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SUBJECT: SOLICITING COMMENTS FOR EXPERIMENTAL GRAPHICAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK PRODUCT FOR THE CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE BASIN THROUGH NOVEMBER 30 2009

BEGINNING JUNE 1 2009 AND CONTINUING THROUGH NOVEMBER 30 2008...NWS IS SEEKING FEEDBACK ON AN EXPERIMENTAL GRAPHICAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK /TWO/ FOR THE CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE BASIN.

THE GRAPHICAL PRODUCT IS A COMPANION TO THE TEXT PRODUCT AND WAS FIRST PRODUCED EXPERIMENTALLY IN THE 2008 CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE SEASON. BOTH PRODUCTS ARE PRODUCED BY THE CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE CENTER /CPHC/IN HONOLULU HAWAII. THE TEXT TWO DESCRIBES AREAS OF DISTURBED WEATHER AND THEIR POTENTIAL FOR TROPICAL CYCLONE FORMATION. AREAS OF DISTURBED WEATHER MENTIONED IN THE TEXT PRODUCT ARE HIGHLIGHTED /CIRCLED/ IN THE GRAPHIC AND NUMBERED...WITH THE NUMBERS CORRESPONDING TO THE ORDER IN WHICH THE SYSTEMS ARE DISCUSSED IN THE TEXT TWO.

FOR THE 2009 CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE SEASON...THE GRAPHICAL TWO PRODUCT WILL INCLUDE A NEW EXPERIMENTAL 3-TIERED GENESIS PROBABILITY FORECAST FOR EACH IDENTIFIED SYSTEM. PROBABILITY CATEGORIES OF LOW...MEDIUM AND HIGH...CORRESPONDING TO PROBABILITIES OF LESS THAN 30 PERCENT...30 TO 50 PERCENT...AND GREATER THAN 50 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY WILL BE ASSIGNED TO EACH SYSTEM CIRCLED IN THE GRAPHICAL TWO.

THE PRODUCT WILL BE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/CPHC

A COMPREHENSIVE DESCRIPTION OF THE EXPERIMENTAL GRAPHICAL TROPICAL WEATHER OUTLOOK IS POSTED AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/HAWAII/PAGES/EXAMPLES/GTWO.PDF

USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON THIS EXPERIMENTAL PRODUCT BY USING THE BRIEF SURVEY AND COMMENT FORM AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/SURVEY/NWS-SURVEY.PHP?CODE=GTWO

THE CPHC IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL METEOROLOGICAL DECISIONS CONCERNING FORECASTING OF TROPICAL SYSTEMS FOR THE PACIFIC OCEAN NORTH OF THE EQUATOR FROM 140 DEGREES WEST TO 180 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE.

IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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