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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT.SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 00-20
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1250 PM EST FRI DEC 3 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS IN MAINE TO BE PRODUCED BY TWO WEATHER
FORECAST OFFICES IN THE NWS EASTERN REGION...EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1 2000

EFFECTIVE AT 9 A.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME /EST/...1400 COORDINATED
UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...TUESDAY FEBRUARY 1 2000...ALL FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM
RESPONSIBILITIES FOR 30 ZONES IN MAINE /TABLE 1/ WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO
THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES IN PORTLAND MAINE /GYX/ AND CARIBOU MAINE
/CAR/.

PLEASE REFER TO LOCAL NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE PUBLIC INFORMATION
STATEMENTS FOR THE OFFICIAL SPECIFIC START DATE OF PRODUCT ISSUANCES
DURING THE UPCOMING FIRE WEATHER SEASON.

BECAUSE OF THIS FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM TRANSFER...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE NOAA
WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ AND THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ MUST TAKE
APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RECEIVE THE PRODUCTS LISTED IN TABLE 2 FOR THESE 30
ZONES USING THE NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS FROM THE GYX AND CAR NWS OFFICES.

TABLE 1: ZONES ASSUMED IN MAINE BY TWO NWS OFFICES: PORTLAND/GYX AND
CARIBOU/CAR FOR ALL FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS. UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES
/UGCS/ FOR THESE ZONES /Z/ ARE SHOWN IN THE TABLE.

PARTIAL COUNTY ABBREVIATIONS /N = NORTH...ETC. /I = INTERIOR /C = COASTAL
/NE = NORTHEAST /CN = CENTRAL...ETC.

ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/ -----	UGC Z -----	OFFICE -----	ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/ -----	UGC Z -----	OFFICE -----
ANDROSCOGGIN	MEZ020-	GYX	PENOBSCOT/CN	MEZ011-	CAR
AROOSTOOK/NE	MEZ002-	CAR	PENOBSCOT/N	MEZ005-	CAR
AROOSTOOK/NW	MEZ001-	CAR	PENOBSCOT/S	MEZ015-	CAR
AROOSTOOK/SE	MEZ006-	CAR	PISCATAQUIS/S	MEZ010-	CAR
CUMBERLAND/C	MEZ024-	GYX	PISCATAQUIS/N	MEZ004-	CAR
CUMBERLAND/I	MEZ019-	GYX	SAGADAHOC	MEZ025-	GYX
FRANKLIN/N	MEZ008-	GYX	SOMERSET/CN	MEZ009-	GYX
FRANKLIN/S	MEZ013-	GYX	SOMERSET/N	MEZ003-	CAR
HANCOCK/C	MEZ029-	CAR	SOMERSET/S	MEZ014-	GYX
HANCOCK/I	MEZ016-	CAR	WALDO/C	MEZ028-	GYX
KENNEBEC	MEZ021-	GYX	WALDO/I	MEZ022-	GYX
KNOX	MEZ027-	GYX	WASHINGTON/C	MEZ030-	CAR

LINCOLN	MEZ026-	GYX	WASHINGTON/I	MEZ017-	CAR
OXFORD/N	MEZ007-	GYX	YORK/C	MEZ023-	GYX
OXFORD/S	MEZ012-	GYX	YORK/I	MEZ018-	GYX

TABLE 2: THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS WILL BE USED TO DISSEMINATE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCTS TO THESE 30 ZONES IN MAINE.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	NWWS ID	WMO ID FOR FOS
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NORTHERN MAINE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST	PWMFWFCAR	FNUS51 KCAR
FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING	PWMRFWCAR	WWUS81 KCAR
SOUTHERN MAINE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST	PWMFWFPWM	FNUS51 KGYX
FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND RED FLAG WARNING	PWMRFWPWM	WWUS81 KGYX
MISCELLANEOUS FIRE WEATHER PRODUCT	PWMFWMCAR	FNUS51 KCAR

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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