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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-12 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1130 AM EST THU DEC 2 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS

OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS IN WEST VIRGINIA TO BE PRODUCED BY FOUR WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES 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 55 ZONES IN WEST VIRGINIA /TABLE 1/ WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES IN CHARLESTON /RLX/WV...PITTSBURGH /PBZ/ PA...ROANOKE/BLACKSBURG /RNK/ VA AND BALTIMORE/WASHINGTON /LWX/ MD/VA/DC.

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 55 ZONES USING THE NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS FROM THE RLX...PBZ...RNK AND LWX NWS OFFICES.

TABLE 1: ZONES ASSUMED IN WEST VIRGINIA BY FOUR NWS OFFICES: CHARLESTON/RLX; PITTSBURGH/PBZ; ROANOKE/BLACKSBURG/RNK AND...BALTIMORE MD/WASHINGTON DC/LWX FOR ALL FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS. UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES /UGCS/ FOR THESE ZONES /Z/ ARE SHOWN IN THE TABLE.

ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC Z	OFFICE	ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC Z	OFFICE
BARBOUR	WVZ040-	RLX	MINERAL	WVZ049-	LWX
BERKELEY	WVZ052-	LWX	MINGO	WVZ024-	RLX
BOONE	WVZ026-	RLX	MONONGALIA	WVZ022-	PBZ
BRAXTON	WVZ028-	RLX	MONROE	WVZ044-	RNK
BROOKE	WVZ002-	PBZ	MORGAN	WVZ051-	LWX
CABELL	WVZ006-	RLX	NICHOLAS	WVZ037-	RLX
CALHOUN	WVZ018-	RLX	OHIO	WVZ003-	PBZ
CLAY	WVZ027-	RLX	PENDLETON	WVZ054-	LWX
DODDRIDGE	WVZ020-	RLX	PLEASANTS	WVZ010-	RLX
FAYETTE	WVZ036-	RLX	POCAHONTAS	WVZ046-	RLX
GILMER	WVZ029-	RLX	PRESTON	WVZ023-	PBZ

GRANT	WVZ048-	LWX	PUTNAM	WVZ014-	RLX
GREENBRIER	WVZ045-	RNK	RALEIGH	WVZ035-	RLX
HAMPSHIRE	WVZ050-	LWX	RANDOLPH	WVZ047-	RLX
HANCOCK	WVZ001-	PBZ	RITCHIE	WVZ019-	RLX
HARDY	WVZ055-	LWX	ROANE	WVZ016-	RLX
HARRISON	WVZ031-	RLX	SUMMERS	WVZ043-	RNK
JACKSON	WVZ008-	RLX	TAYLOR	WVZ032-	RLX
JEFFERSON	WVZ053-	LWX	TUCKER	WVZ041-	PBZ
KANAWHA	WVZ015-	RLX	TYLER	WVZ011-	RLX
LEWIS	WVZ030-	RLX	UPSHUR	WVZ039-	RLX
LINCOLN	WVZ013-	RLX	WAYNE	WVZ005-	RLX
LOGAN	WVZ025-	RLX	WEBSTER	WVZ038-	RLX
MARION	WVZ021-	PBZ	WETZEL	WVZ012-	PBZ
MARSHALL	WVZ004-	PBZ	WIRT	WVZ017-	RLX
MASON	WVZ007-	RLX	WOOD	WVZ009-	RLX
MC DOWELL	WVZ033-	RLX	WYOMING	WVZ034-	RLX
MERCER	WVZ042-	RNK			

TABLE 2: THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS WILL BE USED TO DISSEMINATE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCTS TO THESE 55 ZONES IN WEST VIRGINIA.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	NWWS ID	WMO ID FOR FOS
SOUTHWEST/CENTRAL WV FIRE WEATHER FORECAST	CRWFWFCRW	FNUS51 KRLX
FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING	CRWRFWCRW	WWUS81 KRLX
NORTHERN WV FIRE WEATHER FORECAST	PITFWFPIT	FNUS51 KPBZ
FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING	PITRFWPIT	WWUS81 KPBZ
SOUTHEAST WV FIRE WEATHER FORECAST	WBCFWFRNK	FNUS51 KRNK
FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING	WBCRFWRNK	WWUS81 KRNK
EASTERN WV FIRE WEATHER FORECAST	WBCFWFWBC	FNUS51 KLWX
FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING	WBCRFWWBC	WWUS81 KLWX

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