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Subject: Service Transfer of Cheshire and Hillsborough Counties to the Gray, Maine, NWS Weather Forecast Office: Effective December 3, 2014

Effective Wednesday, December 3, 2014, at 800 AM Eastern Standard Time (EST), 1300 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), NWS will transfer all warning and forecast responsibility for Cheshire and Hillsborough counties, NH, to the NWS Weather Forecast Office (WFO) in Gray, ME, (GYX), from WFO Taunton, MA (BOX). This transfer will enable more efficient service.

Partners and users must take appropriate action to receive the products listed in the tables below using the new communication headers shown below. This list of products is not exhaustive. Other products that contain Universal Geographic Codes (UGCs) may also be affected.

Table 1: Counties to be Transferred to WFO GYX from WFO BOX

County Name	UGC County (C) Code	UGC Zone (Z) Code
Cheshire	NHC005	NHZ011
Western and Central Hillsborough	NHC011	NHZ015
Eastern Hillsborough	NHC011	NHZ012

Table 2: Short-Fused Warning Products (UGC - C)

Product	WMO Heading	AWIPS ID
Tornado Warning	(NEW) WFUS51 KGYX	TORGYX
	(OLD) WFUS51 KBOX	TORBOX
Severe Thunderstorm Warning	(NEW) WUUS51 KGYX	X SVRGYX
	(OLD) WUUS51 KBOX	X SVRBOX

Product	OMW	Heading		AWIPS ID
Flash Flood Warning	(NEW) * (OLD)	WGUS51 WGUS51	_	FFWGYX FFWBOX*
Severe Weather Statement	(NEW) * (OLD)	WWUS51 WWUS51	_	SVSGYX SVSBOX*
Flash Flood Statement	(NEW) * (OLD)	WGUS71 WGUS71	_	FFSGYX FFSBOX*
Civil Emergency Message	(NEW) * (OLD)	WOUS41 WOUS41	_	CEMGYX CEMBOX*

Table 3: Long-fused Products and Products Related to Short-Fused Products Listed in Table 2 (UGC - Z)

Product	WMO Heading	AWIPS ID
Zone Forecast Product	(NEW) FPUS51 KGYX *(OLD) FPUS51 KBOX	ZFPGYX ZFPBOX*
Flash Flood Watch	(NEW) WGUS61 KGYX *(OLD) WGUS61 KBOX	FFAGYX FFABOX*
Non-Precipitation Watch/Warning/ Advisory	(NEW) WWUS71 KGYX *(OLD) WWUS41 KBOX	NPWGYX NPWBOX*
Special Weather Statement	(NEW) WWUS81 KGYX *(OLD) WWUS81 KBOX	SPSGYX SPSBOX*
Public Information Statement	(NEW) NOUS41 KGYX *(OLD) NOUS41 KBOX	PNSGYX PNSBOX*
Local Storm Report	(NEW) NWUS51 KGYX *(OLD) NWUS51 KBOX	LSRGYX LSRBOX*

Hydrologic Service Area (HSA) responsibilities for the river forecast locations in the affected counties also will change. NWS will transfer the responsibility for issuing river statements/summaries and flood watches/warnings/statements from WFO BOX to WFO GYX:

On the Connecticut River, for North Walpole (WLPN3)

On the Souhegan River, for Merrimack (SOHN3)

On the Merrimack River, for Goffs Falls (GOFN3) and Nashua (NSHN3)

On the Contoocook River, for Petersborough (PTRN3)

On the Piscataquog River, for Goffstown (GFFN3).

Table 4: River Products Issued for the Above-Mentioned Locations

Product	WMO Heading			AWIPS ID	
Flood Statement	(NEW)	WGUS81	KGYX	FLSGYX FLSBOX*	
Flood Warning				FLWGYX FLWBOX*	
Flood Watch				FFAGYX FFABOX*	
River Statement	(NEW) * (OLD)	FGUS81 FGUS81	KGYX KBOX	RVSGYX RVSBOX*	
Hydrologic Outlook				ESFGYX ESFBOX*	
River Stage Forecast				RVFGYX RVFBOX	
Hydrologic Observations				HYDGYX HYDBOX*	
Daily River and Lake Summary				RVDGYX RVDBOX*	
Max/Min Temperature and Precipitation Summary				RTPGYX RTPBOX*	

Products marked with an asterisk (*) will continue to be issued by WFO BOX but will no longer contain warning and forecast information for Cheshire and Hillsborough Counties, NH.

Table 5: Products Issued for the Manchester-Boston Regional Airport in Manchester, NH (KMHT)

Product		OMW	Heading		AWIPS ID
Terminal Aerodrome Forecast	(TAF)	(NEW)	FTUS41	KGYX	TAFMHT
		(OLD)	FTUS41	KBOX	TAFMHT
Airport Weather Warning		(NEW)	WWUS81	KGYX	AWWMHT
		(OLD)	WWUS81	KBOX	AWWMHT

In addition, the TAF will be remain in the existing TAF collectives below, which are transmitted to Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) personnel and other external customers:

WMO Heading Available to the Following Customers: _____ FTUS80 KWBC Non-FAA Domestic and Family of Services FTUS90 KWBC FAA Weather Message Switching Center and FAA Facilities FTUS52 KWBC Global Telecommunication System Customers

Holders of NWS Procedural Instruction 10-813 (Terminal Aerodrome Forecasts) should make appropriate additions to the appendices.

Updated service area shapefiles are online at:

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/pubzone.htm http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/firezone.htm http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/county/html/county.htm http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/cwa.htm http://www.weather.gov/geodata/catalog/hydro/html/hsa.htm

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