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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-43
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
440 PM EDT WED AUG 20 2003

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

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

SUBJECT PUBLIC FORECAST ZONE TRANSFER IN CENTRAL NEVADA...
EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 20 2003

EFFECTIVE MONDAY...OCTOBER 20 2003 AT 2000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL
TIME /UTC/...100 PM PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME /PDT/...ONE PUBLIC
FORECAST ZONE AND THE CORRESPONDING PORTION OF THE COUNTY IN
CENTRAL NEVADA WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM ONE WEATHER FORECAST
OFFICE /WFO/ COUNTY WARNING FORECAST AREA /CWFA/ TO ANOTHER. THE
NORTHERN NYE COUNTY ZONE /NVZ013/ ALONG WITH THE NORTHERN PORTION
OF THE COUNTY /NVC023/ WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE LAS VEGAS
NEVADA /VEF/ WFO CWFA TO THE ELKO NEVADA /LKN/ WFO CWFA.

THIS CHANGE WILL AFFECT PRODUCTS ISSUED BY BOTH THE LAS VEGAS AND
ELKO FORECAST OFFICES. PRODUCTS THAT USE THE ZONE FORM OF
THE UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ NVZ013 WILL BE GENERATED BY
WFO ELKO. PRODUCTS USING THE COUNTY /C/ FORM OF THE UGC NVC023
WILL BE GENERATED BY BOTH WFO LAS VEGAS AND WFO ELKO. WFO ELKO
WILL HAVE THE WARNING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE NORTHERN PORTION OF
NYE COUNTY WHILE WFO LAS VEGAS WILL RETAIN THE WARNING
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE COUNTY. REFER TO TABLE 1
FOR THE PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE.

THE ZONE CONFIGURATION WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND CONTINUE TO
COVER ALL OF NORTHERN NYE COUNTY. THE ZONE UGC WILL ALSO REMAIN
THE SAME...NVZ013.

THIS CHANGE WILL COINCIDE WITH THE CURRENT FIRE WEATHER ZONE
CONFIGURATION FOR THE ELKO OFFICE. IN ADDITION...THE NORTHERN
NYE COUNTY PUBLIC ZONE BETTER FITS THE CLIMATOLOGY AND TERRAIN OF
EAST CENTRAL NEVADA FOR WHICH THE ELKO OFFICE IS CURRENTLY
RESPONSIBLE.

ALSO...NOTE THAT ON THE SAME EFFECTIVE DATE...THE RESPONSIBILITY
FOR ISSUING THE TERMINAL FORECAST FOR TONOPAH AIRPORT /FTUS80
KTPH...TAFTPH/ WILL ALSO BE TRANSFERRED FROM WFO LAS VEGAS TO WFO
ELKO. A FUTURE TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE WILL PROVIDE MORE
DETAIL ON THE TAF TRANSFER.

AN UPDATED ZONE MAP SHAPEFILE CONTAINING THE TRANSFERRED ZONE IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/.

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

ALSO...A MAP SHOWING THIS ZONE COUNTY WARNING FORECAST AREA ASSIGNMENT CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT THE FOLLOWING WEB URL ADDRESS /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/.

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lasvegas/images/newzones.jpg>

NWS CUSTOMERS WHO AUTOMATICALLY PROCESS PRODUCTS LISTED IN TABLE 1 MAY NEED TO PROGRAM THEIR SYSTEM/S/ NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 20 2003 TO CONTINUE PROCESSING THE PRODUCTS ACCURATELY.

TABLE 1 KEY PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THE TRANSFER OF NORTHERN NYE COUNTY /ZONE NVZ013 AND NVC023/ FORECAST AND WARNING RESPONSIBILITIES.

COVERAGE OF ZONE NVZ013 AND THE CORRESPONDING NORTHERN PORTION OF NYE COUNTY WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE FOLLOWING LAS VEGAS PRODUCTS

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST	FPUS55 KVEF	ZFPVEF
SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING	WUUS55 KVEF	SVRVEF
SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS55 KVEF	SVSVEF
TORNADO WARNING	WFUS55 KVEF	TORVEF
WATCH COUNTY NOTIFICATION	WWUS65 KVEF	WCNVEF
WINTER STORM WATCH/WARNING	WWUS45 KVEF	WSWVEF
FLASH FLOOD WATCH	WGUS65 KVEF	FFAVEF
FLASH FLOOD WARNING	WGUS55 KVEF	FFWVEF
FLOOD STATEMENT	WGUS85 KVEF	FLSVEF
FLOOD WARNING	WGUS45 KVEF	FLWVEF
HAZARDOUS WEATHER OUTLOOK	FLUS45 KVEF	HWOVEF
LOCAL STORM REPORT	NWUS55 KVEF	LSRVEF
SHORT TERM FORECAST	FPUS75 KVEF	NOWVEF
NON-PRECIPITATION WARNING	WWUS75 KVEF	NPWVEF
SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS85 KVEF	SPSVEF
RECORD EVENT REPORT	SXUS75 KVEF	RERLAS
AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION	FXUS65 KVEF	AFDLAS

COVERAGE OF ZONE NVZ013 AND THE CORRESPONDING NORTHERN PORTION OF NYE COUNTY WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING ELKO PRODUCTS

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST	FPUS55 KLKN	ZFPLKN
SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING	WUUS55 KLKN	SVRLKN
SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS55 KLKN	SVSLKN
TORNADO WARNING	WFUS55 KLKN	TORLKN

WATCH COUNTY NOTIFICATION WWUS65 KLKN WCNLKN
WINTER STORM WATCH/WARNING WWUS45 KLKN WSWLKN
FLASH FLOOD WATCH WGUS65 KLKN FFALKN
FLASH FLOOD WARNING WGUS55 KLKN FFWLKN
FLOOD STATEMENT WGUS85 KLKN FLSLKN
FLOOD WARNING WGUS45 KLKN FLWLKN
HAZARDOUS WEATHER OUTLOOK FLUS45 KLKN HWOLKN
LOCAL STORM REPORT NWUS55 KLKN LSRLKN
SHORT TERM FORECAST FPUS75 KLKN NOWLKN
NON-PRECIPIATION WARNING WWUS75 KLKN NPWLKN
SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT WWUS85 KLKN SPSLKN
RECORD EVENT REPORT SXUS75 KLKN REREKO
AREA FORECAST DISCUSSION FXUS65 KLKN AFDEKO

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS CHANGE...PLEASE CONTACT

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