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Subject: Change in AWIPS Baseline County Warning Area (CWA)
Shapefile Attribute Table Effective April 16, 2015

Effective April 16, 2015, NWS is adding six additional attributes to its AWIPS baseline CWA shapefile attribute table. The current four attributes will not be changed.

Current CWA Attributes:

1. CWA
2. WFO
3. LON
4. LAT

Added CWA attributes:

5. Region
6. FullStaId
7. CityState
8. City
9. State
10. ST

A snippet of the new attribute table is online at:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/afs/cwa.png>

This change only adds new attributes to the current AWIPS CWA shapefile attribute table. No changes are being made to county geographic extents, names or numbers.

Partners and users should download the expanded attribute table shapefile (w_16ap15) as soon as possible as this will be the only official AWIPS CWA shapefile going forward and is the only AWIPS CWA shapefile that will be updated with future county changes. Partners and users may continue to use the w_03de14 AWIPS CWA

shapefile, if necessary, until any required systems upgrades are completed or until a change to CWA geographic extents, names or numbers is made by the NWS and announced in a future Service Change Notice.

AWIPS CWA shapefiles are online at:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/cwa.htm>

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