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Subject: Cancelled: Impact Based Warnings (IBW) to become
 operational at all CONUS NWS Weather Forecast Offices
 (WFO) on February 28, 2017

Canceled: This product will remain experimental until further notice.

The NWS has been experimenting with the IBW format since 2014 at a variety of WFOs. Successes with this format along with comments received from the public, partners and social scientists have all been positive. Due to the success of the experiment, the NWS will go operational with the IBW format at all the CONUS WFOs effective February 28, 2017.

Severe Thunderstorm Warning (SVR), Tornado Warning (TOR) and Severe Weather Statement (SVS) products will be stratified into categories distinguishing extreme cases from base convective warnings. Additional enhanced wording will be included to convey information about associated impacts, specific hazards expected, and recommended actions, both within the bullet statements and as part of the tag line codes.

Additional information and product examples are online at:
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