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Secondary Processors of GOES DCS Data

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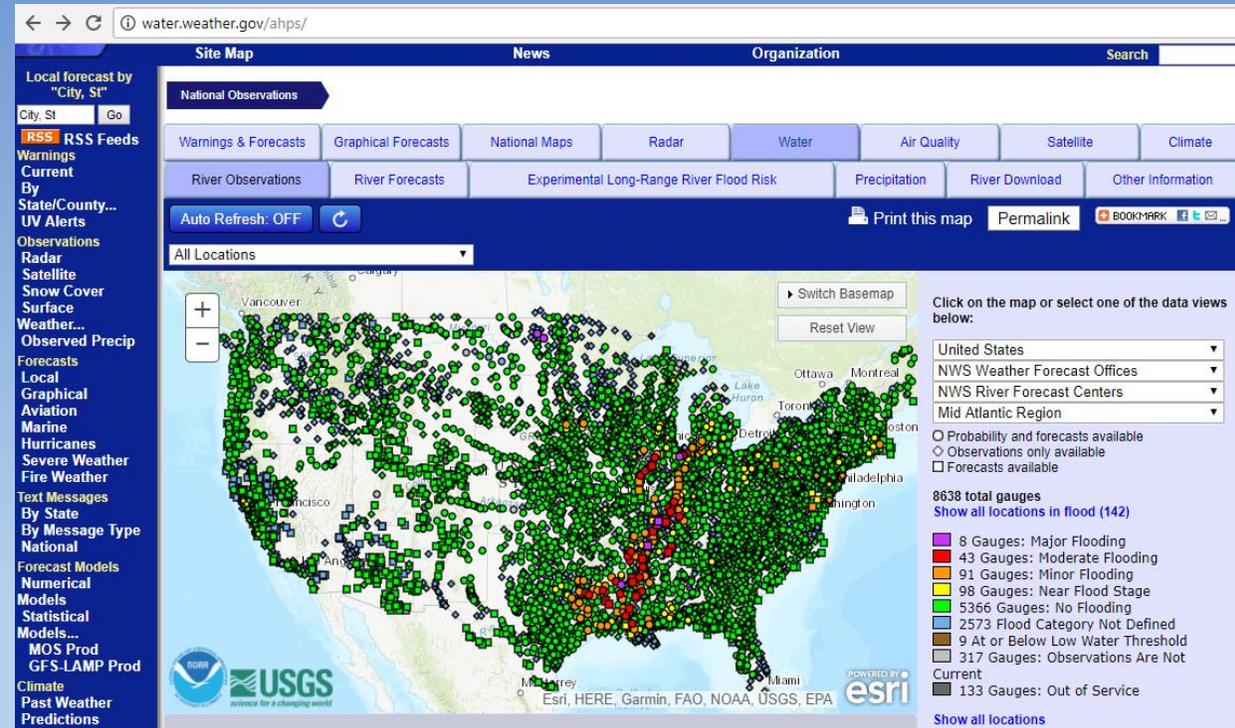
- National Weather Service system
- Secondary Processors of GOES DCPs (**HADS owns no DCPs**)
- NOAA Primary Mission Essential Function
- Operational since 1992
- Stakeholders
 - 152 NWS Field Offices
 - National Centers for Environmental Prediction (NCEP)
 - National Operational Hydrologic Remote Sensing Center (NOHRSC)
 - National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI)
 - Multi-Radar/Multi-Sensor System (MRMS)
 - **Advanced Hydrologic Prediction System (AHPS)**
 - **Other agencies via HADS Public Website**
- 2 People provide Tier 2 support (handle decoding, metadata updates, etc.)
- 1 Person provides Tier 3 support (system support and help to Tier 2 support)



