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Subject: NWS Hazard Simplification Project: Collecting Public Comment on the Proposed Consolidation and Reformatting of NWS Flood Hazard Messaging Products through September 7, 2018

Through September 7, 2018, NWS is collecting comments on a proposed consolidation (i.e., reduce the number) and reformatting (i.e., simplified product text) of flood-based Watches, Warnings and Advisories (WWA)for River Flood, Areal Flood, Coastal Flood, and Lakeshore Flood products.

A listing of the specific proposals along with examples of the proposed consolidated and reformatted messages is contained in the Product Description Document at the link below:

https://products.weather.gov/PDD/PDD_Flood_HazSimp_v2.pdf

The survey is available at the following link and will remain open through September 7, 2018:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Flood18

Based on feedback received, NWS may implement some or all of the proposals in early 2020. A Service Change Notice with minimum 75-day lead time would be issued in advance of any operational changes.

HazSimp Website:

http://www.weather.gov/hazardsimplification/

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