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SUBJECT: Termination of Black and White Background Version of
 the Daily Weather Map Weekly Publication Effective
 Thursday, June 16, 2016

Effective Thursday, June 16, 2016, the black and white background version of the Daily Weather Map Weekly publication will be terminated. The color background version of the long-running series of the Daily Weather Map Weekly publication will continue to be available on line at:

www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/dailywxmap/pdf/files.html

The content of the black and white background and color background Daily Weather Map Weekly publications are identical except for the background color.

Black and white versions have been produced to specifications needed for commercial printing and distribution of the publication through U.S. mail that ceased in 2002. Since early 2003, the Daily Weather Map Weekly publication has been available for download via the internet and is no longer officially printed or mailed. Modern black and white (toner) printers can replicate the color versions of the Daily Weather Map Weekly publication using default or grayscale settings. This capability eliminates the need to produce two versions of the publication. On average, the color background publication files are also about 4-5 megabytes smaller than the black and white files, allowing for faster download and more efficient use of storage space.

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