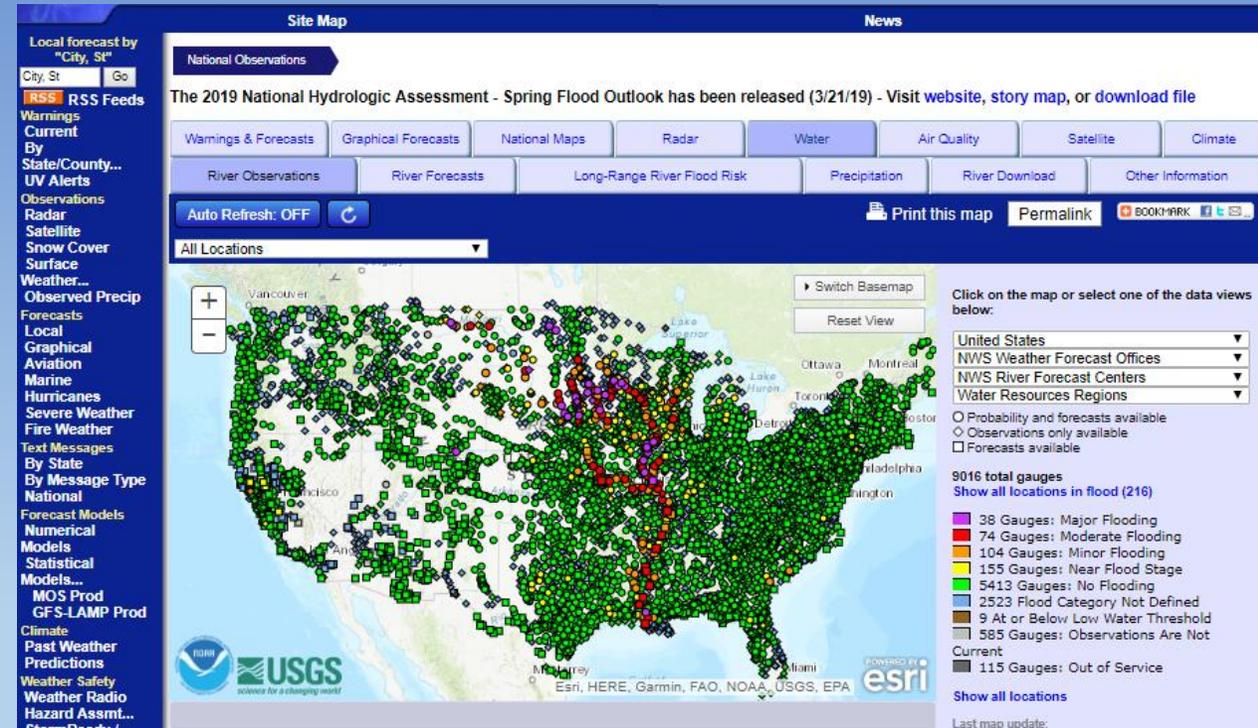
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AHPS Website



Spring 2018 (Date Unknown)



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USGS Floods Website

https://water.usgs.gov/floods/

Additional Resources for Current Conditions and Forecasts

- USGS FLOOD EVENT VIEWER
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- USGS SURGE, WAVE, AND TIDE HYDRODYNAMICS (SWaTH) NETWORK
- U.S. WATER MONITOR
- NWS RIVERWATCH FORECASTS:
 - Missouri River Basin
 - Upper Mississippi River Basin
 - Ohio River Basin
 - Lower Mississippi River Basin

NWS River Observations and Forecast.
Use the interactive map below or click here to jump to the National Weather Service AHPS site for a larger version.

Auto Refresh: OFF

All Locations | River Observations | River Forecasts

144 total gauges
Show all locations in flood (144)

- 8 Gauges: Major Flooding
- 43 Gauges: Moderate Flooding
- 93 Gauges: Minor Flooding
- 0 Gauges: Near Flood Stage
- 0 Gauges: No Flooding
- 0 Flood Category Not Defined
- 0 At or Below Low Water Threshold
- 0 Gauges: Observations Are Not Current
- 0 Gauges: Out of Service

What's UTC time? Map Help

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218 total gauges
Show all locations in flood (218)

- 39 Gauges: Major Flooding
- 73 Gauges: Moderate Flooding
- 106 Gauges: Minor Flooding
- 0 Gauges: Near Flood Stage
- 0 Gauges: No Flooding
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Your Agency's Data Collections Platforms save lives and property!



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NWS Weather Forecast Office – Omaha
Valley, Nebraska

on or about March 17, 2019





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Imagine if these were the homes of your friends, your family, or you.

GOES DCPs CAN and DO save lives and property





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How can your agency help the NWS save lives and property?

1. PDTs

- Update your PDT as soon and complete as possible after programming/reprogramming and/or moving your DCP.
- If discontinuing a DCP, noting "DISCONTINUED" it in the location name would be helpful
- If moving it to a new NESDIS ID, temporarily referencing the new ID in the location name of the old PDT would be helpful. (e.g. "MOVED TO FF112233")
- Include SHEF codes to describe the sensor, preferably in the order sensors are programmed
- Ensure Points of Contact exist and are current.

2. Email alerts - If possible, email hadsteam@noaa.gov and provide details of the update to your DCP.

3. Metadata Repository - If your agency has an online repository of metadata, please contact Brian.Jackson@noaa.gov and provide details.



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Why does the NWS need this help?

- No Standards for programming DCPs
- Metadata sources are often outdated, incomplete, inaccurate, and/or difficult to find
- The NWS may not be aware of available data, if the PDT is incomplete or inaccurate

We are losing institutional knowledge and established relationships, making maintenance of our metadata more difficult.



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HADS First Source of DCP Metadata is DADDS and PDTs

- As of 4/17/2019
 - 40,086 PDT records
 - 4,995 PDTs (58 owners) PDT last update date on 2009 day 295
 - 4,921 PDTs with lat/lon and no sensors listed
 - 4,908 PDTs not parked and no location listed
 - 27,297 PDTs without a point of contact
 - 11,719 PDTs without manufacturer and model
 - 1,023 PDTs listed as Handar
 - 1,540 PDTs coordinates wrong or suspect (not precise, lat/lon transposed, missing negative for W hemisphere)



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Contact Brian.Jackson@noaa.gov if help is wanted in updating PDT.