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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 04-31
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
145 PM EDT THU MAY 7 2004

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...NWS EMPLOYEES.

FROM: THERESE PIERCE
CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: MARINE ZONE COVERAGE CHANGE FOR NORTHEAST FLORIDA
COASTAL AND INLAND WATERS...EFFECTIVE JULY 27 2004.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY JULY 27 2004...AT 1100 AM EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME
/EDT/...OR 1500 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...MARINE ZONE
FORECASTS ISSUED BY THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN
JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA WILL BE IMPROVED TO ACCOUNT FOR GEOGRAPHIC
AND CLIMATOLOGICAL FACTORS.

THE CHANGE CONSOLIDATES ALL FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCTS FOR THE
COASTAL WATERS OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA BETWEEN FERNANDINA BEACH
FLORIDA AND ST. AUGUSTINE FLORIDA OUT TO 20 NAUTICAL MILES INTO
THE MARINE ZONE AMZ452.

BECAUSE OF THESE CONSOLIDATIONS...USE OF AND REFERENCE TO MARINE
ZONE AMZ435...PORT OF JACKSONVILLE...WILL BE DISCONTINUED. THIS
CHANGE WILL SIMPLIFY THE NUMBER OF MARINE ZONES NEEDED TO
EFFECTIVELY COVER THE FORECAST AREA AND ELIMINATE CONFUSION
ASSOCIATED WITH THE GEOGRAPHICAL DEFINITION OF THE ZONE.

FORECASTS AND WARNINGS FOR THE INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY AND ST.
JOHNS RIVER IN NORTHEAST FLORIDA WILL BE CONTAINED IN ROUTINE
LAND BASED ZONE FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCTS.

CUSTOMERS WILL NOT NEED TO MAKE ANY CHANGES TO CONTINUE TO
RECEIVE THE CURRENT AMZ452. THIS IMPROVEMENT DOES NOT AFFECT
PRODUCTS USING THE UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ COUNTY /C/
CODE.

TABLE 1. CHANGES MADE TO THE WFO JACKSONVILLE MARINE FORECAST
AREA. UGC ZONE /Z/ CODES ARE SHOW IN THE TABLE.

ZONE	UGC ZONE /Z/
/DELETED/	/DELETED/
PORT OF JACKSONVILLE	AMZ435

TABLE 2. MARINE PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THE CHANGES TO BE IMPLEMENTED JULY 27 2004

WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID	PRODUCT DESCRIPTION
FZUS52 KJAX	CWFJAX	COASTAL WATERS FORECAST
FZUS72 KJAX	MWSJAX	MARINE WEATHER STATEMENT

TABLE 3. COMPLETE ZONE CONFIGURATION FOR THE WFO JACKSONVILLE MARINE FORECAST AREA. UGC ZONE /Z/ CODES ARE SHOWN IN THE TABLE.

ZONE	UGC ZONE /Z/
/NO CHANGE/	/NO CHANGE/
SYNOPSIS FOR ALTAMAHA SOUND GA TO FLAGLER BEACH FL OUT 60 NM	AMZ400
COASTAL WATERS FROM ALTAMAHA SOUND GA TO FERNANDINA BEACH FL OUT 20 NM	AMZ450
WATERS FROM ALTAMAHA SOUND GA TO FERNANDINA BEACH FL FROM 20 NM TO 60 NM	AMZ470
COASTAL WATERS FROM FERNANDINA BEACH FL TO ST. AUGUSTINE FL OUT TO 20 NM	AMZ452
WATERS FROM FERNANDINA BEACH FL TO ST. AUGUSTINE FL FROM 20 NM TO 60 NM	AMZ472
COASTAL WATERS FROM ST. AUGUSTINE FL TO FLAGLER BEACH FL OUT TO 20 NM	AMZ454
WATERS FROM ST. AUGUSTINE FL TO FLAGLER BEACH FL FROM 20 NM TO 60 NM	AMZ474

AN UPDATED ZONE MAP SHAPEFILE CONTAINING THE CHANGES TO THE MARINE ZONES WILL BE AVAILABLE BY FRIDAY MAY 14 2004 FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/MARINEZONES.HTM

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

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