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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-37
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
300 PM EST THU JUL 3 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 RESTRUCTURING OF PUBLIC AND FIRE WEATHER FORECAST AND
WARNING PRODUCT COLLECTIVES AND MODERNIZING OF
COMMUNICATIONS HEADINGS...EFFECTIVE SEP 3 2003

ON WEDNESDAY...SEPTEMBER 3 2003...AT 400 PM ADT /800 PM
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-PRECIPITATION 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
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](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 ON THE INTERNET
AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/

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