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Subject: Upgrade of the Real Time Ocean Forecast System (RTOFS) to version 2.4: Effective September 13, 2024

Effective on or about Tuesday, September 13, 2024 with the 1200 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) cycle, The National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP) will upgrade the Real Time Ocean Forecast System (RTOFS) to v2.4.

The proposed changes include:

- HYCOM upgrades that mitigate HYCOM crashes and improve model stability
- Added integrity check for all netCDF and HDF5 data
- Added Restart capability for Hybrid Ocean Model (HYCOM)
- Added processing of GOES-18 data

The above changes will help prevent delays in delivery times.

Selected OpenDAP files for rtofs_glo_3dz will be removed from NOMADS with this upgrade.

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rtofs_glo_3dz_nowcast *.info
rtofs_glo_3dz_nowcast *.dds
rtofs_glo_3dz_nowcast *.das
rtofs_glo_3dz_forecast *.info
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