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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-66  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
1010 AM EDT MON JUN 12 2000

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/  
SUBSCRIBERS  
NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS  
OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE PIERCE  
CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE WEATHER FORECAST  
OFFICE IN ALBUQUERQUE...EFFECTIVE JULY 5 2000

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY...JULY 5 2000 AT 430 A.M. MOUNTAIN DAYLIGHT TIME  
/MDT/...1030 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...SEVERAL SERVICE  
IMPROVEMENTS WILL TAKE PLACE WITH THE ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT /ZFP/ ISSUED  
BY THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN ALBUQUERQUE NEW MEXICO /NOAA  
WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ ID - ABQZFPABQ...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL  
ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADING - FPUS55 KABQ/. CUSTOMERS HAVE REQUESTED THE  
FOLLOWING IMPROVEMENTS:

1. THE TEMPERATURE FORECASTS WILL CHANGE FROM CATEGORIES TO THE ACTUAL  
VALUE.
2. THE TWO AND FIVE PERCENT PROBABILITIES WILL BE ELIMINATED. IF THE  
POSSIBILITY OF PRECIPITATION IS MENTIONED IN THE TEXT OF THE  
FORECAST...THE PROBABILITY OF PRECIPITATION LISTED WILL BE AT LEAST 10  
PERCENT. IF NO PRECIPITATION IS MENTIONED IN THE TEXT OF THE  
FORECAST...THE CHANCE OF PRECIPITATION IS ZERO.

EXAMPLE:

.TODAY...MOSTLY SUNNY BUT WITH A FEW AFTERNOON CLOUDS NEAR THE MOUNTAINS.  
SOUTHWEST WIND 10-20 MPH IN THE AFTERNOON.  
.TONIGHT...PARTLY CLOUDY WITH A FEW THUNDERSTORMS. SOUTHEAST WIND 5-15  
MPH.  
.FRIDAY...MOSTLY CLOUDY...COOLER...WITH SCATTERED LATE MORNING AND  
AFTERNOON THUNDERSTORMS. SOUTH WIND 10-15 MPH.

EXISTING FORMAT...

.<	TEMPERATURE	/	PRECIPITATION
CHAMA	N80 L40S M70S	/	2 20 50
LOS ALAMOS	L80S U50S M70S	/	2 20 40

NEW FORMAT...BEGINNING JULY 1...

.<	TEMPERATURE	/	PRECIPITATION
CHAMA	80 42 73	/	0 20 50

LOS ALAMOS

82 58 76

0 20 40

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS...PLEASE CONTACT:

CHARLIE LILES  
METEOROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
ALBUQUERQUE NEW MEXICO

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

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