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SUBJECT: AMENDED...CHANGES TO THE BOUNDARIES OF TWO FIRE WEATHER ZONES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA: EFFECTIVE MARCH 16 2010

AMENDED TO CHANGE IMPLEMENTATION DATE FROM TUESDAY FEBRUARY 16 2010 TO TUESDAY MARCH 16 2010.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...MARCH 16 2010 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN SAN DIEGO CALIFORNIA /SGX/ AND THE NWS WFO IN LAS VEGAS NEVADA /VEF/ WILL CHANGE TWO FIRE WEATHER ZONE BOUNDARIES AND ZONE DESCRIPTOR NAMES IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY CALIFORNIA /CAZ228 AND CAZ260/. THIS CHANGE WILL MAKE THESE FIRE WEATHER ZONES IDENTICAL IN GEOGRAPHIC EXTENT WITH THEIR PUBLIC ZONE COUNTERPARTS TO IMPROVE FIRE WEATHER SERVICES FOR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY CALIFORNIA AND ELIMINATE CONFUSION BETWEEN THE TWO WFOS.

THE CORRESPONDING PUBLIC ZONE CHANGES...WHICH WERE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 16 2004...ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE /USE LOWER CASE/: WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/SCN04-4_SO_CA_BOUNDCHG.TXT

ONCE THIS CHANGE HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED...THE FOLLOWING GEOGRAPHICAL DESCRIPTORS WILL BE USED FOR ALL FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCTS ISSUED FOR SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY CALIFORNIA:

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<td>VEF</td>
<td>CAZ228 MOJAVE DESERT INCLUDING MORONGO VALLEY...YUCCA VALLEY</td>
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CAZ228 PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: THIS INCLUDES THE MAJORITY OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY/S DESERT AREAS...EXCLUDING THE AREA ASSIGNED TO WFO SAN DIEGO...EXCLUDING THE JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK ASSIGNED TO WFO PHOENIX...AND EXCLUDING THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER VALLEY /CAZ229/.
SGX       CAZ260       VICTOR VALLEY-APPLE VALLEY-LUCERNE VALLEY-JOHNSON VALLEY

CAZ260 PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: THIS INCLUDES THE PORTION OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SOUTH OF A LINE EXTENDING FROM THE INTERSECTION OF KERN...LOS ANGELES...AND SAN BERNARDINO COUNTIES TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS MARINE CORPS TRAINING AREA...WEST OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS MARINE CORPS TRAINING AREA...NORTHWEST OF A LINE EXTENDING FROM THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS MARINE CORPS TRAINING AREA THEN FOLLOWING ALONG MIKISKA BOULEVARD TO THE 4000 FOOT ELEVATION CONTOUR...AND THE AREA NORTH OF THE 4000 FOOT CONTOUR FROM THIS POINT WESTWARD TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LINE BUT NOT INCLUDING ANY PORTION OF THE SAN BERNARDINO NATIONAL FOREST.

A MAP OF THESE NEW ZONES IS AVAILABLE AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/RESOURCES/CA_ZONES.GIF

NWS FIRE WEATHER WATCH...WARNING AND FORECAST PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE ARE AS FOLLOWS:

WFO VEF /FIRE WEATHER ZONE CAZ228/:

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USERS OF THESE PRODUCTS SHOULD MAKE THE NECESSARY CHANGES TO THEIR COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS TO ACCOMMODATE THESE ZONE CHANGES.

A SHAPEFILE CONTAINING THESE NEW FIRE WEATHER ZONES IS AVAILABLE AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/FIREZONE.HTM

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