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Subject: Name Change of the West Coast/Alaska Tsunami Warning Center to  
National Tsunami Warning Center: Effective October 1, 2013

Effective October 1, 2013, the NWS West Coast/Alaska Tsunami Warning Center (WC/ATWC) will be known as the National Tsunami Warning Center (NTWC). The only change to the NTWC product suite will be the Center's name in the Mass News Disseminator (MND) Header. All Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System (AWIPS) and World Meteorological Organization (WMO) identifiers will remain the same. The Center's current URL will continue to function:

<http://wcatwc.arh.noaa.gov>

A new URL also will link to the same site on or before October 1, 2013:

<http://ntwc.arh.noaa.gov>

The present issuing office line in the MND header is:

NWS WEST COAST/ALASKA TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER PALMER AK

After the change, the issuing office line in the MND header will be:

NWS NATIONAL TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER PALMER AK

The new name is intended to better identify the Center's area of responsibility, which is the ocean coasts of all states except Hawaii as well as Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, and Canada. The new change will help mitigate confusion caused by the former name which did not reflect the area of responsibility.

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