

Interactive comment on “Forecasters priorities for improving probabilistic flood forecasts” by F. Wetterhall et al.

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In Fredrik’s supplement it says: “there is one preoperational probabilistic flash flood forecasting system, which is of similar nature to the quoted paper, but slightly different see Coscrove et al., 2012”

After extensive email exchange with our friends and colleagues in the US through the HEPEX network, we unfortunately have to conclude that while there are a few probabilistic NOAA/NWS river flood forecasting systems in or near operational status (HEFS for example), we are not aware of any probabilistic flash flood forecasting systems currently in operations. There are a few in planning stages though (for example that the NSSL FLASH system may eventually add a probabilistic capability in the future), but

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for now there are only deterministic systems.

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