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SUBJECT:  Updated: Correction to the Transfer of National Weather Service (NWS) Pago Pago (PPG) Surface Observational Responsibilities to the American Samoa Government (ASG) on or about September 30, 2022

NOTE:     The following change has no impact on:
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Updated to reflect shared observing responsibility among ASG and NWS Pago Pago.

Effective on or about September 30, 2022, the NWS and the ASG will share responsibility for the surface aviation observations (METAR and SPECI) at the Pago Pago International Airport of American Samoa, located on the island of Tutuila. The International Air Transport Association identifier is PPG; the International Civil Aviation Organization identifier is NSTU.

The ASG is working to enter the Federal Aviation Administration’s Non-Federal Observation program for Pago Pago International Airport, which authorizes ASG rights to provide weather observations.

The ASG will provide the METAR and SPECI at the following times each week: Tuesday 0200-1700 UTC, Friday 0200-1700 UTC, and Saturday 2100-Sunday 0800 UTC. When the ASG is not taking observations for PPG, the NWS will provide METAR and SPECI in support of airline alternate airport determinations.

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