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Using Chrome for Email

Many users are still using Internet Explorer (IE) to connect to NOAA's mail system. Users should be connecting to NOAA mail using Chrome instead. Chrome offers the advantage of allowing drag-and-drop adding of attachments, notifications of new email, and the ability to click on an email link and have chrome begin a new email message. If you still have the old "NOAA E-mail" icon on your desktop you can delete it and start using Chrome instead.

Update to Acrobat X

Systems Division will begin pushing the new Acrobat X onto your computers next week. Acrobat X adds new features, several which are described in the New Features document. Acrobat X offers better integration with Office 2010, better conversion of web pages into PDFs, and several other improvements. Adobe offers numerous training videos for Acrobat X on their **Adobe TV** web page.

January Tech Tips

- **Microsoft Office 2013 -- Home Use Program**

Federal Employees are allowed to purchase a copy of Microsoft Office for use on one home computer for as long as they are employees of Office of Finance and Administration (formally WASC). Microsoft released a new version of Office today named **Office 2013**. This new version includes updates to the office suite to work with Windows 8 and touch screens. (Office 2013 is not to be confused with Office 365, which is a subscription service that needs to be renewed yearly.)

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