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Subject: Termination of Select Global Forecast System (GFS) Products:  
Effective June 3, 2014

Effective Tuesday, June 3, 2014, with the 1200 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) cycle, the National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) will stop producing some low-resolution gridded products, text products in obsolete formats, and legacy graphical products from the Global Forecast System (GFS), and stop disseminating them via NOAAPort.

A Public Information Statement was issued on February 19, 2014 requesting comments on the proposed termination of multiple legacy GFS products:

[https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdfs/pns14gfs\\_legacy\\_removal.pdf](https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdfs/pns14gfs_legacy_removal.pdf)

Based on responses received, NWS will terminate the following products on June 3, 2014:

Gridded Products:

- 0.5 degree resolution RTG Sea Surface Temperature (SST) analysis
- 1 degree Reynolds 7-day SST analysis on Family of Services grid
- 1 degree Reynolds 7-day SST analysis on WAFS grid
- Gridded binary version one (GRIB1) GFS model output on the Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System (AWIPS) grid 213 for a 95km contiguous U.S. (CONUS) domain

Text Products:

- Upper Wind Fallout Forecasts
- GFS output in legacy GRID format
- Text bulletins of ship observations from GFS analysis

Graphical Products:

- Redbook graphics plots of normal maximum and minimum temperature
- Facsimile (FAX) charts of winds and temperatures at various flight levels
- FAX charts of surface analyses for various domains

More specific details about the products, including the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) headers of these products, are provided at:

[http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/changes/docs/gfs\\_legacy\\_remove2014\\_final.shtml](http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/changes/docs/gfs_legacy_remove2014_final.shtml)

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