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Subject: Soliciting Comments on Proposed Termination of Three National Hurricane Center Guidance Messages Through March 23, 2017

Effectively immediately and continuing through March 23, 2017, the National Hurricane Center (NHC) is seeking user feedback on the proposed termination of three products that contain limited tropical cyclone guidance information.

The following text products would be terminated:

AWIPS ID Product Name WMO Header

Geophysical Fluid Dynamics WHXX04 KWBC CHGQLM

Laboratory (GFDL) Hurricane

Model Message

Tropical Cyclone WHXX01 KWBC **CHGHUR**

Guidance Message

(Atlantic basin)

Tropical Cyclone WHXX01 KMIA CHGE77

Guidance Message (Eastern and Central Pacific basins)

The GFDL Hurricane Model Message (CHGQLM) product is proposed to be discontinued because the GFDL Hurricane Model is proposed to be discontinued before the start of the 2017 hurricane season. Please see Public Information Statement 17-07 for details:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notification/pns17-07gfdl.htm

The Beta Advection (BAM) and Limited Barotropic (LBAR) tropical cyclone track models included in the latter two Tropical Cyclone Guidance Message products will be discontinued before the start of the 2017 hurricane season. The BAM models are not being

transitioned to the new WCOSS Cray supercomputer and the LBAR model is obsolete. These changes eliminate all of the track model guidance included in the Tropical Cyclone Guidance Message products, leaving only the Statistical Hurricane Intensity Prediction Scheme (SHIPS) intensity model output in the Tropical Cyclone Guidance Message products if they continued to be issued.

Users can access a comprehensive real-time database of tropical cyclone guidance models, which includes the SHIPS model and other models that provide tropical cyclone track and intensity guidance at:

ftp://ftp.nhc.noaa.gov/atcf/aid_public/

If you have questions or comments on the proposed changes please contact:

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