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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...COMMENT REQUEST NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1200 PM EDT FRI JUN 3 2005

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: PAUL HIRSCHBERG CHIEF...SCIENCE PLANS BRANCH OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

SUBJECT: SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENTS BY JULY 8 2005 ON THE REMOVAL OF NGM-BASED MOS REDBOOK GRAPHICS

NWS IS SOLICITING YOUR COMMENTS BY JULY 8 2005 ON PLANS TO REMOVE THE NESTED GRID MODEL /NGM/-BASED MODEL OUTPUT STATISTICS /MOS/ REDBOOK GRAPHICS FROM THE NWS PRODUCTION STREAM.

BACKGROUND:

REDBOOK GRAPHICS CONTAINING NGM-BASED MOS GUIDANCE ARE CURRENTLY DISSEMINATED FOR THE PRODUCTS LISTED BELOW. THE NWS METEOROLOGICAL DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY /MDL/ HAS PRODUCED MOS GUIDANCE BASED ON THE GLOBAL FORECAST SYSTEM /GFS/ MODEL SINCE MAY 2000. THIS GUIDANCE IS A REPLACEMENT FOR THE LEGACY NGM MOS GUIDANCE. ALL OF THE PRODUCTS LISTED BELOW...WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SOLAR ENERGY...HOURS OF SUNSHINE AND PERCENT POSSIBLE SUNSHINE ARE AVAILABLE IN THE GFS-BASED MOS GUIDANCE IN BOTH ALPHANUMERIC AND BINARY UNIVERSAL FORM FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF METEOROLOGICAL FORMAT /BUFR/ FORMAT. THEREFORE...WE ARE PROPOSING TO REMOVE THE OBSOLETE NGM-BASED REDBOOK GRAPHICS.

PROPOSED CHANGE:

PENDING THE RESULTS OF THIS REQUEST FOR COMMENT...ON TUESDAY...SEPTEMBER 20 2005...WE PLAN TO REMOVE THE NGM-BASED MOS REDBOOK GRAPHICS LISTED BELOW FROM THE NWS PRODUCTION STREAM.

THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS WOULD BE REMOVED:

WMO HEADING	PRODUCT	
REDBOOK GRAPHICS	OF CONTOURED	FIELDS:
PJME01 KWNO	24-HOUR NGM	MOS POP /12-HOUR PERIOD/
PJMG01 KWNO	36-HOUR NGM	MOS POP /12-HOUR PERIOD/
PJMI01 KWNO	48-HOUR NGM	MOS POP /12-HOUR PERIOD/
PJMJ01 KWNO	60-HOUR NGM	MOS POP /12-HOUR PERIOD/
PJME02 KWNO	24-HOUR NGM	MOS MAXIMUM/MINIMUM TEMPERATURE
PJMG02 KWNO	36-HOUR NGM	MOS MAXIMUM/MINIMUM TEMPERATURE
PJMI02 KWNO	48-HOUR NGM	MOS MAXIMUM/MINIMUM TEMPERATURE

PJMJ02	KWNO	60-HOUR	NGM MOS	MAXIMUM/N	4INIMUM	TEMPERATURE
PJME11	KWNO	24-HOUR	PERCENT	POSSIBLE	SUNSHIN	ΙE
PJMI11	KWNO	48-HOUR	PERCENT	POSSIBLE	SUNSHIN	ΙE

REDBOOK GRAPHICS OF STATION PLOTS:

PJME03	KWNO	24-HOUR	NGM MOS	MAXIMUM/MINIMUM	TEMPERATURE
PJMG03	KWNO	36-HOUR	NGM MOS	MAXIMUM/MINIMUM	TEMPERATURE
PJMI03	KWNO	48-HOUR	NGM MOS	MAXIMUM/MINIMUM	TEMPERATURE
PJMJ03	KWNO	60-HOUR	NGM MOS	MAXIMUM/MINIMUM	TEMPERATURE
PJME09	KWNO	24-HOUR	SURFACE	SOLAR ENERGY	
PJMI09	KWNO	48-HOUR	SURFACE	SOLAR ENERGY	
PJME10	KWNO	24-HOUR	HOURS OF	F SUNSHINE	
PJMI10	KWNO	48-HOUR	HOURS OF	F SUNSHINE	

PLEASE SEND COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL TO:

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