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Subject: Soliciting Comments until November 4, 2018, on Ending
Dissemination of Redbook Graphic Images as Part of the NWS Operational
Delivery of the CPC Days 3-14 U.S. Hazards Outlook on November 6, 2018

The National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) Climate
Prediction Center (CPC) is accepting comments on terminating Redbook
graphic images as part of the Days 3-14 U.S. Hazards Outlook operational
production until November 4, 2018. Pending feedback, these graphics will
be discontinued on November 6, 2018.

CPC currently releases the Days 3-7 and Days 8-14 U.S. Hazard Outlook
graphic maps in several forms:

- Static portable network graphic (PNG) images on the web
- Redbook Graphic format via the Advanced Weather Interactive Processing
System (AWIPS)
- Shapefile format also available via the web.

CPC has received feedback at conferences and through other interactions
with stakeholders that the Redbook graphic format is rarely used and the
majority of users prefer the other two formats noted above. Examples and
access to these proposed two remaining formats are available at:

<http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/products/predictions/threats/threats.php>

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