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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 10-19
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
805 AM EDT WED MAR 31 2010

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
-FAMILY OF SERVICES
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE
-EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK
OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES
USERS OF TSUNAMI PRODUCTS

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SUBJECT: REMOVAL OF MARINE ZONES FROM NWS WEST COAST ALASKA TSUNAMI
WARNING CENTER /WC/ATWC/ TSUNAMI WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY PRODUCTS AND
CHANGE OF WC/ATWC BREAKPOINTS ALONG ALASKA AND THE WEST COAST: EFFECTIVE
AUGUST 3 2010.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY AUGUST 3 2010 AT 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...THE NWS WC/ATWC TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER WILL REMOVE MOST MARINE
ZONES FROM ITS PACIFIC TSUNAMI /TSU/ WATCH/WARNING/ ADVISORY W/W/A/
PRODUCT /WEPA41 PAAQ/.

ALSO EFFECTIVE TUESDAY AUGUST 3 2010 AT 1800 UTC...THE WC/ATWC WILL
CONVERT ITS PACIFIC TSUNAMI W/W/A BREAKPOINTS TO THE PUBLIC /LAND/ ZONE
BOUNDARIES TO ENSURE BREAKPOINTS MATCH PUBLIC /LAND/ ZONE BOUNDARIES ALONG
ALASKA AND THE WEST COAST.

THE ATLANTIC...GULF OF MEXICO...PUERTO RICO AND VIRGIN ISLANDS COASTS WILL
NOT BE AFFECTED BY THESE CHANGES.

AT PRESENT...BOTH MARINE AND PUBLIC /LAND/ ZONES ARE INCLUDED IN THE
WEPA41 SEGMENTED W/W/A PRODUCT. EFFECTIVE AUGUST 3 2010...THE WEPA41 PAAQ
PRODUCT WILL CONTAIN ONLY THE PUBLIC /LAND/ ZONES BECAUSE THE MARINE ZONES
DO NOT MATCH THE ADJACENT COASTAL PUBLIC /LAND/ ZONES.

THESE CHANGES WILL SIMPLIFY DISPLAY OF TSUNAMI W/W/A ON WEB-BASED DISPLAYS
AND ELIMINATE ZONE BREAKPOINT OVERLAP ISSUES.

SOME SPECIFIED MARINE ZONES...SUCH AS BAYS ENCLOSED WITHIN PUBLIC /LAND/
ZONES...MAY CONTINUE TO BE IN TSUNAMI W/W/A PRODUCTS.

SEE NWS INSTRUCTION /NWSI/ 10-302 /MARINE AND COASTAL SERVICES AREAS OF
RESPONSIBILITY/ FOR MAPS AND LISTINGS OF ALL MARINE ZONES. SEE NWSI 10-
507 /PUBLIC GEOGRAPHIC AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY/ FOR MAPS AND LISTINGS OF
ALL PUBLIC /LAND/ ZONES. SEE NWSI 10-701 /TSUNAMI WARNING CENTER
OPERATIONS/ FOR LISTINGS OF CURRENT TSUNAMI W/W/A/ BREAKPOINTS. ALL THESE
INSTRUCTIONS ARE POSTED AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/DIRECTIVES/](https://www.weather.gov/directives/)

A LIST OF THE NEW BREAKPOINTS EFFECTIVE AUGUST 3 2010 CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWERCASE/:

[HTTP://WCATWC.ARH.NOAA.GOV/2010BREAKPOINTS.DOC](http://WCATWC.ARH.NOAA.GOV/2010BREAKPOINTS.DOC)

TABLE 1 BELOW SHOWS THE TSUNAMI W/W/A PRODUCT THAT WILL NO LONGER CARRY MARINE ZONES /EXCEPT FOR A FEW ENCLOSED MARINE ZONES/...EFFECTIVE AUGUST 3 2010.

TABLE 1.

PRODUCT NAME -----	WMO HEADING -----	AWIPS ID -----	ISSUING CENTER -----
TSUNAMI MESSAGE	WEPA41 PAAQ	TSUWCA	WC/ATWC

CUSTOMERS SHOULD MAKE APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO THEIR SYSTEMS. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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