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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT  
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC  
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TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS  
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/  
SUBSCRIBERS  
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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL DEPLOYMENT OF SUITE OF ADVANCED HYDROLOGIC PREDICTION  
SERVICE /AHPS/ WEBPAGES

AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY IS A SUITE OF WEBPAGES THAT PROVIDE DETAILED  
INFORMATION ON RIVER FORECASTS FROM HOURS TO DAYS IN ADVANCE OF FLOODS.  
THE INFORMATION AND VISUAL DISPLAYS FEATURE USER-FRIENDLY MENUS AND MAPS  
WHICH ALLOW USERS TO ZOOM IN TO AREAS OF INTEREST.

AHPS WEBPAGES SHOW HOW HIGH A FLOODING RIVER WILL RISE...WHEN IT IS LIKELY  
TO REACH ITS PEAK OR CREST...LOCATIONS LIKELY TO BE FLOODED...THE VOLUME  
OF WATER THAT WILL PASS AT DIFFERENT POINTS ALONG THE RIVER...AND THE  
LEVELS OF PAST FLOODS. THE AHPS WEBSITE IS AVAILABLE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/WATER](http://www.weather.gov/water)

IT CONTAINS A MAP OF VARIOUS POINTS ALONG THE NATION/S RIVERS FOR WHICH  
INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE. THIS NATIONAL OVERVIEW OF RIVER CONDITIONS IS  
ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE NWS HOMEPAGE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WEATHER.GOV](http://weather.gov)

BY SELECTING THE RIVERS TAB.

THE DATA ARE NOT LIMITED TO INFORMATION ABOUT FLOODS...BUT ALSO COVER  
POTENTIAL FOR LOW FLOW CONDITIONS THAT ACCOMPANY DROUGHTS.

CLICKING ON AN AREA OF INTEREST ON THE NATIONAL MAP BRINGS THE USER TO A  
MAP OF THE NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE SERVING THAT AREA. IT PROVIDES  
MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON RIVER CONDITIONS. THESE WEBPAGES ALLOW THE  
USER TO CLICK ON A SPECIFIC RIVER LOCATION TO REACH A PAGE WITH  
INFORMATION FOR THE SELECTED LOCATION...INCLUDING A HYDROGRAPH WHICH  
DISPLAYS OBSERVED RIVER LEVELS OVER THE PAST FEW DAYS AS WELL AS FORECAST  
LEVELS FOR THE NEXT 3-5 DAYS. HYDROGRAPHS ARE AVAILABLE AT OVER 2500  
LOCATIONS WHERE RIVER FORECASTS ARE PROVIDED. FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN  
CONDITIONS ALONG THE LENGTH OF A RIVER...A FEATURE KNOWN AS 'RIVER AT A  
GLANCE' PROVIDES DETAILED INFORMATION AT SOME OR ALL RIVER GAUGE LOCATIONS  
ALONG THE RIVER. INFORMATION CAN EASILY BE PRINTED.

EACH AHPS WEBPAGE CONTAINS A LINK NEAR THE BOTTOM OF THE LEFT BANNER FOR FEEDBACK. YOUR INPUT WILL ALLOW NWS TO CONTINUE TO ENHANCE OUR SERVICES.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE OR ABOUT AHPS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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