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Subject: National Weather Service (NWS) Implementation of Updated Naming Conventions per Executive Order 14422

NWS is in the process of implementing Executive Order 14422, "Honoring the American History of the Great Lakes and Renaming Lake Ontario as Lake America". Work is underway to update naming conventions as quickly as possible on online maps, weather products, websites and other materials across the NWS. Caution will be exercised to avoid disruptions to operations.

Users may notice a phased implementation of these changes as the agency works to update all products, services, and documentation with the utmost expediency. Service Change Notices (SCNs) will be issued as needed for modifications made to NWS products and services with additional details for users.

If you have any questions concerning these changes, please contact:

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