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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-55  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
200 PM EST THU DEC 17 2009

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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...AND NWS EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: CHANGE IN RESPONSIBILITY FOR SOME FIRE WEATHER  
ZONES/AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY IN SOUTHEASTERN MISSOURI  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 11 2010

THIS NOTICE IS BEING SENT WITH LESS THAN REQUIRED TIME TO A  
SYSTEM FAILURE AND BECAUSE THIS CHANGE RESULTS IN MINIMAL  
IMPACT TO USERS.

EFFECTIVE MONDAY JANUARY 11 2010 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL  
TIME /UTC/...THE NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN SAINT  
LOUIS MISSOURI /LSX/ WILL ASSUME FIRE WEATHER RESPONSIBILITY FOR  
SEVERAL ADDITIONAL FIRE WEATHER ZONES IN SOUTHEASTERN MISSOURI.

FIRE WEATHER FORECAST RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISSOURI FIRE WEATHER  
ZONES MOZ072...MOZ073...MOZ083...MOZ084 AND MOZ099 WILL BE  
TRANSFERRED FROM WFO SPRINGFIELD MO /SGF/ TO WFO LSX.

ALSO FIRE WEATHER FORECAST RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISSOURI FIRE  
WEATHER ZONES MO074...MOZ75 AND MOZ085 WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM  
WFO PADUCAH KY /PAH/ TO WFO LSX.

THIS CHANGE WILL IMPROVE FIRE WEATHER SERVICES /INCLUDING  
IMPROVED WATCH...WARNING AND FORECAST PRODUCTS/ BY MORE CLOSELY  
ALIGNING NWS WFO FORECAST RESPONSIBILITY WITH U.S. FOREST  
SERVICE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES WITHIN THE MARK TWAIN NATIONAL  
FOREST.

AREA FIRE WEATHER PARTNERS HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN THIS  
REALIGNMENT OF THE FIRE WEATHER AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY /AORS/  
AMONG WFO LSX...WFO /PAH/ AND WFO SGF. THIS REALIGNMENT WILL  
ALSO PROVIDE MORE CONSISTENT POINTS OF ORIGIN FOR ALL NWS  
PRODUCTS PRODUCED BY WFOS LSX...PAH...AND SGF.

TABLES 1 AND 2 BELOW LIST NWS FIRE WEATHER WATCH...WARNING AND  
FORECAST PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THESE CHANGES.

TABLE 1: FIRE WEATHER ZONES MOZ072...MOZ073...MOZ083...MOZ084 AND MOZ099 IN MISSOURI TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM WFO SGF TO WFO LSX

PRODUCT	OLD WMO HEADING /AWIPS ID	NEW/WMO HEADING /AWIPS ID
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FIRE WEATHER WATCH/WARNING	WWUS83 KSGF/RFWSGF	WWUS83 KLSX/RFWLSX
FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS53 KSGF/FWFSGF	FNUS53 KLSX/FWFLSX
NATIONAL FIRE DANGER RATING SYSTEM FORECAST	FNUS83 KSGF/FWMSGF	FNUS83 KLSX/FWMLSX
SPOT FORECAST	FNUS73 KSGF/FWSSGF	FNUS73 KLSX/FWSLSX
SPOT FORECAST REQUEST	BMBB91 KSGF/STQSGF	BMBB91 KLSX/STQLSX

TABLE 2: FIRE WEATHER ZONES MO074...MOZ75 AND MOZ085 IN MISSOURI TO BE TRANSFERRED FROM WFO PAH TO WFO LSX

PRODUCT	OLD WMO HEADING /AWIPS ID	NEW/WMO HEADING /AWIPS ID
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FIRE WEATHER WATCH/WARNING	WWUS83 KPAH/RFWPAH	WWUS83 KLSX/RFWLSX
FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS53 KPAH/FWFPAH	FNUS53 KLSX/FWFLSX
NATIONAL FIRE DANGER RATING SYSTEM FORECAST	FNUS83 KPAH/FWMPAH	FNUS83 KLSX/FWMLSX
SPOT FORECAST	FNUS73 KPAH/FWSPA	FNUS73 KLSX/FWSLSX
SPOT FORECAST REQUEST	BMBB91 KPAH/STQPAH	BMBB91 KLSX/STQLSX

NWS PARTNERS AND USERS WILL NEED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES TO THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS TO ACCOMMODATE THESE CHANGES.

A SHAPEFILE OF THE NEW FIRE WEATHER AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE /USE LOWERCASE/:

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

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