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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...COMMENT REQUEST
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
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TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
-FAMILY OF SERVICES
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE
-EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK
-NOAAPORT
OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: SOLICITING COMMENTS THROUGH MARCH 1 2010 REGARDING AN
EXPERIMENTAL NATIONAL FIRE WEATHER WEBPAGE

NWS WILL TEST A NEW INTERACTIVE NATIONAL FIRE WEATHER WEBPAGE FROM OCTOBER
2 2009 TO MARCH 1 2010 AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/FIRE/](http://www.weather.gov/fire/)

USERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK THROUGH MARCH 1 2010 VIA A
COMMENT LINK ON THE EXPERIMENTAL WEBPAGE ABOVE OR ONLINE AT /USE LOWER
CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/SURVEY/NWS-SURVEY.PHP?CODE=NATFIREWX](http://www.weather.gov/survey/nws-survey.php?code=natfirewx)

THE NEED FOR IMPROVED FIRE WEATHER INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET BY LAND
MANAGEMENT AND FIRE SUPPRESSION AGENCIES CONTINUES TO INCREASE.
CONCURRENTLY...THE ABILITY OF THE NWS TO PROVIDE DIGITAL AND GRAPHIC FIRE
WEATHER PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OVER THE INTERNET IS ALSO INCREASING.

MULTIPLE FEDERAL FIRE WEATHER USER AGENCIES HAVE EXPRESSED A NEED FOR AN
IMPROVED NATIONAL FIRE WEATHER WEBPAGE THAT INCLUDES MORE INTERACTIVE
GRAPHICS. THE EXPERIMENTAL NATIONAL FIRE WEATHER WEBPAGE USES DYNAMIC MAP
INTERFACES... SIMILAR TO THE POINT AND CLICK FORECAST OPTIONS NWS USES ON
OTHER WEBSITES.

FUNCTIONALITY OF THE PAGES MAY BE ADJUSTED THROUGH THE TEST PERIOD BASED
ON USER COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS.

A PRODUCT DESCRIPTION DOCUMENT IS ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://PRODUCTS.WEATHER.GOV/VIEWLISTE.PHP](http://products.weather.gov/viewliste.php)

IF YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...PLEASE CONTACT:

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