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Subject: Changed codes in the Weather Prediction Center (WPC)  
Mesoscale Precipitation Discussion (FFGMPD): Effective on or  
about May 19, 2025

This service change affects the WPC MetWatch Mesoscale  
Precipitation Discussion (FFGMPD) product. Effective on or about  
Monday, May 19, 2025, the National Weather Service (NWS) will  
replace the River Forecast Center (RFC) 5-letter identifier  
codes with 3-letter identifier codes. RFC codes are provided in  
the "ATTN..." section of the product to highlight awareness of  
excessive precipitation within the boundaries of the RFC area.

RFC ID changes are as follows (5-letter IDs will be replaced  
with 3-letter IDs):

RFC	5-letter ID	3-letter ID
Alaska-Pacific	APRFC	ACR
Arkansas-Red Basin	ABRFC	TUA
California-Nevada	CNRFC	RSA
Colorado Basin	CBRFC	STR
Lower Mississippi	LMRFC	ORN
Middle Atlantic	MARFC	RHA
Missouri Basin	MBRFC	KRF
North Central	NCRFC	MSR
Northeast	NERFC	TAR
Northwest	NWRFC	PTR
Ohio	OHRFC	TIR
Southeast	SERFC	ALR
West Gulf	WGRFC	FWR

Mesoscale Precipitation Discussions provide short-term guidance  
during heavy rain events that lead to a threat of flash flooding  
to the National Weather Service (NWS) Weather Forecast Offices  
(WFOs), River Forecast Centers (RFCs), the media, emergency  
managers and interested partners.

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