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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-55
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND 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 DUE TO A SYSTEM
FAILURE AND BECAUSE THIS CHANGES 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 MISSOURI /SGF/ TO WFO LSX.

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