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Subject: Soliciting Comments on the Termination of the San Francisco
Marine Stratus Forecast System through May 3, 2020

The NWS is requesting comments through May 3, 2020, on the proposed
termination of the model forecast component of the San Francisco Marine
Stratus Forecast System (SFO MSFS) at:

<https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mtr/stratus>

Due to outdated computational algorithms and information technology
security compliance requirements, the NWS must terminate the model
forecast component of the SFO MSFS. The NWS will continue to make
available the output from the observational components of the SFO MSFS
while those systems are functional. The observational components include
Sonic Detection and Ranging (SODAR) instruments, web cameras and automated
surface observing systems. The SODARs are operating beyond their expected
end of life and will not be repaired or replaced if they stop functioning.

Please direct comments on the termination of this product to:

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