

# REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY

(See Instructions on reverse)

TO: NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR)  
WASHINGTON, DC 20408

1. FROM (Agency or establishment)  
Department of Commerce

2. MAJOR SUBDIVISION  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Admin. (NOAA)

3. MINOR SUBDIVISION  
National Weather Service

4. NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER  
Daisy Rivers

5. TELEPHONE  
(301)443-8967

LEAVE BLANK (NARA use only)

JOB NUMBER  
N1-27-93-1

DATE RECEIVED  
3-24-93

NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY

In accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10.

DATE  
8/1/95

ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES  
*John W. Carl*

## 6. AGENCY CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached 3 page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,

is not required;  is attached; or  has been requested.

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| DATE<br>3/19/93 | SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE<br><i>Daniel Rooney</i> | TITLE<br>DEPT. OF COMMERCE<br>RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER |
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| 7. ITEM NO. | 8. DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION  | 9. GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION | 10. ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY) |
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|             | <p>Unscheduled records of the National Weather Service at the Washington National Records Center.</p> <p>SEE ATTACHED SHEETS</p> <p><i>Verbal concurrence to all modifications to this schedule was received 4/1/93 from Daisy Rivers, NOAA records officer.</i></p> <p><i>J. Baume 4/1/93</i></p> |                                   |                                  |

*Copy sent to agency, NCF, NNT, NIA 8/23/95*

Department of Commerce  
Weather Bureau  
Record Group 27

Described below are unscheduled records assigned to RG 27 at the Washington National Records Center.

National Weather Analysis Center

1. Manuscript Chart and Map Files, 1/1948-12/1960. 774 cubic feet. Arranged by type of chart or map (generally according to millibar thickness) and thereunder chronologically in numbered bound volumes, each encompassing one month of daily observations. North American Surface Charts are bound in two week increments.

Original paper versions of manuscript chart and map files, the great majority of which are U.S. Constant Pressure Charts (ranging from 100 to 1000 millibars of thickness) and North American Surface Charts. Other topical subdivisions include Northern Hemisphere Sea Level Charts, and Northern Hemisphere Isotherm Charts. Meteorological observational data and analyses are plotted on selected map and chart bases in order to depict the state of meteorological conditions with respect to geographic position, time, and various physical conditions or relationships.

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| WNRC Accessions: | 027-55A0343          | Volumes: | 1-84 & 1-24  |
|                  | 027-56A0391          |          | 1-92 & 1-24  |
|                  | 027-57A0696          |          | 1-89 & 1-14  |
|                  |                      |          | 1-6 & 1-6    |
|                  | 027-58A0525          |          | 1-94 & 1-24  |
|                  | 027-59A2293          |          | 1-36         |
|                  | 027-59B2293          |          | 1-101        |
|                  | 027-60A0921          |          | 1-92         |
|                  | 027-62A0791          |          | 1-109        |
|                  | 027-62A0925          |          | 1-106        |
|                  | 027-62B0925          |          | 107-404      |
|                  | 027-64B1088          |          | 35-87 & 497  |
|                  | 027-64A1119          |          | 1-99         |
|                  | 027-65A1925          |          | 383-390 & 75 |
|                  | Unnumbered remainder |          |              |

~~Destroy immediately. (Change disposition statement for 62-10/1902/13A1 from "paper records: To be determined" to "paper records: Disposable upon verification of the microform copies.")~~

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ASHEVILLE, NC UPON APPROVAL OF THIS SCHEDULE.  
DESTROY WHEN NO LONGER NEEDED FOR REFERENCE.

Hydrological Services Division

2. Storm Studies, 7/1819-5/1965. 148 cubic feet. Arranged topically and thereunder roughly chronologically. Corps of Engineers materials arranged generally by state.

The bulk of these records were collected during the initial phase of the storm studies project when the Weather Bureau solicited observational data from colleges, universities, public schools and historical societies concerning specific nineteenth century storms. This information was collected and compiled primarily at the Weather Bureau's Hydrologic Unit located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Of the original letters the Weather Bureau sent during 1939-1940 soliciting information, only the New York State file remains. Artifacts sent from the field include weather maps and charts, original and copied observational data, and printed reports. Supplemental data was also collected from several sources.

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027-65G2654 45

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Office of National Meteorological Services

3. Cooperative Project Files, 1947-75. 4 cubic feet. Arranged topically by over 70 file folder headings.

These records chronicle two cooperative projects supported by the FAA and the Canadian and American military respectively.

- a. Funded by the FAA's Weather Branch, the Pilot-to-Forecaster Service Test, as explained in the 1961 program plan sought "to obtain the assistance of the U.S. Weather Bureau in determining the need and best methods for making a Pilot-to-Forecaster Service available on a common high frequency (VHF) to a maximum number of users." The records consist of routine status reports comprising daily activity sheets filled out by weather forecasters, correspondence with various organizations, ~~the printed five volume report which came out between 1963 and 1975;~~ and published background materials and an aptly titled "Uncoordinated Draft" detailing data processing goals. The "General Administrative" file folder is empty.

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027-65F2654 43-44

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report is not in this  
accession but is  
scheduled as permanent  
elsewhere. GMR  
11/15/93*

- b. During the late 1940's and early 1950's, the Canadian and American military were determined to thwart alleged Soviet territorial designs upon the Arctic. In addition to expanding existing stations and building new ones, the Canadians forced some of their "native" citizens to colonize this area. (The current Canadian Government is seeking to make amends.) Charles J. Hubbard, a retired American admiral with a passion for the Arctic, was appointed Chief of Arctic Operations and remained so for three years until his death in 1950. These materials comprise the record set of the annual project reports. In addition to the customary narrative, they contain numerous dramatic photographs of the region.

WNRC Accession 027-65G2654 Box 46

**PERMANENT.** Transfer to the National Archives following declassification.