TO: FAMILY OF SERVICE /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS
FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ CUSTOMERS AND EMPLOYEES

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CHIEF...INTEGRATED HYDROMEETEOROLOGY SERVICES

SUBJECT: CORRECTED: TRANSFER OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY TO NWS TALLAHASSEE...EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15 1999

CORRECTED WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADERS TO USE KTAE INSTEAD OF KTLH.

EFFECTIVE MONDAY...NOVEMBER 15 1999 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...700 AM EST...SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS...INCLUDING FIRE WEATHER WATCHES AND RED FLAG WARNINGS...FOR LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES IN NORTHWEST FLORIDA...SOUTHWEST GEORGIA AND EXTREME SOUTHEAST ALABAMA WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NWS OFFICE AT TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA. THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES...

IN NORTHWEST FLORIDA...
HOLMES...WALTON...WASHINGTON...JACKSON...BAY...CALHOUN...GULF...GADSDEN...
LIBERTY...FRANKLIN...LEON...WAKULLA...JEFFERSON...MADISON...TAYLOR...LAFAYETTE AND DIXIE

IN SOUTHWEST GEORGIA...
QUITMAN...RANDOLPH...CLAY...EARLY...MILLER...SEMINOLE...TERRELL...LEE...
CALHOUN...DOUGHERTY...BAKER...DECATUR...WORTH...MICHIGAN...GRADY...
TURNER...TIFT...COLE...THOMAS...BROOKS...BEN...HILL...IRWIN...
BERRIEN...COOK...LANIER AND LOWDES

IN EXTREME SOUTHEAST ALABAMA...
COFFEE...GENEVA...DALE...HENRY AND HOUSTON

THE SERVICE TRANSFER IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OVERALL STRATEGIC PLAN OF THE NWS MODERNIZATION EFFORT AND WILL ENABLE THE TALLAHASSEE NWS OFFICE TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF ITS INCREASED TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES...THEREBY PROVIDING AN ENHANCED LEVEL OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE FOR NORTHWEST FLORIDA...SOUTHWEST GEORGIA...EXTREME SOUTHEAST ALABAMA AND THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC LAND MANAGEMENT AREA:

APALACHICOLA NATIONAL FOREST
SAINT MARKS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
CUSTOMERS OF NWS FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IN THESE LAND
MANAGEMENT AREAS SHOULD NOTE THAT...COINCIDENT WITH THE ASSUMPTION OF
SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY BY THE TALLAHASSEE NWS OFFICE...ALL PRODUCTS WILL
BE ISSUED UNDER NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS. THE IDENTIFIERS AND THEIR
ASSOCIATED WMO HEADERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

MIAFWFPTLH   FNUS52 KTAE ++    ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER
FORECAST
MIAFWLTLH   FNUS82 KTAE ++    LAND MANAGEMENT FORECAST
MIAFWMTLH   FNUS82 KTAE ++    MISCELLANEOUS FIRE
WEATHER PRODUCT
MIAFWNTLH   SHUS82 KTAE ++    FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION
MESSAGE
MIAFWOTLH   SHUS62 KTAE ++    FIRE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS
MIAFWSTLH   FNUS72 KTAE ++    FIRE WEATHER SUPPRESSION
FORECAST
MIARFDTLH   FNUS62 KTAE ++    RANGELAND FIRE DANGER
FORECAST
MIARFWTLH   WWUS82 KTAE ++    RED FLAG WARNING
MIASMFTLH   FNUS72 KTAE ++    SMOKE MANAGEMENT WEATHER
FORECAST
++ KTAE...NOT KTLH

THE ISSUANCE OF THESE PRODUCTS ARE BASED ON SERVICE REQUIREMENTS
ESTABLISHED IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH BOTH FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL LAND
MANAGEMENT AGENCIES.

PLEASE NOTE...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FAMILY OF SERVICES (FOS) AND THE
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK (EMWIN) MUST TAKE THE
APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ENSURE RECEIPT OF THESE NEW PRODUCTS.

TO REPEAT...THE NWS OFFICE IN TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA WILL ASSUME SERVICE
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS
FOR NORTHWEST FLORIDA...SOUTHWEST GEORGIA AND EXTREME SOUTHEAST ALABAMA
BEGINNING MONDAY NOVEMBER 15 1999 AT 1200 UTC...700 AM EST.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SERVICE TRANSFER SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

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NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE

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