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Service Change Notice 20-31 Updated
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Subject: Updated: Service Transfer of Maryland's Garrett and Cecil
Counties to the Baltimore-Washington, NWS Weather Forecast Office:
Effective November 10, 2020

Updated to change effective date to November 10, 2020, and add Watch
County Notification information in Table 2.

Effective Tuesday, November 10, 2020, at 700 AM Eastern Standard Time
(EST), 1200 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), NWS will transfer all
warning and forecast responsibility for Garrett and Cecil counties, MD,
to the NWS Weather Forecast Office (WFO) in Sterling, VA, (LWX), from WFO
Pittsburgh, PA (PBZ) and Mount Holly, NJ (PHI) respectively. This
transfer will enable more efficient service.

If November 10, 2020 is declared a Critical Weather Day, this
implementation will be postponed to November 17, 2020.

Partners and users must take appropriate action to receive the products
listed in the tables below using the new communication headers shown
below. This list of products is not exhaustive. Other products that
contain universal generic coding may also be affected.

Table 1: Counties to be Transferred to WFO LWX from WFO PBZ and WFO PHI

County Name	UGC County (C) Code	UGC Zone (Z) Code
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Garrett	MDC023	MDZ001
Cecil	MDC015	MDZ008

Table 2: Short-Fused Warning Products (UGC - C)

Product -----	WMO Heading -----		AWIPS ID -----
Tornado Warning	(New)	WFUS51 KLWX	TORLWX
	* (Old)	WFUS51 KPHI	TORPHI*
	* (Old)	WFUS51 KPBZ	TORPBZ*
Severe Thunderstorm Warning	(New)	WUUS51 KLWX	SVRLWX
	* (Old)	WUUS51 KPHI	SVRPHI*
	* (Old)	WUUS51 KPBZ	SVRPBZ*
Watch County Notification	(New)	WWUS61 KLWX	WCNLWX
	* (Old)	WWUS61 KPHI	WCNPHI*
	* (Old)	WWUS61 KPBZ	WCNPBZ*
Flash Flood Warning	(New)	WGUS51 KLWX	FFWLWX
	* (Old)	WGUS51 KPHI	FFWPHI*
	* (Old)	WGUS51 KPBZ	FFWPBZ*
Severe Weather Statement	(New)	WWUS51 KLWX	SVSLWX
	* (Old)	WWUS51 KPHI	SVSPHI*
	* (Old)	WWUS51 KPBZ	SVSPBZ*
Flash Flood Statement	(New)	WGUS71 KLWX	FFSLWX
	* (Old)	WGUS71 KPHI	FFSPHI*
	* (Old)	WGUS71 KPBZ	FFSPBZ*
Civil Emergency Message	(New)	WOUS41 KLWX	CEMLWX
	* (Old)	WOUS41 KPHI	CEMPHI*
	* (Old)	WOUS41 KPBZ	CEMPBZ*

Table 3: Long-fused Products and Products Related to Short-fused Products Listed in Table 2 (UGC - Z)

Product -----	WMO Heading -----		AWIPS ID -----
Zone Forecast Product	(New)	FPUS51 KLWX	ZFPLWX
	* (Old)	FPUS51 KPHI	ZFPPHI*
	* (Old)	FPUS51 KPBZ	ZFPPBZ*
Flash Flood Watch	(New)	WGUS61 KLWX	FFALWX
	* (Old)	WGUS61 KPHI	FFAPHI*
	* (Old)	WGUS61 KPBZ	FFAPBZ*
Non-Precipitation Watch/Warning Advisory	(New)	WWUS71 KLWX	NPWLWX
	* (Old)	WWUS71 KPHI	NPWPHI*
	* (Old)	WWUS71 KPBZ	NPWPBZ*
Coastal Flood Watch/Warning/Advisory	(New)	WHUS41 KLWX	CFWLWX
	* (Old)	WHUS41 KPHI	CFWPHI*
Special Weather Statement	(New)	WWUS81 KLWX	SPSLWX
	* (Old)	WWUS81 KPHI	SPSPHI*

	* (Old)	WWUS81	KPBZ	SPSPBZ*
Public Information Statement	(New)	NOUS41	KLWX	PNSLWX
	* (Old)	NOUS41	KPHI	PNSPHI*
	* (Old)	NOUS41	KPBZ	PNSPBZ*
Local Storm Report	(New)	NWUS51	KLWX	LSRLWX
	* (Old)	NWUS51	KPHI	LSRPHI*
	* (Old)	NWUS51	KPBZ	LSRPBZ*

Hydrologic Service Area (HSA) responsibilities for the river forecast location in Cecil County also will change. NWS will transfer the responsibility for issuing river statements/summaries and flood watches/warnings/statements from WFO PHI to WFO LWX for the following location:

On the Susquehanna River, for Conowingo Dam (CNWM2).

Table 4: River Products Issued for the Above-Mentioned Location

Product		WMO Heading		AWIPS ID
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Flood Statement	(New)	WGUS81	KLWX	FLSLWX
	* (Old)	WGUS81	KPHI	FLSPhi*
Flood Warning	(New)	WGUS41	KLWX	FLWLWX
	* (Old)	WGUS41	KPHI	FLWPhi*
Flood Watch	(New)	WGUS61	KLWX	FFALWX
	* (Old)	WGUS61	KPHI	FFAPhi*
Hydrologic Statement	(New)	FGUS81	KLWX	RVSLWX
	* (Old)	FGUS81	KPHI	RVSPhi*
Hydrologic Outlook	(New)	FGUS71	KLWX	ESFLWX
	* (Old)	FGUS71	KPHI	ESFPhi*
Hydrologic Observations	(New)	SXUS51	KLWX	HYDLWX
	* (Old)	SXUS51	KPHI	HYDPHi*
Daily River and Lake Summary	(New)	FGUS51	KLWX	RVDLWX
	* (Old)	FGUS51	KPHI	RVDPhi*
Max/Min Temperature and Precipitation Table	(New)	ASUS61	KLWX	RTPLWX
	* (New)	ASUS61	KPHI	RTPPHi*

Products marked with an asterisk (*) will continue to be issued by both WFO PHI and WFO PBZ, but will no longer contain warning and forecast information for Cecil County, MD and Garrett County, MD respectively.

Updated service area shapefiles will be available online at:

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

<https://www.weather.gov/gis/Counties>
<https://www.weather.gov/gis/CWABounds>
<https://www.weather.gov/gis/HSABounds>

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