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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-40
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
400 PM EST THU MAR 30 2000

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE PIERCE
CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: MODIFICATION OF SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA OFFICE ZONE AREAS AND ZONE
PRODUCT...EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2000

EFFECTIVE THURSDAY...JUNE 1 2000 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...5 A.M. PDT...THE NWS WILL RECONFIGURE PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST AREAS
IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IN THE SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA NWS OFFICE AREA OF
RESPONSIBILITY. THESE RECONFIGURATIONS WILL BETTER DEFINE MOUNTAIN ZONES
AND ALLOW FORECASTERS TO MORE ACCURATELY PORTRAY ONGOING AND PREDICTED
WEATHER. CALIFORNIA ZONES THAT WILL BE AFFECTED INCLUDE
43/48/49/50/55/56/57/58/60/61/62. NOTE THAT THE AREA OF CALIFORNIA ZONE
49 WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE RECONFIGURED CALIFORNIA ZONE 48.

MANY NWS PRODUCTS /NOT JUST ZONE FORECASTS/ WILL BE AFFECTED BY THESE ZONE
RECONFIGURATIONS. TABLE 1 LISTS THE PRODUCT CATEGORIES AFFECTED. TABLE 2
IS A LIST OF THE NEW ZONES. A ZONE WILL BE NAMED BY RECOGNIZABLE
GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES.

USERS WHO SELECT INFORMATION FOR SPECIFIC ZONES WILL NEED TO USE THE NEW
UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ FOR THE RECONFIGURED ZONES.

TABLE 1. PRODUCT CATEGORIES AFFECTED BY ZONE RECONFIGURATIONS.

PRODUCT	NWS ID	WMO HEADING
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ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT	LAXZFPSGX	FPUS56 KSGX
WINTER WEATHER WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY	LAXWSWSAN	WWUS46 KSGX
NON-PRECIPITATION WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY	LAXNPWSAN	WWUS45 KSAN
FLASH FLOOD WATCH	LAXFFASAN	WGUS46 KSGX
SHORT TERM FORECAST	LAXNOWSAN	FPUS76 KSGX
S. CALIFORNIA STATE FORECAST PRODUCT	LAXSFPCA	FPUS66 KLOX
SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT	LAXSVSSAN	WWUS34 KSAN
SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT	LAXSPSSAN	WWUS35 KSAN
FLASH FLOOD/FLOOD STATEMENT	LAXFLSSAN	RWUS42 KSAN
PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT	LAXPNSSAN	ABUS34 KSAN
CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGE	LAXCEMSAN	MMUS40 KSAN
LOCAL STORM REPORT	LAXLSRSAN	WWUS30 KSAN
S. CALIFORNIA STATE WEATHER ROUNDUP	LAXSWRCA	ASUS46 KLAX

TABLE 2. RECONFIGURED ZONES EFFECTIVE JUNE 1 2000 AT 1200 UTC / 5 AM
PDT/. FOR ZONES NOT LISTED...THERE IS NO CHANGE IN AREA COVERED.

UGC Z	ZONE NAME
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CAZ043	SAN DIEGO COUNTY COASTAL AREAS
CAZ048	SAN BERNARDINO/RIVERSIDE COUNTY INLAND EMPIRE
CAZ050	SAN DIEGO COUNTY INLAND VALLEYS
CAZ055	SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY MOUNTAINS
CAZ056	RIVERSIDE COUNTY MOUNTAINS
CAZ057	SANTA ANA MOUNTAINS AND FOOTHILLS
CAZ058	SAN DIEGO COUNTY MOUNTAINS
CAZ060	APPLE AND YUCCA VALLEYS
CAZ061	COACHELLA VALLEY
CAZ062	SAN DIEGO COUNTY DESERTS

THESE ZONE CHANGES UPDATE PAGES A-109-110 OF NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
OPERATIONS MANUAL CHAPTER C-11...ZONE AND LOCAL FORECASTS ...APPENDIX A
/ZONE FORECAST MAPS/. AN UPDATED ZONE MAP WILL BE PLACED ON THE FOLLOWING
WEBSITE AROUND JUNE 1 2000 /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/MODERNIZE/ST-MAPS/MAPS.HTML](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/modernize/st-maps/maps.html)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO OBTAIN A HARD COPY OF THE REVISED ZONE MAP
IN ADVANCE...PLEASE CONTACT:

ARMANDO GARZA - METEOROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE

OR

ED CLARK - WARNING COORDINATION METEOROLOGIST

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

[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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