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Subject: Soliciting Comments through December 1, 2024 to Support Termination of the 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic and the Non-Technical 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic

The National Weather Service (NWS) is soliciting comments through December 1, 2024 to assess the termination of the 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic and also the Non-Technical 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic. The termination is proposed due to similar automated output called "Automated Low Clusters" that will be utilized as a Forecast Tool on the Weather Prediction Center (WPC) website.

Table 1. Operational NWS Product Affected by These Changes:

Product Name	WMO Heading	AWIPS ID
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72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic	PSA072 KWNH	LWTK72

The most recent 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic can be viewed here:

https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/lowtracks/lowtrack_ensembles.gif

The most recent Non-Technical 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic can be viewed here:

https://www.wpc.ncep.noaa.gov/wwd/lowtrack_circles.gif

A description of both the 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic and also the Non-Technical 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic can be found in the National Winter Weather Products Specification, NWS Instruction 10-514 Directive here:

https://www.weather.gov/media/directives/010_pdfs/pd01005014curr.pdf

An example image of the "Automated Low Clusters" Forecast Tool is here:

https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/lowtracks_sample.pdf

Input on the proposed termination of both the 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic and also the Non-Technical 72-Hour Low Tracks Graphic is being sought from users via the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/72hrlowtrackstermination>

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