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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-62...UPDATED
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330 PM EDT WED OCT 15 2003

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
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SUBSCRIBERS
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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: UPDATED: RESTRUCTURING OF PUBLIC...HYDROLOGIC AND MARINE WEATHER FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCT COLLECTIVES AT WFO ANCHORAGE AND MODERNIZING OF COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIERS AT ALASKA WFOS: EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 19 2003 AND JANUARY 13 2004

UPDATED TO DELAY ALL DECEMBER 16 2003 IMPLEMENTATION DATES TO JANUARY 13 2004.

BEGINNING ON NOVEMBER 19 2003...THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADINGS FOR SELECTED PRODUCTS WILL BE UPDATED TO REFLECT THE MODERNIZED OFFICE IDS FOR THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ IN JUNEAU /PAJK/ AND FAIRBANKS /PAFG/ ALASKA. SOME ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDS WILL ALSO BE UPDATED. THESE CHANGES WILL COMPLETE THE PRODUCT MODERNIZATION PROCESS FOR THESE WFOS. WFO JUNEAU WILL IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES ON NOVEMBER 19 2003...AT 800 AM AST /1200 PM EST/ AND WFO FAIRBANKS WILL IMPLEMENT THESE CHANGES ON JANUARY 13 2004...AT 800 AM AST /1200 PM EST/.

SEE TABLE 1 FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE. TABLE 2 CONTAINS A LIST OF THE OLD AND NEW WMO HEADINGS AND AWIPS IDS FOR WFOS JUNEAU AND FAIRBANKS.

IN ADDITION...ON TUESDAY...JANUARY 13 2004...AT 800 AM AST /1200 PM EST/...THE WFO IN ANCHORAGE WILL COMPLETE A RESTRUCTURING OF THE WMO HEADINGS FOR THEIR SUITE OF PUBLIC...HYDROLOGIC AND MARINE TEXT PRODUCTS.

USERS OF NWS PUBLIC...HYDROLOGIC AND MARINE STATEMENTS AND WARNINGS ORIGINATING FROM ALASKA MUST UPDATE THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEM DIRECTORIES TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE THESE PRODUCTS.

CURRENTLY...PUBLIC STATEMENTS /SUCH AS THE PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT/...HYDROLOGIC PRODUCTS /SUCH AS FLOOD WATCHES...WARNINGS AND ADVISORIES/ AND SHORT-DURATION SEVERE WEATHER WARNINGS /SUCH AS SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNINGS AND SPECIAL MARINE WARNINGS/...ARE CURRENTLY ISSUED UNDER ONLY ONE /1/ WMO HEADING AND AWIPS ID. THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE SUBDIVIDED INTO ZONE COLLECTIVES THAT MATCH THE TWO COLLECTIVES THAT ARE USED FOR ALL OTHER PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS AND WARNINGS.

SEE TABLE 3 FOR A COMPLETE LISTING OF THE PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE AND TABLE 4 FOR THE NEW PRODUCTS. TABLE 5 PROVIDES A COMPLETE COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIER REFERENCE LINKING THE OLD AND NEW PRODUCTS.

TABLE 1: WFO FAIRBANKS AND WFO JUNEAU PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIER MODERNIZATION

OLD WMO HEADING	OLD PRODUCT
FZAK67 PAJN	COASTAL FLOOD WATCH/WARNING – JUNEAU
FZAK69 PAFA	COASTAL FLOOD WATCH/WARNING – FAIRBANKS
FPAK04 PAJN	CODED CITIES FORECAST - JUNEAU
FPAK04 PAFA	CODED CITIES FORECAST – FAIRBANKS
ABAK34 PAJN	PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT - JUNEAU
ABAK34 PAFA	PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT – FAIRBANKS
FPAK18 PAFA	RECREATIONAL FORECAST – FAIRBANKS
WHAK77 PAJK	SPECIAL MARINE WARNING - JUNEAU
WHAK79 PAFG	SPECIAL MARINE WARNING –FAIRBANKS
WWAK37 PAJK	LOCAL STORM REPORT – JUNEAU
WWAK39 PAFG	LOCAL STORM REPORT - FAIRBANKS

TABLE 2: REFERENCE TABLE CONTAINING OLD AND NEW COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIERS FOR WFO JUNEAU AND WFO FAIRBANKS PRODUCTS

