

CRS Build 12.0/VIP Build 4.0 Distribution Notice

The next upgrade to CRS and VIP will be distributed to field sites on August 20, 2007. The newest software build enhancements include the latest Operating System Security patches, corrections to handle properly the Daylight Savings Time extension changes, and a new Alert Monitor Trigger feature.

The software has undergone a successful four-week System Integration Test and a successful seven-week System Test at NWSHQ. Additionally, the software has undergone a six-week Operational Acceptance Test at HFO, BYZ, EPZ, LBF, and BOX.

A single CD used to install the CRS software is included in the delivery package:

CRS Build 12.0 Installation CD labeled: **CRS V12.00**
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The CRS Communications Equipment Software Note 12 contains the software installation instructions for both CRS and VIP. Site personnel should read through the entire procedure before performing the installation. As with the last software installation, the VIP part of the installation will be accomplished by downloading the changes from the NOAA4 server. Depending on the efficiency of the connection from the site to the NOAA4 server, this part of the installation will take from 30 minutes to 2.5 hours to complete. The entire installation will take from 2 to 4 hours to complete. The EMRS instructions also are included in the software note. **THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLETING THE INSTALLATION IS COB OCTOBER 5, 2007.** The final software note will be distributed electronically under the signature of Mark Paese via the Oracle Workflow Notification process. A link to the note also will be included on the CRS Web Site.

Please note that as with previous software build upgrades, once a site has upgraded to the new software builds, it should not revert to an earlier CRS or VIP build. If a site believes it has suffered an operational degradation to the broadcast of NWR messages as a result of the new builds, it should contact the CRS Help Desk to rectify the problem, and if the Help Desk deems necessary, return to an earlier build. Sites should never attempt to revert to an earlier build without direct assistance from the CRS Help Desk.

The following PDF documents are available via the CRS Web Site:

1. **VIP USERSGUIDE V4.0** – Updated VIP Users Guide
2. **Build 12 Version SAM Appendix C** – CRS Software Installation Procedure
3. **Build 12 Version SAM Appendix H** – Clear Alert Monitor Procedure
4. **Build 12 Version of SAM Appendix Z** – VIP Backup and Recovery Procedures
5. **CRS Build 12.0/VIP 4.0 Release Notes**
6. **CRS Build 12.0/VIP Build 4.0 Distribution Notice**
7. **CRS Software Note 12**