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Subject: Planned Decommissioning of cell.weather.gov: Effective March 7, 2017

Effective March 7, 2017, the National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) Central Operations (NCO) will discontinue the URL cell.weather.gov. Users can continue to access mobile services at the following links:

<http://mobile.weather.gov> and <https://forecast.weather.gov>

A temporary redirect will be put in place which will redirect users from: <http://cell.weather.gov> to <http://mobile.weather.gov> for 60 days to allow users to make a smooth transition to the new service.

The URL to be discontinued hosts a legacy application designed for use before 2004 that is no longer maintainable. Site usage has significantly decreased in the last several years as well. The URL's main use was to provide weather data to low bandwidth users on older technology cell phones. Users of this service will need to update any bookmarks to properly view their information at the equivalent service on mobile.weather.gov or forecast.weather.gov.

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