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Subject:  Service Transfer of Fire Weather Zones ALZ014 in North Central Alabama: Effective April 5, 2016

Effective Tuesday, April 5, 2016, at 400 AM Central Daylight Time (CDT), 0900 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), fire weather forecast responsibility for Alabama Fire Weather Zone ALZ014 (Winston) will be transferred from NWS Weather Forecast Office (WFO) Birmingham, AL, (BMX) to NWS WFO Huntsville, AL, (HUN). All fire weather zone numbers and names will remain unaltered.

The zone transfer will simplify coordination and better serve the needs of those who use NWS fire weather services at the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) Bankhead National Forest by allowing them to receive all fire weather forecasts from one NWS WFO.

Table 1: ALZ014 (Winston) Fire Weather Watch, Warning, and Forecast Products affected by this change

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Partners and users of WFO BMX and WFO HUN fire weather services
will need to update their system(s) to continue receiving appropriate products for ALZ014 (Winston).

No changes are being made to any public weather forecast zone.

An updated fire zone shapefile is online at:


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