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Subject: Updated: Termination of the Global Ensemble Forecast System (GEFS)-based Model Output Statistics (MOS) Product (MEN) on or about April 23, 2019

Updated to change the termination date from April 16, 2019, to April 23, 2019.

The Meteorological Development Laboratory (MDL) will terminate the GEFS MOS product on or about Tuesday, April 23, 2019, after the 0000 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) model cycle time. Public Information Statement 18-31, soliciting comments on this action, was disseminated on November 6, 2018:

https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdfs/pns1831terminate gefsmos gmos.pdf

GEFS MOS (MOS Ensemble; MEN) is a legacy ensemble product that has not been updated in more than 10 years. The system on which it currently runs is scheduled to be deactivated. MDL has no plans to upgrade this product to run on a new platform, and is discontinuing it in favor of the Ensemble Kernel Density MOS (EKDMOS).

The GEFS MOS is available on the GEFS MOS website:

https://www.weather.gov/mdl/mos gfsmos ensemble

It is also available via ftp at:

ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/DF.anf/DC.ensmos/DS.c00mex/
(control run)

and:

ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/DF.anf/DC.ensmos/
(perturbation members)

These will no longer be available following the termination of this product.

EKDMOS uses updated equations from the GEFS. Users of the GEFS MOS product are encouraged to use EKDMOS products as a replacement:

EKDMOS website:

https://www.weather.gov/mdl/ekdmos home

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