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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-34 CORRECTED NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1045 AM EDT FRI AUG 3 2001

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: JAMES E. LEE CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CORRECTED: TRANSFER OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY TO NWS JACKSON MISSISSIPPI...EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 27 2001

...CORRECTED WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADERS FOR RED FLAG WARNINGS/FIRE WEATHER WATCH AND FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGE...

EFFECTIVE THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 27 2001 AT 1000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC...500 AM CDT/...SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS...INCLUDING FIRE WEATHER WATCHES AND RED FLAG WARNINGS...FOR LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES IN EXTREME SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS AND NORTHEAST LOUISIANA WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ IN LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS...SLIDELL LOUISIANA AND SHREVEPORT LOUISIANA TO THE NWS OFFICE AT JACKSON MISSISSIPPI. ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE...WFO JACKSON WILL ISSUE FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS FOR THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:

IN EXTREME SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS: ASHLEY CHICOT

AND FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHES IN NORTHEAST LOUISIANA: CATAHOULA CONCORDIA EAST CARROLL FRANKLIN MOREHOUSE RICHLAND TENSAS WEST CARROLL

THE SERVICE TRANSFER IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OVERALL STRATEGIC PLAN OF THE NWS MODERNIZATION EFFORT AND WILL ENABLE THE JACKSON NWS OFFICE TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF ITS INCREASED TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES...THEREBY PROVIDING AN ENHANCED LEVEL OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE FOR EXTREME SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS AND NORTHEAST LOUISIANA AND THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC LAND MANAGEMENT AREAS: FELSENTHALL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE IN EXTREME SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS
OVERFLOW NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE IN EXTREME SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS

CUSTOMERS OF NWS FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IN THESE LAND MANAGEMENT AREAS SHOULD NOTE THAT...COINCIDENT WITH THE ASSUMPTION OF SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY BY THE JACKSON NWS OFFICE...ALL PRODUCTS WILL BE ISSUED UNDER NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS. THE IDENTIFIERS AND THEIR ASSOCIATED WMO HEADERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

WMO HEADER	AWIPS ID	PIL ID	DESCRIPTION
FNUS54 KJAN FNUS84 KJAN WWUS84 KJAN	FWFJAN FWMJAN RFWJAN	JANFWFJAN JANFWMJAN JANRFWJAN	ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST NFDRS SITE FORECAST RED FLAG WARNING AND/OR FIRE WEATHER
			WATCH *CORRECTED*

THE FOLLOWING IDENTIFIERS AND THEIR ASSOCIATED WMO HEADERS ARE AVAILABLE FOR USE BUT NO PRODUCTS ARE CURRENTLY IN USE AT THIS TIME:

WMO HEADER	AWIPS ID	PIL ID	DESCRIPTION
FNUS74 KJAN	SMFJAN	JANSMFJAN	SMOKE MANAGEMENT WEATHER FORECAST
FNUS64 KJAN	RFDJAN	JANRFDJAN	RANGELAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT
FNUS84 KJAN	FWLJAN	JANFWLJAN	LAND MANAGEMENT FORECAST
SHUS84 KJAN	FWNJAN	JANFWNJAN	FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGE
			*CORRECTED*

THE ISSUANCE OF THESE PRODUCTS IS BASED ON SERVICE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH BOTH FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES. HOWEVER...CURRENT LEGISLATIVE POLICY PROHIBITS THE NWS FROM PROVIDING NON-ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS TO NON-FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES...EXCEPT IN DIRECT SUPPORT OF WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION.

PLEASE NOTE...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/...NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/...AND THE EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ MUST TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ENSURE RECEIPT OF THESE NEW PRODUCTS USING THE NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS.

TO REPEAT...THE NWS OFFICE IN JACKSON MISSISSIPPI WILL ASSUME SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS FOR EXTREME SOUTHEAST ARKANSAS AND NORTHEAST LOUISIANA BEGINNING THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 27 2001 AT 1000 UTC...500 AM CDT.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SERVICE TRANSFER SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

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