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Subject: Eastern Pacific National Tropical Cyclone Watch/Warning (TCV)  
Product Issued by the National Hurricane Center to Include Both Inland and  
Coastal Tropical Cyclone Wind Watches and Warnings Beginning on or around  
June 15, 2023

Effective on or around June 15, 2023, the National Hurricane Center (NHC)  
will update the content of the National Tropical Cyclone Watch/Warning  
(TCV) product issued for the Eastern Pacific basin to include both inland  
and coastal tropical cyclone wind watches and warnings.

The National TCV product issued by the NHC for the Eastern Pacific basin  
(TCVEP#) will include all NWS-issued zone-based tropical cyclone wind  
watches and warnings from both NHC and local Weather Forecast Offices  
(WFOs) in San Diego and Los Angeles/Oxnard, CA. Previously, the National  
TCV for the Eastern Pacific basin only included coastal tropical cyclone  
wind watches and warnings. This change will align the Eastern Pacific  
National TCV product issued by the NHC with the corresponding product that  
is issued for the Atlantic basin (TCVAT#), with the exclusion of Storm  
Surge Watches and Warnings since those are not issued for the Eastern  
Pacific basin.

The National TCV is issued within approximately 15 minutes after the  
normal advisory time as inland watches and warnings are compiled into the  
product with the coastal watches and warnings. In some circumstances,  
such as for the issuance of special advisories, it may be delayed as much  
as 45 minutes after the advisory time.

The national TCV for the Eastern Pacific Basin will contain Universal  
Geographic Code (UGC) and the following Valid Time Event Codes (VTEC):

TR.A - Tropical Storm Watch  
TR.W - Tropical Storm Warning  
HU.A - Hurricane Watch  
HU.W - Hurricane Warning

Additional information regarding the National TCV can be found in NWSI 10-607 (Tropical Cyclone Forecast Center Products):

<https://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/sym/pd01006007curr.pdf>

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