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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-07
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
820 AM EST FRI FEB 8 2008

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

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RANGELAND FIRE DANGER
PRODUCT /RFD/ FOR WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ AT
OMAHA AND HASTINGS NEBRASKA AND TOPEKA KANSAS:
EFFECTIVE MARCH 11 2008

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY MARCH 11 2008 AT 0001 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL
TIME /UTC/...THE NWS FORECAST OFFICE AT HASTINGS NEBRASKA WILL
BEGIN ISSUING A RANGELAND FIRE DANGER /RFD/ PRODUCT THAT WILL
CONTAIN THE FIRE DANGER INDEXES FOR COUNTIES IN ITS COUNTY
WARNING AREA /CWA/. AT THE SAME DATE/TIME THE RANGELAND FIRE
DANGER PRODUCTS ISSUED BY THE NWS FORECAST OFFICES AT OMAHA AND
TOPEKA WILL DROP THOSE COUNTIES FROM THEIR RFD PRODUCTS.

PERTINENT PERSONNEL/OFFICES/AGENCIES WILL NEED TO ADD THE
FOLLOWING IDENTIFIER TO THEIR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS TO RECEIVE
THIS NWS PRODUCT:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
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RANGELAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT	FNUS63 KGID	RFDGID

THIS RANGELAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT /RFDGID/ WILL PROVIDE EACH
COUNTY IN THE WFO HASTINGS 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_GID_
FEBRUARY_2008.PDF](http://www.weather.gov/os/notification/resources/firewx_gid_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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