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To: Subscribers:

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-Emergency Managers Weather Information Network

-Satellite Broadcast Network/NOAAPort
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-EAS Participants

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Subject: Two New NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards (NWR) Transmitters in the Texas Panhandle become operational: Effective on or about October 1, 2024

Effective on or about October 1, 2024, NWR service will begin from a new transmitter, Station WWQ50, located near Dalhart, Texas and operating on a frequency of 162.425 Megahertz. In addition, a second, new transmitter, station WWQ51, located in Stratford, Texas and operating on a frequency of 162.525 Megahertz, will begin service. Both transmitters are operated by the Amarillo, Texas Weather Forecast Office (WFO). The transmitters will begin 24-hour broadcasts of weather forecasts and weather warnings to better serve the residents of the northwest Texas Panhandle, the Oklahoma Panhandle and northeastern New Mexico. Some of these areas previously had limited to no NWR reception.

Emergency Alert System (EAS) participants currently monitoring other NWR transmitters for weather warnings should check to determine if the new transmitters provide better reception.

NWR listeners using receivers equipped with Specific Area Message Encoding (SAME) will want to program in the appropriate SAME location code to receive automated notifications for weather warnings.

Station WWQ50, Dalhart, Texas, 162.425 Megaherz:

County	SAME Location Code
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Union, New Mexico	035059
Cimarron, Oklahoma	040025
Dallam, Texas	048111
Hartley, Texas	048205

Station WWQ51, Stratford, Texas, 162.525 Megaherz:

County	SAME Location Code
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Cimarron, Oklahoma	040025
Texas, Oklahoma	048139
Dallam, Texas	048109
Hansford, Texas	048195
Hartley, Texas	048205
Moore, Texas	048341
Sherman, Texas	048421

The NWS partnered with the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission, Dallam County and Sherman County officials on this project. Their assistance in the site selection and installation process was invaluable.

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