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SUBJECT: Change to Available Formats of Precipitation Products on the Advanced Hydrologic Prediction Service's (AHPS) Precipitation

Download Webpage Effective on or After June 19, 2017

Updated effective date to on or after June 19, 2017, and the URL for examples of precipitation products in GeoTIFF and CF-netCDF formats

Effective on or after June 19, 2017, observed, normal, departure from normal, and percent of normal precipitation products on the AHPS precipitation download webpage at:

http://water.weather.gov/precip/download.php

will be available in the following formats:

- GeoTIFF
- Climate and Forecast (CF)-Network Common Data Form (netCDF).

Precipitation products will no longer be available in the following formats:

- netCDF not adhering to the netCDF CF metadata convention
- shapefile.

Examples of precipitation products in GeoTIFF and CF-netCDF formats are online at:

http://preview-water.weather.gov/precip/downloads

Partners and users of AHPS precipitation products should modify their systems to accommodate the new file formats. Switching to the new file formats will reduce file size and enable precipitation products to be available sooner.

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