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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-68  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
1100 AM EDT WED AUG 11 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE  
CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: RECONFIGURATION OF PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES IN MUCH OF  
NEVADA...EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 13 1999

THE NWS WILL RECONFIGURE PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST AREAS IN MUCH OF NEVADA ON  
OCTOBER 13 1999 AT 1100 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...4 A.M. PDT.  
THESE RECONFIGURATIONS WILL HELP PROVIDE BETTER SITE-SPECIFIC FORECASTS BY  
AFFORDING FORECASTERS THE NEEDED FLEXIBILITY TO GROUP NEW SMALLER ZONES  
TOGETHER OR SEPARATE THEM OUT TO MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT ONGOING AND  
PREDICTED WEATHER.

TABLE 1 LISTS THE PRODUCT CATEGORIES AFFECTED. TABLE 2 IS A LIST OF THE  
RECONFIGURED NEW ZONES. A ZONE WILL BE NAMED EITHER BY COUNTY /OR  
COUNTIES/ OR OTHER RECOGNIZABLE GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES.

MANY NWS PRODUCTS /NOT JUST ZONE FORECASTS/ WILL BE AFFECTED BY ZONE  
RECONFIGURATIONS. THIS IS BECAUSE THE ZONE /Z/ FORM OF THE UNIVERSAL  
GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ USED IN THESE PRODUCTS WILL CONTAIN THE NEW ZONE  
NUMBERS TO FURTHER IDENTIFY SPECIFIC AREAS BY ZONE WITHIN THE STATE. THE  
CATEGORIES OF AFFECTED PRODUCTS THAT USE THE Z FORM OF THE UGC ARE LISTED  
IN TABLE 1 WITH THEIR NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ IDENTIFIERS AND  
WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADINGS. USERS WHO SELECT  
INFORMATION FOR SPECIFIC ZONES WILL NEED TO USE THE NEW UGC FOR THE  
RECONFIGURED ZONES.

THESE ZONE CHANGES UPDATE PAGES A-115 AND A-116 OF NATIONAL WEATHER  
SERVICE OPERATIONS MANUAL /WSOM/ CHAPTER C-11...ZONE AND LOCAL  
FORECASTS...APPENDIX A /ZONE FORECAST MAPS/. UPDATED ZONE MAPS CAN BE  
DOWNLOADED OFF THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/MODERNIZE/ST-MAPS/MAPS.HTML](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/modernize/st-maps/maps.html)

OR YOU MAY CONTACT THE FOLLOWING:

NWS ELKO NEVADA - 702-778-6716  
NWS LAS VEGAS NEVADA - 702-263-9744  
NWS RENO NEVADA - 702-673-8100

TABLE 1: PRODUCT CATEGORIES AFFECTED BY ZONE RECONFIGURATIONS

NEVADA PRODUCTS -----	NWWS ID ----	WMO HEADING -----
ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT	ZFP	FPUS55 -SEE TABLE 2
WINTER WEATHER WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY	WSW	WWUS45
NON-PRECIPITATION WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY	NPW	WWUS45 +
FLASH FLOOD WATCH	FFA	RWUS31 + OR WGUS45
SHORT TERM FORECAST	NOW	FPUS75
PARTIAL STATE FORECAST PRODUCT	SFP	FPUS65
SEVERE WEATHER STATEMENT	SVS	WWUS34 +
SPECIAL WEATHER STATEMENT	SPS	WWUS35 +
FLASH FLOOD STATEMENT	FFS	RWUS32 +
FLOOD STATEMENT	FLS	RWUS42 +
PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT	PNS	ABUS34 +
CIVIL EMERGENCY MESSAGE	CEM	MMUS40 +
LOCAL STORM REPORT	LSR	WWUS30 +
NV STATE /WIDE/ WEATHER ROUNDUP	RNOSWRNV	ASUS45 KRNO +
NV STATE /WIDE/ FORECAST PRODUCT	RNOSFPNV	FPUS65 KREV

+ THESE WMO HEADINGS TO BE CHANGED AT A LATER DATE. MONITOR  
[HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/OSO/NOTICES/NOTICES.SHTML](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/oso/notices/notices.shtml) /LOWER CASE/ OR NOXX10  
 KWBC FOR ANNOUCEMENTS REGARDING WMO HEADING CHANGES.

TABLE 2: RECONFIGURED NEVADA ZONES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 13 1999 AT 1100 UTC.

2A. PRODUCTS ISSUED BY NWSFO RENO NEVADA:

ZONE FORECAST - RNOZFPREV - FPUS55 KREV

UGC Z     ZONE NAME  
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 NVZ001- MINERAL/SOUTHERN LYON COUNTIES  
 NVZ002- GREATER LAKE TAHOE AREA  
 NVZ003- GREATER RENO/CARSON CITY/MINDEN AREA  
 NVZ004- WESTERN NEVADA BASIN AND RANGE  
 NVZ005- NORTHERN WASHOE COUNTY

2B. PRODUCTS ISSUED BY NWSO LAS VEGAS NEVADA:

ZONE FORECAST - RNOZFPVEF - FPUS55 KVEF

UGC Z     ZONE NAME  
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 NVZ013- NORTHERN NYE  
 NVZ014- ESMERALDA AND CENTRAL NYE COUNTIES  
 NVZ015- LINCOLN COUNTY  
 NVZ016- NORTHEAST CLARK COUNTY  
 NVZ017- WESTERN CLARK AND SOUTHERN NYE COUNTIES  
 NVZ018- SHEEP RANGE  
 NVZ019- SPRING MOUNTAINS/RED ROCK CANYON  
 NVZ020- LAS VEGAS VALLEY  
 NVZ021- LAKE MEAD/LAKE MOHAVE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA  
 NVZ022- SOUTHERN CLARK COUNTY

2C. PRODUCTS ISSUED BY NWSO ELKO NEVADA:  
ZONE FORECAST - RNOZFPLKN - FPUS55 KLKN

UGC Z     ZONE NAME

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NVZ030- HUMBOLDT COUNTY  
NVZ031- NORTHERN ELKO COUNTY  
NVZ032- SOUTHWEST AND SOUTH CENTRAL ELKO COUNTIES  
NVZ033- EXTREME EASTERN ELKO COUNTY  
NVZ034- RUBY MOUNTAINS/EAST HUMBOLDT RANGE  
NVZ035- WHITE PINE COUNTY  
NVZ036- NORTHERN LANDER COUNTY AND NORTHERN EUREKA COUNTY  
NVZ037- SOUTHERN LANDER COUNTY AND SOUTHERN EUREKA COUNTY

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