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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 10-07  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
1245 PM EST TUE JAN 26 2010

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:  
-FAMILY OF SERVICES  
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE  
-EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK  
-NOAAPORT  
OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: FORMAT CHANGES TO THE TROPICAL CYCLONE PUBLIC ADVISORY PRODUCTS  
FOR THE ATLANTIC...EASTERN PACIFIC AND CENTRAL PACIFIC HURRICANE BASINS:  
EFFECTIVE MAY 15 2010

EFFECTIVE MAY 15 2010...BASED ON USER INPUTS...FORMAT CHANGES WILL BE MADE  
IN THE TROPICAL CYCLONE PUBLIC ADVISORY /TCP/ PRODUCT. THE CHANGES WILL  
ALLOW USERS TO MORE EASILY FIND INFORMATION WITHIN STANDARDIZED SECTIONS  
AND PROVIDE EASIER DECODING WITH AUTOMATED PROGRAMS. THE MOST SIGNIFICANT  
CHANGES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE TCP WILL BE ORGANIZED INTO FIVE SECTIONS. EACH SECTION WILL BE  
INTRODUCED USING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING SECTION HEADERS:

- SUMMARY
- WATCHES AND WARNINGS
- DISCUSSION AND 48-HOUR OUTLOOK
- HAZARDS AFFECTING LAND
- NEXT ADVISORY.

2. THE SUMMARY /OR REPEAT/ SECTION OF THE ADVISORY MOVES TO THE TOP OF  
THE PRODUCT...IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE HEADLINE...AS THE FIRST SECTION  
HEADER. THE SUMMARY SECTION EXPANDS TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL GEOGRAPHICAL  
REFERENCE LINES.

3. WATCH AND WARNING INFORMATION WILL BE ORGANIZED DIFFERENTLY AND ACTIVE  
WATCHES AND WARNINGS WILL APPEAR AS A BULLETED LIST.

MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON THE CHANGES TO THE TCP FORMAT...ALONG WITH  
EXAMPLES...IS PROVIDED AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NHC.NOAA.GOV/HELP/TCP.SHTML](http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/help/tcp.shtml)

THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO THE ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM  
/AWIPS/ IDENTIFIERS...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ PRODUCT  
HEADINGS OR PRODUCT ISSUANCE TIMES FOR THE TCP PRODUCTS.

THE NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL METEOROLOGICAL DECISIONS CONCERNING FORECASTING OF TROPICAL AND SUBTROPICAL SYSTEMS FOR THE ATLANTIC OCEAN AND THE EASTERN PACIFIC OCEAN...NORTH OF THE EQUATOR AND EAST OF 140 DEGREES WEST LONGITUDE.

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

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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