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Subject: Discontinuance of the Experimental Recently Updated Grids Service (RUGS)

On Friday, April 20, 2012, beginning at 1200 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the experimental RUGS will be discontinued. In 2009, the NWS established an Internet service that allowed users of the National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) to determine which files had been recently updated. There has been little interest expressed in this service since its implementation. Moreover, recent hardware failures have made it impossible for the NWS to offer this service reliably.

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