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CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: A SPLIT OF WESTMORELAND COUNTY AND FAYETTE COUNTY FIRE AND PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA: EFFECTIVE MONDAY NOVEMBER 15 2010

EFFECTIVE MONDAY NOVEMBER 15 2010 AT 100 PM EASTERN STANDARD TIME /EST/...1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NWS PITTSBURGH PENNSYLVANIA WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO PBZ/ WILL SPLIT TWO FIRE AND PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES INTO FOUR NEW ZONES.

WESTMORELAND PENNSYLVANIA...CURRENTLY PAZ030...WILL SPLIT INTO WESTMORELAND /PAZ073/ AND WESTMORELAND RIDGES /PAZ074/.

FAYETTE PENNSYLVANIA...CURRENTLY PAZ032...WILL SPLIT INTO FAYETTE /PAZ075/AND FAYETTE RIDGES /PAZ076/.

THESE CHANGES APPLY TO BOTH FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES.

TABLE 1. ZONE /Z/ FORM OF THE UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ AND FIRE/PUBLIC FORECAST ZONE NAMES/NUMBERS FOR WFO PBZ USERS:

NEW ZONE NAME	NEW UGC /Z/	OLD ZONE NAME	OLD UGC /Z/
WESTMORELAND	PAZ073	WESTMORELAND	PAZ030
WESTMORELAND RIDGES	PAZ074	WESTMORELAND	PAZ030
FAYETTE	PAZ075	FAYETTE	PAZ032
FAYETTE RIDGES	PAZ076	FAYETTE	PAZ032

THESE CHANGES WILL ALLOW FORECASTERS TO FOCUS ON DISTINCT CLIMATE REGIMES AND MORE AREA SPECIFIC FORECAST AND WARNINGS.

A GRAPHICAL DEPICTION OF THE NEW FIRE AND PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES IS ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.ERH.NOAA.GOV/PBZ/WESTMORELANDANDFAYETTE CHANGES.HTM

TABLE 2. WFO PITTSBURGH PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THE CHANGES EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15 2010:

WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
AEUS71 KPBZ	AQAPBZ
AEUS71 KPBZ	AQIPBZ
FXUS61 KPBZ	AFDPBZ
FOUS51 KPBZ	AFMPBZ
SXUS51 KPBZ	HYDPBZ
FGUS51 KPBZ	RVDPBZ
FNUS51 KPBZ	FWFPBZ
WWUS81 KPBZ	RFWPBZ
WGUS61 KPBZ	FFAPBZ
WGUS61 KPBZ	FFAPBZ
FLUS41 KPBZ	HWOPBZ
WTUS81 KPBZ	HLSPBZ
SEUS61 KPBZ	EQRPBZ
FGUS71 KPBZ	ESFPBZ
FGUS81 KPBZ	RVSPBZ
SRUS41 KPBZ	RVAPBZ
WWUS71 KPBZ	NPWPBZ
FOUS51 KPBZ	PFMPBZ
NOUS41 KPBZ	PNSPBZ
WWUS81 KPBZ	RFWPBZ
FPUS71 KPBZ	NOWPBZ
WWUS81 KPBZ	SPSPBZ
WWUS41 KPBZ	WSWPBZ
FPUS51 KPBZ	ZFPPBZ
	FGUS71 KPBZ FGUS81 KPBZ SRUS41 KPBZ WWUS71 KPBZ FOUS51 KPBZ NOUS41 KPBZ WWUS81 KPBZ FPUS71 KPBZ WWUS81 KPBZ WWUS81 KPBZ

THOSE AFFECTED BY THESE CHANGES SHOULD TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION SO THEIR SYSTEM/S/ RECOGNIZE THE NEW ZONE /Z/ UGCS AND THE NEW ZONE ALIGNMENTS FOR WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

AN UPDATED PUBLIC ZONE MAP SHAPEFILE IS ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/: HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/PUBZONE.HTM

AN UPDATED FIRE ZONE MAP SHAPEFILE IS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

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

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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