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Subject: Change to Public Forecast Zone-County Correlation File for
Alaska Zone 125 (Western Prince William Sound): Effective March 3, 2020

On or about Tuesday, March 3, 2020, at 900 AM Alaska Standard Time
(AKST), 1800 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the Public Forecast Zone-
County Correlation File for AK Zone 125 (Western Prince William Sound)
will be modified to delete the association of AK Zone 125 with the
Anchorage Municipality (Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS)
code 02020).

If March 3, 2020 is declared a Critical Weather Day, this implementation
will be postponed to March 10, 2020.

This change will reduce the unintended EAS and WEA alerting for residents
in Anchorage due to Watch/Warning products issued for AK Zone 125
(Western Prince William Sound).

NWS partners and users will need to make necessary changes to their
communications systems to accommodate the change. Updated Geographic
Information System (GIS) shapefiles can be found at:

<https://www.weather.gov/gis/PublicZones>

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