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Subject: Four NWS WFOs will stop issuing local tropical

cyclone forecast products effective on or about

June 1, 2018

Effective on or about June 1, 2018, four NWS Southern Region Weather Forecast Offices (WFO) will no longer issue local tropical cyclone products:

WFO Midland (MAF)
WFO San Angelo (SJT)
WFO Norman (OUN)
WFO Tulsa (TSA)

Based on tropical cyclone climatological return periods and feedback from local emergency management, the WFOs listed above will no longer issue the WFO Tropical Cyclone Local Watch/Warning Product (TCV) and Hurricane Local Statement (HLS).

These offices will, instead, use the Non-Precipitation Warning (NPW) products when hurricane or tropical storm force winds from a tropical cyclone are expected to impact their area of responsibility.

Below is a listing of the tropical products these WFOs are discontinuing and their AWIPS Product Identifiers (PIL) and World Meteorological Office (WMO) Code.

PRODUCT	AWIPS PIL	WMO CODE
Tropical Cyclone Local Watch/Warning	TCVMAF	WTUS84
Tropical Cyclone Local Watch/Warning	TCVSJT	WTUS84
Tropical Cyclone Local Watch/Warning	TCVOUN	WTUS84
Tropical Cyclone Local Watch/Warning	TCVTSA	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSMAF	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSSJT	WTUS84
Hurricane Local Statement	HLSOUN	WTUS84
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Below is a listing of tropical products being discontinued with AWIPS identifiers (PIL) and Valid Time Event Code (VTEC).

AWIPS PRODUCT	AWIPS PIL VTEC					
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVMAF	TR.A,	TR.W,	HU.A,	HU.W	
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVSJT	TR.A,	TR.W,	HU.A,	HU.W	
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVOUN	TR.A,	TR.W,	HU.A,	HU.W	
Hurricane Local Watch/Warning	TCVTSA	TR.A,	TR.W,	HU.A,	HU.W	

Updated information on tropical cyclone product issuances will be online before June 1, 2018, in NWS Instruction (NWSI) 10-601:

## http://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/010/010.htm

Additional information on UGC and VTEC can be found in NWSI 10-1702 and NWSI 10-1703, respectively at:

## http://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/010/010.htm

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