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Subject: Updated: Soliciting Comments through October 30, 2020 for
Potential Changes to Tsunami Advisory Text Product Formats

Updated to change the word "Advisory" to "Warning" in the Spanish version
of the PNS and Survey.

To view this Public Information Statement in Spanish, see this link (Para
acceder al Comunicado de Informacion Publica en espanol presione aqui):

https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdf2/pns20-69tsunami_hazsimp_spanishaaa.pdf

The NWS is collecting comments through October 30, 2020, on proposed
changes to its Tsunami Advisory products. This proposal is part of the
broader Hazard Simplification effort within NWS.

NWS currently issues Tsunami Advisory products to alert stakeholders to
lower-magnitude tsunami events that may pose a danger to coastal
communities. In some situations, Tsunami Advisory products may be
misunderstood in terms of their expected impacts to coastal populations,
along with the associated protective actions that need to be taken. It is
proposed that a new way of communicating the exact nature of the danger
may reduce some of the confusion surrounding these lower-magnitude
products. Therefore, the NWS is soliciting comments on potential new
product options as follows:

Option A: Tsunami Warning for Strong Currents [with Tsunami in Header]
Option B: Harbor and Beach Warning [without Tsunami in Header]
Option C: Harbor and Beach Tsunami Warning [with Tsunami in Header]

Please see the NWS Product Description Document (PDD) for more details:

https://nws.weather.gov/products/PDD/PDD_Tsunami_Advisory_Products_for_Haz_Simp_2020-9-25-20.pdf

Please provide feedback concerning these options using the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/tsunamiadvisory>

En español: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SpanishTsunami>

Based on feedback received, NWS may implement this new product language and text format.

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