

Update on TDWR SPG Product Distribution

18 February 2009

NEW UPDATE AS OF 2/18/09:

1. **Beta Test of TDWR SPG Product Distribution Update.** Last week the flow of data from the JFK TDWR to the New York City WFO and SPG began. The NWS plans to activate central collection of TJKF TDWR SPG products either today, 2/18, or on 2/19 around 1500 UTC.
2. **Implementation of TDWR SPG Product Flow from Remaining Sites.**
 - a. The NWS intends to begin Central Server connections to the remaining TDWR-SPGs the week of 23 February. Potential connections to be added the week of 23 February are:

<u>WFO</u>	<u>TDWR SPG ID</u>
San Juan	TSJU
Memphis	TMEM
Tampa	TTPA
Denver	TDEN
Tulsa	TTUL

- b. We plan to complete the connections to all TDWR SPGs by the end of May 2009. The “ramp up” of connections will be dependent on the installation of AWIPS OB9 software in advance. Updates will be sent in advance of connection initiations.
3. **Beta Test of TDWR SPG Build 3.1.** The Beta Test of the TDWR SPG software Build 3.1 is scheduled to begin at the following sites and estimated dates (only TLVE is connected to the central collection at this time).

<u>WFO</u>	<u>TDWR SPG ID</u>	<u>Planned Start Date</u>
Cleveland	TLVE	Completed (2/12/09)
Phoenix	TPHX	18 February
Wichita	TICH	24 February
Nashville	TBNA	25 February

- The software primarily addresses security, configuration changes discovered during deployment, and fix a few “bugs.” We do not believe these changes will impact user software.
4. **Beta Test of RIDGE Radar Version 2 Displays Revised Start Date.** The start date of the RIDGE2 Beta Test has been moved to March 4, 2009. More information about the test and RIDGE 2 can be found in the NWS Service Change Notice (SCN) 09-03, Announcement of Comment Period for RIDGE Radar Version 2 Beta Displays Effective February 18, 2009.
 5. **New Location for TDWR SPG Information.** We are ending support to the TDWR SPG FTP site we have been using. Please visit the new web site for TDWR SPG updates and information: <http://www.roc.noaa.gov/spg/>.

6. **New TDWR SPG Product Tools at NCDC.** Last week the National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) released version 2.3.0 BETA of the Weather and Climate Toolkit (<http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/wct/>). Changes in this version include support for all TDWR data, including TR?, TV? and TZL. Also now supported are DHR and DSP for all NEXRAD and TDWR. TDWR site locations are also available in the 'Overlay Selector'. For a list of other new features check out: <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/wct/newfeatures.php>

This link will download and launch the Toolkit with TLVE TZL data 'preloaded' in the Data Selector:

<http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/oa/wct/wct-jnlp-beta.php?dataurl=ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/DF.of/DC.radar/DS.186z/SL.tlve/>

When the "Data Selector" window appears, from the "Custom" tab, click "List Files", select one and click "Load". You can switch to other radars and products by either typing in the different product or site id or pasting in a new URL from <ftp://tgftp.nws.noaa.gov/SL.us008001/DF.of/DC.radar/>

NCDC is archiving TDWR SPG Level III products. The products can be inventoried and ordered from <http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/nexradinv/choosesite.jsp>

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