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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...COMMENT REQUEST
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TO FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA WEATHER
WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS...EMERGENCY
MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/
SUBSCRIBERS...NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS...NATIONAL WEATHER
SERVICE /NWS/ PARTNERS AND OTHER USERS...AND NWS
EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO ISSUANCE SCHEDULE FOR THE
NATIONAL HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ IS PROPOSING TO MODIFY THE
ISSUANCE SCHEDULE FOR THE NATIONAL HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT. THE
SCHEDULE IS ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OH/HIC/NHO](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/oh/hic/nho)

THE NATIONAL HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT IS AN INTERNET PRODUCT ISSUED
ON BI-WEEKLY IN LATE WINTER AND EARLY SPRING. IT PROVIDES A MAP
OF AREAS AT RISK FOR FLOODING...PRIMARILY DUE TO SNOW MELT.
ACCOMPANYING TEXT DESCRIBES FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO THE FLOOD
RISK. THE ANALYSIS IS BASED ON INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE
INTERNET FROM NWS OFFICES AND OTHER FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

THE PROPOSAL IS TO ISSUE THE NATIONAL HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT ONCE
IN MID-MARCH TO SUPPORT NOAA'S ANNUAL SPRING OUTLOOK. AT OTHER
TIMES USERS CAN OBTAIN DETAILED INFORMATION FROM THE SOURCES
LISTED BELOW OR FROM LOCAL NWS OFFICES.

A COMPREHENSIVE SET OF INFORMATION ON CURRENT AND FUTURE
HYDROLOGIC CONDITIONS IS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE NOAAWATCH FLOOD
WEB PAGE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://NOAAWATCH.GOV/FLOODS.PHP](http://noaaWATCH.GOV/FLOODS.PHP)

CURRENT AND FUTURE HYDROLOGIC CONDITIONS ACROSS THE U.S. CAN BE
ACCESSED DIRECTLY THROUGH THE ADVANCED HYDROLOGIC PREDICTION
SERVICE /AHPS/ WEB PAGE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/AHPS/](http://www.weather.gov/AHPS/)

THE AHPS PAGE INCLUDES A MAP SHOWING NATIONAL RIVER CONDITIONS
AND A GRAPHICAL INTERFACE WHICH ALLOWS THE USER TO DRILL DOWN TO
MORE DETAILED INFORMATION...INCLUDING HYDROGRAPHS FOR INDIVIDUAL

RIVER GAGES.

INFORMATION ON CURRENT WATCHES AND WARNINGS...INCLUDING THOSE DEALING WITH FLOODING...CAN BE ACCESSED DIRECTLY THROUGH /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/](http://www.weather.gov/)

COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO THE ISSUANCE SCHEDULE FOR THE NATIONAL HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH JANUARY 31 2007. IF...AFTER CONSIDERATION OF THESE COMMENTS...A DECISION IS MADE TO MODIFY THE SCHEDULE FOR THE NATIONAL HYDROLOGIC ASSESSMENT...A FINAL NOTIFICATION WILL BE PROVIDED IN FEBRUARY 2007.

IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS REGARDING THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE MODIFICATION OF THIS PRODUCT...PLEASE CONTACT:

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