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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-12 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 220 PM EST TUE MAR 13 2001

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: ROBERT E. LIVEZEY...CHIEF CLIMATE SERVICES DIVISION

SUBJECT: SEASONAL DROUGHT OUTLOOK ISSUANCES ON THE INTERNET FOR THE REST OF 2001

THE CLIMATE PREDICTION CENTER /CPC/ ISSUES A SEASONAL DROUGHT OUTLOOK EACH MONTH NEAR THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH...AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF THE LONG-LEAD MONTHLY AND SEASONAL TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION OUTLOOKS. THIS DROUGHT OUTLOOK IS AVAILABLE ONLY ON THE CPC WEBSITE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.CPC.NCEP.NOAA.GOV /CLICK ON DROUGHT ASSESSMENT/

THE DROUGHT OUTLOOK IS NORMALLY RELEASED ON A FRIDAY IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MONTH AT 830 AM EASTERN TIME /ET/. BUT IN MARCH...APRIL AND MAY OF 2001...CPC PLANS TO RELEASE THE SEASONAL DROUGHT OUTLOOK THE SAME DAY AND TIME AS THE LONG-LEAD OUTLOOKS /I.E...THURSDAY AT 300 PM ET/ TO CONFORM WITH PRESS RELEASE SCHEDULES. THESE THURSDAY DATES ARE MARCH 15...APRIL 12 AND MAY 17.

THUS...THE RELEASE DATES AND TIMES OF THE SEASONAL DROUGHT OUTLOOK FOR THE REST OF 2001 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

RELEASE DATE TIME /ET/ DROUGHT OUTLOOK FOR... \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ THURSDAY MARCH 15 300 PM MID-MARCH THROUGH JUNE THURSDAY APRIL 12 300 PM MID-APRIL THROUGH JULY THURSDAY MAY 17 300 PM MID-MAY THROUGH AUGUST FRIDAY JUNE 15 830 AM MID-JUNE THROUGH SEPTEMBER FRIDAY JULY 13 830 AM MID-JULY THROUGH OCTOBER MID-AUGUST THROUGH NOVEMBER FRIDAY AUGUST 17 830 AM FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 14 830 AM MID-SEPTEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER FRIDAY OCTOBER 19 830 AM MID-OCTOBER THROUGH JANUARY FRIDAY NOVEMBER 16 830 AM MID-NOVEMBER THROUGH FEBRUARY FRIDAY DECEMBER 14 830 AM MID-DECEMBER THROUGH MARCH

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