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- To: Subscribers: -NOAA Weather Wire Service -Emergency Managers Weather Information Network -NOAAPORT Other NWS Partners, Users and Employees
- From: David Myrick Office of Science and Technology Integration
- Subject: Updated: Removal of the NCEP RTOFS Atlantic Forecasting System Effective March 21, 2017

Updated to reflect that the removal of Real Time Ocean Forecasting System (RTOFS) Atlantic has been rescheduled for Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Effective on or about March 21, 2017, the National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) will discontinue the North Atlantic Basin RTOFS Atlantic. This system has been superseded by the RTOFS Global, which became operational October 2011.

NWS issued a Public Information Statement on November 14, 2016, requesting comments on the proposed termination of this model:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notification/pns16-36rtofs\_atlantic\_remove.htm

Based on responses received, NCEP will discontinue the RTOFS Atlantic. RTOFS Atlantic output products were never made available on NOAAPORT. They are only available on the NCEP ftp servers at:

ftp://ftp.ncep.noaa.gov/pub/data/nccf/com/ofs/prod/ http://www.ftp.ncep.noaa.gov/data/nccf/com/ofs/prod/ofs.YYYYMMDD where YYYYMMDD is the year, month and day.

More details about the suite of products from the Global RTOFS that replaced the legacy RTOFS Atlantic are available at

http://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/pmb/products/rtofs/#Global

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