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From: Mike Hopkins, NOAA
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Subject: Transition of the Radiosonde Replacement System (RRS) at Albany, New York to the 403 MHz Manual Radiosonde Observation System (MROS) on or about October 25, 2023

The National Weather Service will convert one Upper Air site to Manual Radiosonde Observation System (MROS) 403 MHz operations in October 2023. Transition will occur on or about the MROS start date indicated.

Upper Air Site	WMO ID	STN ID	MROS Start	MROS Sonde
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Albany, NY	72518	KALY	October 25, 2023	GRAW DFM-17

During the transition period of up to 30 days, dual radiosonde flights may be performed until the MROS is declared operational for the regularly scheduled observations of 00 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) and 12 UTC.

For additional information on the message requirements, see World Meteorological Organization (WMO) 306 Manual on Codes (International Codes):

- Volume I.1 Part A - Alphanumeric Codes
- Volume I.2 Part B - Binary Codes
- Volume II Regional Codes and National Coding Practices (WMO Region IV)

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