OLD WMO HEADING	OLD AWIPS ID	NEW WMO HEADING	NEW AWIPS ID
FZAK67 PAJN	CFWJNU	WHAK47 PAJK	CFWAJK
FZAK69 PAFA	CFWFAI	WHAK49 PAFG	CFWAFG
FPAK04 PAJN	CCFJNU	FPAK47 PAJK	CCFAJK
FPAK04 PAFA	CCFFAI	FPAK49 PAFG	CCFAFG
ABAK34 PAJN	PNSJNU	NOAK47 PAJK	PNSAJK
ABAK34 PAFA	PNSFAI	NOAK49 PAFG	PNSAFG
FPAK18 PAFA	RECFAI	SXAK49 PAFG	RECAFG
WHAK77 PAJK	SMWAJK	WHAK57 PAJK	SMWAJK /SAME/
WHAK79 PAFG	SMWAFG	WHAK59 PAFG	SMWAFG /SAME/
WWAK37 PAJK	LSRAJK	NWAK47 PAJK	LSRAJK /SAME/
WWAK39 PAFG	LSRAFG	NWAK49 PAFG	LSRAFG /SAME/

TABLE 3: WFO ANCHORAGE TEXT PRODUCTS BEING SUBDIVIDED INTO TWO COLLECTIVES

OLD WMO HEADING	OLD PRODUCT
FZAK68 PANC	COASTAL FLOOD WATCH/WARNING
WHAK78 PAFC	SPECIAL MARINE WARNING
FZAK88 PAFC	MARINE WEATHER STATEMENT
FZAK58 PAFC	MARINE VERIFICATION MESSAGE
WUAK58 PAFC	SEVERE WEATHER WATCH/WARNING
WWAK58 PAFC	SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT
WWAK38 PAFC	LOCAL STORM REPORT
WFAK58 PAFC	TORNADO WARNING
WGAK68 PAFC	FLOOD WATCH
WGAK58 PAFC	FLASH FLOOD WARNING
WGAK78 PAFC	FLASH FLOOD STATEMENT
WGAK48 PAFC	FLOOD WARNING
WGAK88 PAFC	FLOOD STATEMENT
FGAK88 PAFC	RIVER STATEMENT
FGAK58 PAFC	DAILY RIVER SUMMARY
FPAK04 PANC	CODED CITIES FORECAST
FXAK68 PAFC	AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION SOUTH CENTRAL
SXAK78 PAFC	RECORD EVENT REPORT
WOAK48 PAFC	CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGE
ABAK34 PANC	PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT
FZAK88 PAFC	PUBLIC VERIFICATION MESSAGE

TABLE 4: NEW COLLECTIVES FOR WFO ANCHORAGE TEXT PRODUCTS

NEW WMO HEADING	NEW PRODUCT
WHAK41 PAFC	COASTAL FLOOD WATCH/WARNING /EASTERN HALF/
WHAK42 PAFC	COASTAL FLOOD WATCH/WARNING /WESTERN HALF/
WHAK51 PAFC	SPECIAL MARINE WARNING /EAST/
WHAK52 PAFC	SPECIAL MARINE WARNING /WEST/
FZAK71 PAFC	MARINE WEATHER STATEMENT /EAST/
FZAK72 PAFC	MARINE WEATHER STATEMENT /WEST/
FXAK51 PAFC	MARINE VERIFICATION MESSAGE /EAST/
FXAK52 PAFC	MARINE VERIFICATION MESSAGE /WEST/
WUAK51 PAFC	SEVERE WEATHER WATCH/WARNING /EAST/
WUAK52 PAFC	SEVERE WEATHER WATCH/WARNING /WEST/
WWAK51 PAFC	SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT /EAST/
WWAK52 PAFC	SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT /WEST/
NWAK51 PAFC	LOCAL STORM REPORT /EAST/
NWAK52 PAFC	LOCAL STORM REPORT /WEST/
WFAK51 PAFC	TORNADO WARNING /EAST/
WFAK52 PAFC	TORNADO WARNING /WEST/
WGAK61 PAFC	FLOOD WATCH /EAST/
WGAK62 PAFC	FLOOD WATCH /WEST/
WGAK51 PAFC	FLASH FLOOD WARNING /EAST/
WGAK52 PAFC	FLASH FLOOD WARNING /WEST/
WGAK71 PAFC	FLASH FLOOD STATEMENT /EAST/
WGAK72 PAFC	FLASH FLOOD STATEMENT /WEST/

