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PUBLIC INFO. STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-37...UPDATED  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
420 PM EDT THU AUG 21 2003

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

FROM GLENN AUSTIN  
ACTING CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT UPDATED...RESTRUCTURING OF PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER  
FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCT COLLECTIVES AND  
MODERNIZING OF COMMUNICATIONS HEADINGS IN ALASKA...  
EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 9 2003

UPDATED TO CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION DATE FROM SEPTEMBER 3 2003  
TO SEPTEMBER 9 2003. NO OTHER INFORMATION IN THE ORIGINAL  
SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE FOR THIS CHANGE...ISSUED JULY 10 2003...  
HAS CHANGED.

ON TUESDAY...SEPTEMBER 9 2003...AT 400 PM ALASKA DAYLIGHT TIME  
/ADT/...800 PM EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME /EDT/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER  
SERVICE /NWS/ WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN ANCHORAGE ALASKA  
WILL MODIFY SEVERAL OF THEIR PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER TEXT  
PRODUCTS...INCLUDING ALL ASSOCIATED WINTER WEATHER AND  
NON-PRECIPIATION WATCH...WARNING...AND ADVISORY STATEMENTS.

CURRENTLY...WFO ANCHORAGE ISSUES CERTAIN PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER  
FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCTS UNDER FOUR /4/ UNIQUE WMO HEADINGS  
AND AWIPS IDS TO COVER THE ZONES WITHIN THEIR GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF  
RESPONSIBILITY. THIS CHANGE WILL CONSOLIDATE THOSE ZONES INTO  
TWO /2/ PRODUCT COLLECTIVES INSTEAD OF 4. SEE TABLE 1 FOR A  
COMPLETE LISTING OF THE PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE AND THE  
NEW PROPOSED PRODUCTS. TABLE 2 PROVIDES A DESCRIPTION OF THE  
CHANGES.

THE FORMAT OF THE FORECASTS AND WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY PRODUCTS  
WILL NOT CHANGE...BUT THE LENGTH OF THE PRODUCTS WILL INCREASE  
DUE TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE ZONES.

TABLE 1. WFO ANCHORAGE PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS BEING  
CONSOLIDATED. NOTE W/W/A STANDS FOR WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY.

OLD	OLD
WMO HEADING	PRODUCT

FPAK51 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST
FPAK52 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST
FPAK53 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST ALASKA PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST
FPAK54 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST
FNAK51 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA ZONE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK52 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH ZONE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK53 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST ALASKA ZONE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK54 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING ZONE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK71 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA ZONE SPOT WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK72 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH SPOT FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK73 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST ALASKA SPOT FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK74 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING SPOT FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
WWAK41 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL ALASKA WINTER WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK42 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH WINTER WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK43 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST AK WINTER WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK44 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING WINTER WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK61 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK RED FLAG WARNING
WWAK62 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH RED FLAG WARNING
WWAK63 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST AK RED FLAG WARNING
WWAK64 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING RED FLAG WARNING
WWAK71 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK NON PRECIPITATION WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK72 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH NON PRECIPITATION WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK73 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST AK NON PRECIPITATION WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK74 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING NON PRECIPITATION WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK81 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT
WWAK82 PAFC	WRANGELL/CHUGACH SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT
WWAK83 PAFC	SOUTH AND WEST AK SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT
WWAK84 PAFC	ALEUTIAN AND BERING SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

NEW          NEW  
WMO HEADING    PRODUCT

FPAK51 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST
FPAK52 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST
FNAK51 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK ZONE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK52 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK ZONE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK71 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK SPOT FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNAK72 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK SPOT FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
WWAK41 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK WINTER WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK42 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK WINTER WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK61 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK RED FLAG WARNING
WWAK62 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK RED FLAG WARNING
WWAK71 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK NON PRECIPITATION WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK72 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK NON PRECIPITATION WEATHER W/W/A
WWAK81 PAFC	SOUTH CENTRAL AK SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT
WWAK82 PAFC	SOUTHWEST AK SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT

TABLE 2. RESTRUCTURING OF PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS AND WARNINGS UNDER EXISTING WMO HEADINGS.

OLD	NEW	DESCRIPTION
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WMO HEADING AWIPS ID AWIPS ID OF CHANGE

FPAK51 PAFC ZFPAFC ZFPAER ADD PUBLIC ZONES AKZ125-131-  
FNAK51 PAFC FWFAFC FWFAER 135-141-171 TO THE PRODUCTS  
FNAK71 PAFC  
WWAK41 PAFC WSWAFC WSWAER  
WWAK61 PAFC RFWAFC RFWAER  
WWAK71 PAFC NPWAFC NPWAER  
WWAK81 PAFC SPSAFC SPSAER

FPAK52 PAFC ZFPWCM ZFPALU REMOVE PUBLIC ZONES AKZ125-  
FNAK52 PAFC FFWFCM FWFALU 131-135-141 FROM PRODUCT. ADD  
FNAK72 PAFC PUBLIC ZONES AKZ151-155-161-  
WWAK42 PAFC WSWWCM WSWALU 181-185-191-195 TO THE  
WWAK62 PAFC RFWWCM RFWALU PRODUCTS.  
WWAK72 PAFC NPWWCM NPWALU  
WWAK82 PAFC SPSWCM SPSALU

FPAK53 PAFC ZFPSWB N/A DELETE PRODUCTS  
FNAK53 PAFC FWFSWB  
FNAK73 PAFC  
WWAK43 PAFC WSWSWB  
WWAK63 PAFC RFWSWB  
WWAK73 PAFC NPWSWB  
WWAK83 PAFC SPSSWB

FPAK54 PAFC ZFPALU N/A DELETE PRODUCTS  
FNAK54 PAFC FWFALU  
FNAK74 PAFC  
WWAK44 PAFC WSWALU  
WWAK64 PAFC RFWALU  
WWAK74 PAFC NPWALU  
WWAK84 PAFC SPSALU

A WEB PAGE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO ALLOW USERS TO VIEW SAMPLE  
PRODUCTS EXHIBITING THESE CHANGES. SEE EXAMPLES AT /USE LOWER  
CASE LETTERS/

<http://www.arh.noaa.gov/pubchg.php>

PARTNERS/CUSTOMERS SHOULD NOTIFY THE FOLLOWING POINT OF CONTACT  
IF THEY BELIEVE THE CHANGES WILL ADVERSELY IMPACT THEIR  
OPERATIONS

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THIS NOTICE AND OTHER SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE ON THE  
INTERNET AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/

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

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