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          NCEP/Environmental Modeling Center

Subject: Soliciting Public Comments through April 19, 2013, on the Removal  
of NCEP's Legacy Climate Diagnostic Center Products

The National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) is proposing to stop producing the legacy Climate Diagnostic Center (CDC) ensemble-based precipitation and surface temperature grids and disseminating them via the NCEP server. These products are not disseminated via NOAAPort. NWS is seeking comments on this proposed change through April 19, 2013.

NCEP runs a system developed by the CDC that uses an early global atmospheric version of the Climate Data Analysis System (CDAS) with a resolution of T62 and 28 model layers. This is followed by a 15 member (control with seven pairs) ensemble forecast, run at the 0000 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) cycle only. Forecasts for precipitation and 995mb temperature out to 360 hours are posted on the NCEP server at:

<http://www.ftp.ncep.noaa.gov/data/nccf/com/cdc/prod/> or  
<ftp://ftp.ncep.noaa.gov/pub/data/nccf/com/cdc/prod/>

These products have become obsolete and have been replaced by the current operational output from the CDAS and Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS). More details about the products available from these systems is available at:

<http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/products/>

NWS will evaluate all comments to determine whether to proceed with this change. If approved, NWS will issue a Service Change Notice giving 30 days' notice of the implementation date.

Send comments on this proposal to:

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