WGAK41 PAFC FLOOD WARNING /EAST/
WGAK42 PAFC FLOOD WARNING /WEST/
WGAK81 PAFC FLOOD STATEMENT /EAST/
WGAK82 PAFC FLOOD STATEMENT /WEST/
FGAK81 PAFC RIVER STATEMENT /EAST/
FGAK82 PAFC RIVER STATEMENT /WEST/
FGAK51 PAFC DAILY RIVER SUMMARY /EAST/
FGAK52 PAFC DAILY RIVER SUMMARY /WEST/
FPAK41 PAFC CODED CITIES FORECAST /EAST/
FPAK42 PAFC CODED CITIES FORECAST /WEST/
FXAK61 PAFC AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION SOUTH CENTRAL
FXAK62 PAFC AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION SOUTHWESTERN
SXAK71 PAFC RECORD EVENT REPORT /EAST/
SXAK72 PAFC RECORD EVENT REPORT /WEST/
WOAK41 PAFC CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGE /EAST/
WOAK42 PAFC CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGE /WEST/
NOAK41 PAFC PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT /EAST/
NOAK42 PAFC PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT /WEST/
FZAK81 PAFC PUBLIC VERIFICATION MESSAGE /EAST/
FZAK82 PAFC PUBLIC VERIFICATION MESSAGE /WEST/

A MAP SHOWING THE PUBLIC AND MARINE ZONES THAT FALL INTO THE EAST AND WEST DOMAINS IN THE ANCHORAGE WFO AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY MAY BE FOUND ON THE INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.ARH.NOAA.GOV/CHANGES/

ALSO...UPDATED ZONE MAP SHAPEFILES ARE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES /USE LOWER CASE/:

FOR PUBLIC ZONES:
WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/PUBZONE.HTM

FOR MARINE ZONES:
WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/MARINEZONES.HTM

FOR PARTNERS AND CUSTOMERS WHO USE MARINE ZONE NUMBERS AS LOCATION CODES FOR NOAA WEATHER RADIO /NWR/ AND EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM /EAS/ APPLICATIONS...THE COASTAL AND OFFSHORE MARINE CODE LISTINGS FOR NWR AND EAS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/MARINENWREAS.HTM

TABLE 5: REFERENCE TABLE CONTAINING OLD AND NEW COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIERS FOR THE RESTRUCTURING OF WFO ANCHORAGE PUBLIC STATEMENTS...FLOOD PRODUCTS AND SHORT-DURATION WARNING PRODUCTS

OLD WMO HEADING	OLD AWIPS ID	NEW WMO HEADING	NEW AWIPS ID
FZAK68 PANC	CFWANC	WHAK41 PAFC	CFWAER
		WHAK42 PAFC	CFWALU
WHAK78 PAFC	SMWAFC	WHAK51 PAFC	SMWAER
		WHAK52 PAFC	SMWALU
FZAK88 PAFC	MWSAFC	FZAK81 PAFC	MWSAER
		FZAK82 PAFC	MWSALU
WUAK58 PAFC	SVRAFC	WUAK51 PAFC	SVRAER
		WUAK52 PAFC	SVRALU
WWAK58 PAFC	SVSAFC	WWAK51 PAFC	SVSAER
		WWAK52 PAFC	SVSALU
WWAK38 PAFC	LSRAFC	NWAK51 PAFC	LSRAER
		NWAK52 PAFC	LSRALU
WFAK58 PAFC	TORAFC	WFAK51 PAFC	TORAER
		WFAK52 PAFC	TORALU
WGAK68 PAFC	FFAAFC	WGAK61 PAFC	FFAAER
		WGAK62 PAFC	FFAALU
WGAK58 PAFC	FFWAFC	WGAK51 PAFC	FFWAER
		WGAK52 PAFC	FFWALU
WGAK78 PAFC	FFSAFC	WGAK71 PAFC	FFSAER
		WGAK72 PAFC	FFSALU
WGAK48 PAFC	FLWAFC	WGAK41 PAFC	FLWAER
		WGAK42 PAFC	FLWALU
WGAK88 PAFC	FLSAFC	WGAK81 PAFC	FLSAER
		WGAK82 PAFC	FLSALU
FGAK88 PAFC	RVSAFC	FGAK81 PAFC	RVSAER
		FGAK82 PAFC	RVSALU
FGAK58 PAFC	RVDAFC	FGAK51 PAFC	RVDAER
		FGAK52 PAFC	RVDALU
FPAK04 PANC	CCFANC	FPAK41 PAFC	CCFAER
		FPAK42 PAFC	CCFALU
FZAK68 PAFC	AFDAFC	FZAK61 PAFC	AFDAER
		FZAK62 PAFC	AFDALU
SXAK78 PAFC	RERAFC	SXAK71 PAFC	RERAER
		SXAK72 PAFC	RERALU
WOAK48 PAFC	CEMAFC	WOAK41 PAFC	CEMAER
		WOAK42 PAFC	CEMALU
ABAK34 PANC	PNSANC	NOAK41 PAFC	PNSAER
		NOAK42 PAFC	PNSALU

PARTNERS/CUSTOMERS SHOULD NOTIFY THE FOLLOWING POINT OF CONTACT IF THEY BELIEVE THE CHANGES WILL ADVERSELY IMPACT THEIR OPERATIONS...OR IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS CHANGE:

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NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE

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