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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-12
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1:30 PM EST EST MAR 06 2002

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

FROM: ROBERT E. LIVEZEY
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SUBJECT: NEW RELEASE DATE FOR DROUGHT OUTLOOK...EFFECTIVE
THURSDAY MARCH 14 2002

EFFECTIVE THURSDAY...MARCH 14 2002...CLIMATE PREDICTION CENTER
/CPC/ WILL RELEASE THE SEASONAL DROUGHT OUTLOOK THE SAME DAY AND
TIME AS THE LONG-LEAD SEASONAL OUTLOOKS /I.E. MID MONTH ON A
THURSDAY AT 300 PM ET/. PREVIOUSLY THE DROUGHT OUTLOOK HAD BEEN
RELEASED ON THE FOLLOWING FRIDAY MORNING /830 AM ET/.
THE DROUGHT OUTLOOK IS AVAILABLE ONLY ON THE CPC WEB SITE AT:

[HTTP://WWW.CPC.NCEP.NOAA.GOV](http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov) /LOWER CASE/
/CLICK ON DROUGHT ASSESSMENT/

THUS...THE RELEASE DATES AND TIMES OF THE SEASONAL DROUGHT
OUTLOOK FOR THE REST OF 2002 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

RELEASE DATE /THU 3PM ET/ DROUGHT OUTLOOK VALID FOR

MARCH 14	MID-MARCH THROUGH JUNE
APRIL 18	MID-APRIL THROUGH JULY
MAY 16	MID-MAY THROUGH AUGUST
JUNE 13	MID-JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER
JULY 18	MID-JULY THROUGH OCTOBER
AUGUST 15	MID-AUGUST THROUGH NOVEMBER
SEPTEMBER 12	MID-SEPTEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER
OCTOBER 17	MID-OCTOBER THROUGH JANUARY
NOVEMBER 14	MID-NOVEMBER THROUGH FEBRUARY
DECEMBER 12	MID-DECEMBER THROUGH MARCH

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INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

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