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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-45
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
530 PM EDT THU AUG 15 2002

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

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SUBJECT: CREATION OF NEW ZONE FORECAST BOUNDARIES IN UPPER
MICHIGAN FOR HOUGHTON AND SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTIES...
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 15 2002

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...OCTOBER 15 2002...AT 4:00 PM EASTERN DAYLIGHT
TIME OR 2000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME...THERE WILL BE A
REALIGNMENT OF FORECAST ZONE BOUNDARIES FOR HOUGHTON AND
SCHOOLCRAFT COUNTIES IN UPPER MICHIGAN. THESE CHANGES AFFECT
PRODUCTS ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FORECAST OFFICE
/WFO/ IN MARQUETTE MICHIGAN /MQT/.

THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO WMO HEADINGS OR AWIPS IDENTIFIERS WITH
THIS REALIGNMENT AND NO ACTION IS REQUIRED FOR CONTINUED RECEIPT
OF PRODUCTS FROM WFO MQT.

AN UPDATED ZONE MAP SHAPEFILE CONTAINING THE REALIGNED ZONES WILL
BE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD BY SEPTEMBER 13 2002 FROM THE FOLLOWING
WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

...NOTE URL FOR SHAPEFILES CHANGED EARLIER THIS YEAR...

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/pubzone.htm>

PLEASE REFER TO TABLE 1 FOR NEW ZONE NAMES AND CODES.

TABLE 1 - NEW ZONE CODES /"Z" FORM OF THE UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC
CODE...OR UGC/ AND NAMES

NEW	OLD		
NEW ZONE NAME	UGC /Z/	OLD ZONE NAME	UGC /Z/
NORTHERN HOUGHTON	MIZ003	HOUGHTON	MIZ003
SOUTHERN HOUGHTON	MIZ084	N/A	N/A
SOUTHERN SCHOOLCRAFT	MIZ014	SCHOOLCRAFT	MIZ014
NORTHERN SCHOOLCRAFT	MIZ085	N/A	N/A

TABLE 2. THE FOLLOWING ARE KEY PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST	FPUS53 KMQT	ZFPMQT
FLOOD WATCH	WGUS63 KMQT	FFAMQT
NON-PRECIPITATION ADVSY/WATCH/WARNING	WWUS73 KMQT	NPWMQT
WINTER STORM ADVSY/WATCH/WARNING	WWUS43 KMQT	WSWMQT
SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS35 KMQT	SPSMQT
SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS34 KMQT	SVSMQT
SHORT-TERM FORECAST	FPUS73 KMQT	NOWMQT
FLOOD STATEMENT	WGUS43 KMQT	FLSMQT
FLOOD WARNING	WGUS43 KMQT	FLWMQT
HYDROLOGIC SUMMARY	SRUS43 KMQT	RVAMQT
HYDROLOGIC STATEMENT	FGUS83 KMQT	RVSMQT
WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK	FGUS73 KMQT	ESFMQT

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE COUNTY CODES USED FOR TORNADO...SEVERE THUNDERSTORM...AND FLASH FLOOD WARNINGS...AS WELL AS CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGES...REMAIN UNCHANGED SINCE THOSE PRODUCTS UTILIZE THE COUNTY FIPS CODES.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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THIS AND ALL OTHER NWS SERVICE CHANGE NOTIFICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING URL ADDRESS /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif.htm>

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