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Subject: Soliciting Comments until February 6, 2015, on Proposed TsunamiReady Guidelines

NWS is accepting comments until February 6, 2015, on proposed TsunamiReady Guidelines.

The TsunamiReady Guidelines have been in place and unchanged since 2001. The NWS began reviewing the guidelines to consider updating them in 2007. In 2010, at the urging of the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program (NTHMP) Coordinating Committee, a contract was awarded to social scientist Dr. Chris Gregg of East Tennessee State University. Dr. Gregg's research team conducted a series of focus groups with emergency managers and community stakeholders to solicit feedback on proposed updated guidelines, including many online and in-person discussions conducted over the summer of 2014.

Based on the findings from the focus groups and ongoing collaboration with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Tsunami Program, NWS Weather Forecast Offices, and the NTHMP, a proposed set of TsunamiReady Guidelines are open for public review and comment. These guidelines correspond with ongoing improvements to the NWS StormReady Guidelines, which have been made to better align the program with the framework emergency managers are accustomed to working in: Mitigation, Preparedness, Response and Recovery.

The proposed TsunamiReady Guidelines are online at:

http://nws.weather.gov/nthmp/tr/

Following the comment period, NWS will evaluate all received comments and decide how to proceed.

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