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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-06
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
820 AM EST FRI FEB 8 2008

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
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FROM: ELI JACKS
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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF FIRE WEATHER FORECAST SERVICE PROGRAM
AT THE NWS DES MOINES IA FORECAST OFFICE: EFFECTIVE
MARCH 11 2008

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY MARCH 11 2008 AT 0001 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL
TIME /UTC/...THE NWS FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ AT DES MOINES IA WILL
BEGIN ISSUING A FULL SUITE OF FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS FOR ITS
COUNTY WARNING AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. STARTING ON THAT DATE/TIME
THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS WILL BE ISSUED BY WFO DES MOINES:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADER	AWIPS ID
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FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS53 KDMX	FWFDMX
SITE-SPECIFIC /SPOT/ FORECAST	FNUS73 KDMX	FWSDMX
FIRE WEATHER WATCH/RED FLAG WARNING	WWUS83 KDMX	RFWDMX
RANGELAND/GRASSLAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT	FNUS63 KDMX	RFDDMX
FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGE	SHUS83 KDMX	FWNDMX
SMOKE MANAGEMENT FORECAST	FNUS73 KDMX	SMFDMX
FIRE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS	SHUS63 KDMX	FWOIA

PERTINENT PERSONNEL/OFFICES/AGENCIES WILL NEED TO ADD THE ABOVE
IDENTIFIERS TO THEIR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS TO RECEIVE THESE NWS
PRODUCTS

THE FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST /FWFDMX/ WILL PROVIDE EACH
COUNTY IN THE WFO DES MOINES AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY WITH A FIRE
WEATHER FORECAST. A LIST OF THE COUNTIES INVOLVED AND THE ZONE
NUMBER OF EACH COUNTY CAN BE VIEWED AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE

LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/RESOURCES/FIREWX_DMX_FEBRUARY_2008.PDF](http://www.weather.gov/os/notification/resources/firewx_dmx_febbruary_2008.pdf)

THESE FIRE WEATHER COUNTIES/ZONES MATCH EXISTING PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES. THE CURRENT FIRE WEATHER SHAPEFILE IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/FIREZONE.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/firezone.htm)

FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE ADDITIONS...CONTACT

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[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OM/NOTIF.HTM](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/notif.htm)

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