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              Office of Observations

SUBJECT:     Updated: NWS Upper Air Station in Boise, ID  
              Transitioned to GPS Lockheed Martin LMS-6 403  
              MHz Radiosonde with the Lockheed Martin  
              Groundstation (LMG) on April 11, 2019

Updated to change the effective date to April 11, 2019.

Effective 12 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC) April 11, 2019, the National Weather Service (NWS) transitioned the Boise, Idaho, upper air station from the Radiosonde Replacement System (RRS) to the Lockheed Martin Groundstation (LMG) system and the Lockheed Martin LMS-6 GPS 403 MHz radiosonde. The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) Radiosonde Identification Code for the 403 MHz LMS-6 Radiosonde is 11. With this new system, there will be a reduction in significant levels generated due to differing significant level criteria; however WMO criteria will still be met.

STATION NAME	WMO NUMBER	STATION ID
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Boise, Idaho	72681	KBOI

No missed observations occurred during the equipment transition. This office will continue to use this new radiosonde until further notice. The change of systems is required due to reported radio frequency interference of the RRS system with the National Interagency Fire Center's (NIFC) Direct Readout Ground Station (DRGS).

NWS will issue an update to this Service Change Notice if additional information needs to be communicated on this transition.

If you have any questions regarding the change, contact:

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