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Subject: Termination of the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate  
Text Product: Effective February 1, 2021

Effective February 1, 2021, the NWS National Hurricane Center will discontinue the Satellite-Derived Tropical Rainfall Estimate text product. This product provided, on an event-driven basis, a tabular depiction of satellite rainfall estimated from tropical cyclones and pre-tropical cyclone disturbances.

The product was primarily intended to provide forecast centers in the Caribbean, Mexico and Central America better satellite based estimates for significant rainfall events. This product was conceived at a time when satellite imagery and model analyses for precipitation were not as readily available as they are today. NWS solicited comments on this termination. Neither domestic or international users raised objections.

Users of the product can now access graphical satellite rainfall estimates from the National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS) at: <https://www.star.nesdis.noaa.gov/smcd/emb/ff/index.php>

Users can find model analyses of rainfall at the NWS Model Analysis and Guidance site:  
<https://mag.ncep.noaa.gov>

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