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Subject: Second Delay of the Spring 2022 Forecast Zones Implementation Date to April 5, 2022 Due to a Critical Weather Day (CWD) Declaration

The National Weather Service (NWS) is delaying all zone change implementations originally scheduled for March 29, 2022 (March 30, 2022 in Tiyan and Guam) for a second time. The delay is due to a CWD declaration for extremely critical fire weather conditions in the central/southern Plains today, prompting a zone change implementation date in a more favorable weather window of opportunity.

The implementation date is now scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, 2022 (April 6, 2022 in Tiyan and Guam). If April 5, 2022 is also declared a CWD, another Public Information Statement (PNS) will be issued specifying the alternate date.

Service Change Notices (SCNs) affected include:

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SCN21-102 (Alaska Public and Fire Zones)
SCN21-103 (Alaska Marine Zones)
SCN21-104 (Alaska Census Area Changes)
SCN22-01 (Burlington and Albany Fire Weather Zone Changes)
SCN22-02 (Brownsville, TX Public and Fire Weather Zone Changes)
SCN22-03 (Burlington, VT Public Zone Changes)
SCN22-04 (Corpus Christi, TS Marine Zone Changes)
SCN22-05
         (Cheyenne, Wyoming and western Nebraska Fire Zone Changes)
SCN22-06 (Greenville-Spartanburg, SC Public and Fire Zone Changes)
SCN22-07 (Tiyan, Guam Public and Marine Zones)
SCN22-08 (Gray, ME Fire Weather Zones)
SCN22-09
         (New Orleans/Baton Rouge, LA Public and Fire Zones)
SCN22-10 (Oxnard, CA Public and Fire Zones)
SCN22-11 (Little Rock, AR Public and Fire Zone Changes)
SCN22-12 (Melbourne, FL Public and Fire Zone Changes)
SCN22-13 (San Francisco Bay Area, CA Public and Fire Zone Changes)
SCN22-14 (Spokane, WA and Pendleton, OR Fire Weather Zone Changes)
SCN22-15 (Atlantic Offshore Forecast Zones)
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CWD status can be found at the following link:

https://www.nco.ncep.noaa.gov/status/cwd/

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