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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-08 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 200 PM EST WED DEC 1 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS

OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE
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SUBJECT: FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS IN RHODE ISLAND TO BE PRODUCED BY ONE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE IN THE NWS EASTERN REGION...EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1 2000

EFFECTIVE AT 9 A.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME (EST)...1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...TUESDAY FEBRUARY 1 2000...ALL FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITIES FOR SEVEN ZONES IN RHODE ISLAND /TABLE 1/ WILL CONTINUE TO BE PRODUCED BY THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE IN BOSTON /BOX/ MA.

PLEASE REFER TO LOCAL NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENTS FOR THE OFFICIAL SPECIFIC START DATE OF PRODUCT ISSUANCES DURING THE UPCOMING FIRE WEATHER SEASON.

BECAUSE OF THIS FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM TRANSFER...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ AND THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ MUST TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RECEIVE THE PRODUCTS LISTED IN TABLE 2 FOR THESE SEVEN ZONES USING THE NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS FROM THE BOX OFFICE.

TABLE 1: ZONES IN RHODE ISLAND HANDLED BY THE NWS BOSTON OFFICE FOR ALL FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS. UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES /UGCS/ FOR THESE ZONES /Z/ ARE SHOWN IN THE TABLE.

PARTIAL COUNTY ABBREVIATIONS /N = NORTH...ETC. /I = INTERIOR /C = COASTAL /NE = NORTHEAST...ETC. L = LAKESHORE

ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC Z	OFFICE	ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC Z	OFFICE
BRISTOL /E	RIZ005-	BOX	PROVIDENCE/SE	RIZ002-	BOX
KENT /E	RIZ004-	BOX	WASHINGTON	RIZ006-	BOX
NEWPORT	RIZ007-	BOX	KENT/ W	RIZ003-	BOX
PROVIDENCE/NW	RIZ001-	BOX			

TABLE 2: THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS WILL BE USED TO DISSEMINATE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCTS TO THESE SEVEN ZONES IN RHODE ISLAND.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

NWWS ID WMO ID FOR FOS

RHODE ISLAND FIRE WEATHER FORECAST

FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING

BOSRFWBOS WWUS81 KBOX

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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

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

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