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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-44 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 150 PM EDT THU APR 20 2000

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: THERESE PIERCE CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: FURTHER IMPLEMENTATION OF SHORT TERM FORECAST /NOW/ PRODUCT IN ALASKA...EFFECTIVE APRIL 21 2000

EFFECTIVE FRIDAY...APRIL 21 2000...AT 8:00 A.M. ALASKA DAYLIGHT TIME...1600 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICES IN ANCHORAGE AND FAIRBANKS ALASKA WILL BEGIN ISSUING A SHORT TERM FORECAST /NOW/ UNDER THE FOLLOWING:

OFFICE	WMO HEADING	NWWS ID	UGC AREA
ANCHORAGE	FPAK78 PANC	ANCNOWANC	AKZ015-
FAIRBANKS	FPAK79 PAFA	FAINOWFAI	AKZ007-

SHORT TERM FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED FOR COMMUNITIES OF ANCHORAGE AND FAIRBANKS ON AN EVENT DRIVEN BASIS TO ENHANCE THE LOCAL FORECAST WHENEVER:

A WEATHER WARNING...WATCH...OR ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT.
PRECIPITATION IN ANY AMOUNT IS OCCURRING OR CATEGORICALLY FORECAST TO OCCUR.

3. DENSE FOG WITH VISIBILITIES OF 1/4 MILE OR LESS.

THE FORECAST WILL CONTAIN CONDITIONS EXPECTED FOR THE NEXT ONE TO SIX HOURS. MORE FREQUENT ISSUANCES MAY OCCUR AS WEATHER CONDITIONS CHANGE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT EITHER ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN ANCHORAGE OR FAIRBANKS:

ANCHORAGE: BOB HOPKINS...METEOROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE...907-266-5120 DAVE GOLDSTEIN...WARNING COORDINATION METEOROLOGIST...907-266-5117

FAIRBANKS:

KRAIG GILKEY...ACTING METEOROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE...907-458-3704 JOHN LINGAAS...WARNING COORDINATION METEOROLOGIST...907-458-3712

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

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

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