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FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE
CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: EXPERIMENTAL MARINE POINT FORECAST WEBPAGES WILL BECOME
OPERATIONAL ON MARCH 8 2010 FOR THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES AND HAWAII

EFFECTIVE MONDAY MARCH 8 2010...NWS MARINE POINT FORECAST CAPABILITY FOR
WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ WEBPAGES WILL TRANSITION FROM EXPERIMENTAL
TO OPERATIONAL STATUS FOR MOST COASTAL WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES. MARINE
POINT FORECASTS FOR THE GREAT LAKES ARE ALREADY OPERATIONAL. MARINE POINT
FORECASTS FOR ALASKA...GUAM...AMERICAN SAMOA AND MICRONESIA WILL BE
DEVELOPED IN THE FUTURE.

LINKS TO MARINE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES MAY BE FOUND AT THE LINK BELOW
/USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OM/MARINE/MARINE_MAP.HTM](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/marine_map.htm)

AT PRESENT...THERE IS A MIX OF APPROACHES TO REACH THE EXPERIMENTAL MARINE
POINT FORECASTS. EFFECTIVE MARCH 8 2010...CLICKING ON THE MAP FOR ALL
COASTAL WFOS WILL LINK TO THE ZONE FORECAST FIRST THEN ALLOW FURTHER
ZOOMING TO THE POINT OF INTEREST. FOR WFOS SERVING THE GREAT LAKES...MAPS
FOR WEBPAGES WILL CONTINUE TO LINK TO THE POINT FORECAST FIRST.

FORECAST INFORMATION FOR THESE MARINE POINT FORECAST PAGES IS BASED ON
DIGITAL DATA. MARINERS ARE CAUTIONED THESE FORECASTS ARE VALID ONLY FOR
THE SELECTED GRID POINT...NOT FOR THE LARGER SURROUNDING AREAS. MARINERS
ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO ALSO CHECK ZONE MARINE FORECASTS FOR SURROUNDING
AREAS.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IMPORTANT TO MARINERS...INCLUDING CURRENT MARINE
WATCHES...WARNINGS...ADVISORIES...NEARBY SURFACE OBSERVATIONS AND OTHER
PERTINENT INFORMATION IS PROVIDED ON MARINE POINT FORECAST PAGES.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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