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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-17...AMENDED  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
925 AM EST TUE MAR 3 2009

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:  
-FAMILY OF SERVICES  
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE  
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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE  
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SUBJECT: AMENDED: TO CHANGE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR WEATHER  
FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ DULUTH MINNESOTA TO START  
ISSUING SURF ZONE FORECASTS /SRF/ WITH RIP  
CURRENT INFORMATION UNTIL JUNE 15 2009...TO  
CHANGE ISSUANCE TIME AND TO ADD SEASONAL  
TERMINATION DATES

AMENDED TO:  
-CHANGE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR WFO DULUTH FROM MAY 18 TO  
JUNE 15  
-ADJUST ISSUANCE TIMES FROM 1300 UTC TO 1100 UTC FOR  
ALL FOUR WFOS  
-ADD SEASONAL TERMINATION DATES FOR ALL 4 WFOS.

EFFECTIVE MONDAY MAY 18 2009 AT 1100 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL  
TIME /UTC/...0700 EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME /EDT/...OR 0600  
CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME /CDT/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE  
/NWS/ WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ IN CHICAGO  
ILLINOIS... GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN...AND NORTHERN INDIANA  
WILL BEGIN ISSUING THE SURF ZONE FORECASTS /SRF/ WITH RIP  
CURRENT INFORMATION.

EFFECTIVE MONDAY JUNE 15 2009 AT 1100 UTC...0700 EDT...OR  
0600 CDT...WFO DULUTH MINNESOTA WILL BEGIN ISSUING THE SRF  
WITH RIP CURRENT INFORMATION.

THE LAST SRF OF THE SEASON WILL BE ISSUED BY THE FOUR WFOS  
AS FOLLOWS:

WFO DULUTH	SEPTEMBER 15 2009
WFO CHICAGO	SEPTEMBER 30 2009
WFO GRAND RAPIDS	SEPTEMBER 30 2009
WFO NORTHERN INDIANA	SEPTEMBER 30 2009.

REFER TO NWS INSTRUCTION 10-310 FOR STANDARD PROCEDURE  
GOVERNING SURF ZONE FORECASTS AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/DIRECTIVES/SYM/PD01003010CURR.PDF](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/directives/sym/pd01003010curr.pdf)

THE SURF ZONE IS THE AREA OF WATER BETWEEN THE HIGH WATER OR TIDE LEVEL ON THE BEACH AND THE SEAWARD SIDE OF BREAKING WAVES. SELECT COASTAL WFOS HAVE ISSUED THE SRF SINCE 2002. IN 2008 WFO DULUTH BECAME THE FIRST GREAT LAKES OFFICE TO ISSUE THE SURF ZONE FORECAST.

TABLE 1 BELOW LISTS THE COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIERS FOR THE SURF ZONE FORECASTS /SRF/ ISSUED BY THESE FOUR WFOS:

TABLE 1: COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIERS FOR THE SURF ZONE FORECAST /SRF/ ISSUED BY WFOS DULUTH...GRAND RAPIDS...NORTHERN INDIANA...AND CHICAGO.

ISSUING WFO	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
DULUTH MN	FZUS53 KDLH	SRFDLH
GRAND RAPIDS MI	FZUS53 KGRR	SRFGRR
NORTHERN INDIANA	FZUS53 KIWX	SRFIWX
CHICAGO IL	FZUS53 KLOT	SRFLOT

CUSTOMERS INTERESTED IN THESE NEW PRODUCTS WILL NEED TO ADD THE PRODUCTS IDENTIFIERS SHOWN ABOVE TO THEIR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS TO RECEIVE THE NEW SURF ZONE FORECASTS FOR WFOS CHICAGO...GRAND RAPIDS...AND NORTHERN INDIANA ON MAY 18 2009 AND FOR DULUTH ON JUNE 15 2009.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIF.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/os/notif.htm)

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