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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-28
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SUBJECT: REMINDER: CHANGES IN PUBLIC ZONES...COUNTY WARNING
AREAS AND COUNTIES /AS USED IN AWIPS/ FOR NWS WEATHER
FORECAST OFFICES AT BALTIMORE MD/WASHINGTON DC...
WAKEFIELD VA AND MOUNT HOLLY NJ: EFFECTIVE JULY 15
2009

REFER TO SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-23 ONLINE AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/SCN09-23AAA_LWX_MARINE_ZONES.TXT

EFFECTIVE WEDNESDAY JULY 15 2009 AT 200 PM EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME
/EDT/ OR 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NWS WEATHER
FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ AT BALTIMORE MD/WASHINGTON DC /LWX/ WILL
RECONFIGURE SOME OF ITS MARINE ZONES FOR THE MARYLAND PORTION OF
CHESAPEAKE BAY AND THE TIDAL POTOMAC RIVER.

MOST OF THE SMALL RIVERS AND TRIBUTARIES CURRENTLY ASSOCIATED
WITH THESE MARINE ZONES WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO THE ADJACENT
/OR APPROPRIATE/ PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES FOR WFO LWX...WFO
WAKEFIELD VA /AKQ/ AND WFO MOUNT HOLLY NJ /PHI/. THIS
RECONFIGURATION WILL IMPROVE BOTH PUBLIC AND MARINE
WARNINGS...FORECASTS AND SERVICES BY ALLOWING THEM TO BE MORE
AREA SPECIFIC.

1. ON THE ABOVE EFFECTIVE DATE SMALL RIVERS AND TRIBUTARIES
CURRENTLY IN MARINE ZONES WITH UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/
ANZ536 /INDIAN HEAD TO COBB ISLAND/ AND ANZ537 /COBB ISLAND TO
SMITH POINT/ WILL BE REMOVED FROM THOSE MARINE ZONES AND
INCORPORATED INTO PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES UGC VAZ052 /PRINCE
WILLIAM-MANASSAS-MANASSAS PARK/...VAZ055 /STAFFORD/...VAZ057
/KING GEORGE/...MDZ016 /CHARLES/ AND MDZ017 /ST.MARY/S/ FOR WFO
LWX AND PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES UGC VAZ075 /WESTMORELAND/ AND
VAZ077 /NORTHUMBERLAND/ FOR WFO AKQ.

2. ON THE ABOVE EFFECTIVE DATE SMALL RIVERS AND TRIBUTARIES ON
THE WESTERN SHORE OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY CURRENTLY IN MARINE ZONE
ANZ530 /NORTH OF POOLES ISLAND/ WILL STAY IN MARINE ZONE ANZ530

WHILE SMALL RIVERS AND TRIBUTARIES ON THE EASTERN SHORE OF CHESAPEAKE BAY CURRENTLY IN MARINE ZONE ANZ530 WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES MDZ008 /CECIL/ AND MDZ012 /KENT/ FOR WFO PHI.

3. ON THE ABOVE EFFECTIVE DATE SMALL RIVERS AND TRIBUTARIES CURRENTLY IN MARINE ZONES ANZ531 /POOLES ISLAND TO SANDY POINT/...ANZ532 /SANDY POINT TO NORTH BEACH/ AND ANZ533 /NORTH BEACH TO DRUM POINT/ WILL BE INCORPORATED INTO PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES MDZ011 /SOUTHERN BALTIMORE/...MDZ014 /ANNE ARUNDEL/... MDZ017 /ST. MARY/S/ AND MDZ018 /CALVERT/ FOR WFO LWX AND MDZ012 /KENT/...MDZ015 /QUEEN ANNE/S/AND MDZ019 /TALBOT/ FOR WFO PHI.

A MAP DEPICTING THE RECONFIGURED PUBLIC ZONES...COUNTY WARNING AREAS AND COUNTIES /AS USED IN AWIPS/ FOR ALL THREE WFO/S IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/RESOURCES/LWX-PHI.HTML](http://www.weather.gov/os/notification/resources/lwx-phi.html)

TABLE 1. WFO BALTIMORE/WASHINGTON PUBLIC WEATHER PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THE PUBLIC/MARINE RECONFIGURATION:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
SEVERE THUNDERSTORM WARNING	WUUS51 KLWX	SVRLWX
TORNADO WARNING	WFUS51 KLWX	TORLWX
SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS51 KLWX	SVSLWX
SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT	WWUS81 KLWX	SPSLWX
WATCH COUNTY NOTIFICATION	WWUS61 KLWX	WCNLWX
ZONE FORECAST	FPUS51 KLWX	ZFPLWX
SHORT TERM FORECAST	FPUS71 KLWX	NOWLWX
HAZARDOUS WEATHER OUTLOOK	FLUS41 KLWX	HWOLWX

THE AFFECTED PRODUCTS...WMO HEADINGS AND AWIPS IDS FOR AKQ AND PHI ARE THE SAME AS SHOWN IN TABLE 1 ABOVE EXCEPT SUBSTITUTE AKQ IN PLACE OF LWX FOR WFO AKQ AND SUBSTITUTE PHI IN PLACE OF LWX FOR WFO PHI.

PARTNERS AND USERS MUST REPROGRAM AFFECTED HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE TO CONTINUE CORRECTLY PROCESSING PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS RECONFIGURATION.

UPDATED PUBLIC ZONE...COUNTY WARNING AREA AND COUNTIES /AS USED IN AWIPS/ ARE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES /USE LOWER CASE LETTERS/:

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

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

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/COUNTY/HTML/COUNTY.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/geodata/catalog/county/html/county.htm)

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