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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 05-19  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
330 PM EDT THU JUN 9 2005

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS...NOAA WEATHER  
WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS...EMRGENCY MANAGERS  
WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/SUBSCRIBERS...  
NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS...OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
/NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND PARTNERS...AND USERS OF THE FIRE  
WEATHER FORECASTS...NWS EMPLOYEES

FROM: ELI JACKS  
CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF FIRE WEATHER ZONES ISSUED BY WFO GRAND RAPIDS  
MICHIGAN: EFFECTIVE JULY 5 2005

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...JULY 5 AT 0001 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME  
/UTC/...1901 CENTRAL DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME /CDT/ NWS WEATHER  
FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN GRAND RAPIDS... MICHIGAN /GRR/ WILL  
RECONFIGURE ITS FIRE WEATHER ZONES UTILIZING THE ONE COUNTY...ONE  
FIRE WEATHER ZONE CONCEPT.

THE PRESENT FIRE WEATHER ZONE NUMBERS AND A DESCRIPTION OF EACH  
ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MI ZN 037 MASON...LAKE...OSCEOLA...NEWAYGO...AND MECOSTA  
COUNTIES...INCLUDING THE SOUTHERN THREE QUARTERS  
OF MANISTEE NF

MI ZN 040 CLARE AND ISABELLA COUNTIES

MI ZN 050 MUSKEGON...OTTAWA...ALLEGAN AND VAN BUREN COUNTIES

MI ZN 051 MONTCALM...GRATIOT...KENT...IONIA AND CLINTON  
COUNTIES

MI ZN 065 BARRY...EATON...INGHAM...KALAMAZOO...CALHOUN AND  
JACKSON COUNTIES

THE NEW FIRE WEATHER ZONE NUMBERS AND A DESCRIPTION OF EACH ARE  
AS FOLLOWS:

MI ZN 037 MASON...INCLUDING WEST CENTRAL MANISTEE NF

MI ZN 038 LAKE...INCLUDING EAST CENTRAL MANISTEE NF

MI ZN 039 OSCEOLA

MI ZN 040 CLARE

MI ZN 043 OCEANA...INCLUDING SOUTHWEST MANISTEE NF

MI ZN 044 NEWAYGO...INCLUDING SOUTHEAST MANISTEE NF

MI ZN 045 MECOSTA  
MI ZN 046 ISABELLA  
MI ZN 050 MUSKEGON  
MI ZN 051 MONTCALM  
MI ZN 052 GRATIOT  
MI ZN 056 OTTAWA  
MI ZN 057 KENT  
MI ZN 058 IONIA  
MI ZN 059 CLINTON  
MI ZN 064 ALLEGAN  
MI ZN 065 BARRY  
MI ZN 066 EATON  
MI ZN 067 INGHAM  
MI ZN 071 VAN BUREN  
MI ZN 072 KALAMAZOO  
MI ZN 073 CALHOUN  
MI ZN 074 JACKSON

A SHAPEFILE OF THE NEW FIRE WEATHER ZONES IS AVAILABLE FOR  
DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/FIREZONE.HTM](http://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/FIREZONE.HTM)

THE REASON FOR THE SHORT ADVANCE LEAD TIME IS BECAUSE THESE  
CHANGES ARE NECESSARY IN ANTICIPATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
VTEC/GHG. THEREFORE...IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE FIRE WEATHER ZONE  
CHANGES ARE NECESSARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WFO  
DETROIT...WHICH IS PARTICIPATING IN THE BETA TEST OF  
VTEC/GHG...CAN TEST THE CHANGES.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SERVICE CHANGE AND/OR  
PRODUCT ADDITIONS...CONTACT:

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