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Subject: Change to the Transmission Deadline of the Weather Prediction Center QPF: Effective on March 1, 2023

Effective today, March 1, 2023, at 2200 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the National Weather Service (NWS) Weather Prediction Center (WPC) will modify the transmission deadlines for a subset of its quantitative precipitation forecast (QPF) product suite. These changes will support testing NWS internal procedural changes that align QPF production among our different offices.

The deadline modification will apply to Day 1-3 QPFs currently issued at 0900 UTC and 2100 UTC. The Day 1-3 QPF deadlines will be 60 minutes later, at 1000 UTC and 2200 UTC. Also, in support of the alignment among our different offices, these QPFs will be composed of collaborated Weather Forecast Office (WFO) National Digital Forecast Database (NDFD) forecasts across the contiguous United States (CONUS). Note that no changes will take place to WPC Day 1-3 QPFs issued at 0600 UTC and 1800 UTC, nor to the WPC Day 4-7 QPFs issued at 0400 UTC and 1600 UTC.

A complete listing of the products affected can be found at:

https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/ref/WPC_QPF_SCN_Products.pdf

Depending on internal and external feedback, these timing changes may be adjusted in the future.

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