

NOUS41 KWBC 271743  
PNSWSH

SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 04-28  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
150 PM EDT TUE APR 27 2004

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...PARTNERS...AND USERS OF THE FIRE  
WEATHER FORECAST...NWS EMPLOYEES

FROM: JAMES E. LEE  
CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: EXISTING WFO SALT LAKE CITY FIRE WEATHER ZONE BOUNDARY  
CHANGES FOR ZONES 427...428...429...431...432...  
436...437 AND 438...EFFECTIVE MAY 1 2004

EFFECTIVE SATURDAY MAY 1 2004 AT 800 A.M. MOUNTAIN DAYLIGHT TIME  
/MDT/...1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL  
WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN SALT LAKE  
CITY UTAH WILL CHANGE THE EXISTING FIRE WEATHER ZONE BOUNDARIES  
FOR FIRE WEATHER ZONES 427...428...429...431... 432...436...437  
AND 438. THE PURPOSE OF THE CHANGES TO FIRE WEATHER ZONE  
BOUNDARIES IS TO ALLOW THE ZONES TO BE GROUPED BY INTERAGENCY  
DISPATCH CENTER. A LIST OF AFFECTED PRODUCTS IS SHOWN BELOW IN  
TABLE 1.

NWS CUSTOMERS WHO AUTOMATICALLY PROCESS PRODUCTS LISTED IN  
TABLE 1 MAY NEED TO REPROGRAM THEIR SYSTEM/S/ NO LATER THAN  
MAY 1 2004 TO CONTINUE PROCESSING THE PRODUCTS ACCURATELY.

THE UPDATED FIRE WEATHER ZONE MAP IS AVAILABLE AS A SHAPEFILE AT THE  
FOLLOWING WEB SITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

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

THE CHANGES THAT WILL BE EFFECTIVE MAY 1 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN ZONE 427 AND 428 WILL MOVE TO THE  
SUMMIT...DUCHESNE COUNTY LINE SUCH THAT THE WASATCH CACHE  
NATIONAL FOREST IN THE UINTA MOUNTAINS IS IN ZONE 427.
2. THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN ZONE 429 AND ZONE 432 WILL MOVE TO THE  
CARBON...DUCHESNE COUNTY LINE.
3. THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN ZONE 431 AND 436 WILL MOVE TO THE LINE  
BETWEEN THE SANPETE AND PRICE/FERRON DISTRICTS OF THE  
MANTI-LA SAL NATIONAL FOREST.

4. THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN ZONE 432 AND 438 WILL MOVE TO THE EMERY...WAYNE COUNTY LINE SUCH THAT RICHFIELD BLM IN WAYNE COUNTY EAST OF CAPITOL REEF NATIONAL PARK IS NOW IN ZONE 438.
5. THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN ZONE 437 AND 438 WILL MOVE TO THE WESTERN BORDER OF CAPITOL REEF NATIONAL PARK SUCH THAT THE ENTIRE PARK IS INCLUDED IN ZONE 438.

TABLE 1. PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY SALT LAKE CITY WFO FIRE WEATHER ZONE BOUNDARY CHANGES...EFFECTIVE MAY 1 2004.

PRODUCT	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS55 KSLC	FWFSLC
LAND MANAGEMENT FORECAST	FNUS85 KSLC	FWLSLC
NATIONAL FIRE DANGER RATING SYSTEM FORECAST	FNUS85 KSLC	FWMSLC
FIRE WEATHER WATCH	WWUS85 KSLC	RFWSLC
RED FLAG WARNING	WWUS85 KSLC	RFWSLC

THE REASON FOR THE SHORT ADVANCE LEAD TIME OF THIS IMPLEMENTATION IS BECAUSE USER MEETINGS WITH THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST COORDINATING GROUP'S FIRE WEATHER WORKING TEAM DID NOT OCCUR UNTIL FEBRUARY 2004. FIRE WEATHER USERS REQUESTED THAT CHANGES BE IMPLEMENTED FOR THE 2004 LAND MANAGEMENT SEASON...WHICH BEGAN THE FIRST WEEK OF APRIL 2004.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...YOU MAY CONTACT:

CHRIS BRENCHLEY  
 FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM LEADER  
 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
 2242 WEST NORTH TEMPLE  
 SALT LAKE CITY UT 84116  
 PHONE: 801-524-5133  
 EMAIL: CHRIS.BRENCHLEY@NOAA.GOV

THIS NOTICE AND OTHER SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

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

\$\$  
 NNNN