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Subject: Soliciting Comments on Proposed Termination of the Day 3-7
Hemispheric Charts through April 12, 2024

Through April 12, 2024, the National Weather Service (NWS) is soliciting comments on the proposed termination of the Day 3-7 Hemispheric Charts (hemispheric graphic products for each of days 3-7). These charts are graphical products that depict the locations of surface fronts and pressures over a portion of the Northern Hemisphere.

The Hemispheric Charts are similar to other forecast charts produced for domains centered over the contiguous United States (CONUS) and Alaska. The CONUS and Alaska charts will continue to be produced regardless of whether the Hemispheric Charts are terminated.

The Day 3-7 Hemispheric Charts and CONUS charts are available at:

<https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/medr/medr.shtml>

The Day 4-8 Alaska charts are available at:

<https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/alaska/akmedr.shtml>

Additionally, the Ocean Prediction Center currently produces forecast charts for three domains over the Arctic/Alaska, Pacific Ocean, and Atlantic Ocean through Day 4, with a Day 5 forecast for major low pressures included on the Day 4 chart with an arrow and an X depicting the forecast Day 5 location. These charts are available at the following URLs:

https://ocean.weather.gov/AK_tab.php
https://ocean.weather.gov/Pac_tab.php
https://ocean.weather.gov/Atl_tab.php

Therefore, charts depicting forecast fronts and pressure centers would remain available for most of the same domain and same time periods as the Northern Hemispheric Charts.

If you have comments regarding these changes, please contact:

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