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Subject: Soliciting Comments on the Experimental National Marine Weather
Web Portal through July 31, 2014

Effective immediately, and continuing through July 31, 2014, NWS is
seeking user feedback on the Experimental National Marine Weather web
Portal:

<http://preview.weather.gov/mwp>

This new portal displays hazards, forecasts, observations and many other
data layers useful for briefing mariners, coastal managers, emergency
managers and first responders on current and future marine weather.

This webpage can be configured by users to display marine weather
information pertinent to their local geographic area, thus providing
critical decision support services. Observations are included across both
land and sea, and include both fixed observation points and moving ship
observations. Overlays such as satellite and radar data are also
available.

Tropical systems and their forecasted tracks will also be available on the
portal, as well as information from the National Digital Forecast
Database. Other vital datasets available include tides, sea surface
temperatures and analysis and forecasts of key marine variables such as
wind, wind gusts, significant wave height and surface water currents.

An extensive help menu, including video demonstrations on how to interact
with the portal, is available on the page.

The web portal can be found under "Items of Interest to Mariners" via the
marine home page:

www.weather.gov/marine

The portal may also be listed on local NWS Weather Forecast Office
websites under the "marine" link.

Please provide feedback on this experimental webpage by using the brief survey form available at the below link and also available via the feedback link on the portal itself:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/survey/web-survey.php?code=ENMWP>

Pending analysis of comments, the NWS will decide whether or not to make the Marine Weather Web Portal operational.

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