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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-36 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/

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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 SHREVEPORT LOUISIANA...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 SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS...WILL BE TRANSFERRED FROM THE NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS TO THE NWS OFFICE IN SHREVEPORT LOUISIANA. ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE...WFO SHREVEPORT WILL ISSUE FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS FOR THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:

IN SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS:

COLUMBIA

HEMPSTEAD

HOWARD

LAFAYETTE

LITTLE RIVER

MILLER

NEVADA

SEVIER

UNION

THE SERVICE TRANSFER IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OVERALL STRATEGIC PLAN OF THE NWS MODERNIZATION EFFORT AND WILL ENABLE THE SHREVEPORT NWS OFFICE TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF ITS INCREASED TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES...THEREBY PROVIDING AN ENHANCED LEVEL OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE FOR SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS AND THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC LAND MANAGEMENT AREA:

- WEST SECTIONS OF THE FELSENTHAL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

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 SHREVEPORT 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 KSHV	FWFSHV	NEWFWFSHV	ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
FNUS84 KSHV	FWMSHV	NEWFWMSHV	NFDRS SITE FORECAST
WWUS84 KSHV	RFWSHV	NEWRFWSHV	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 KSHV	SMFSHV	NEWSMFSHV	SMOKE MANAGEMENT WEATHER FORECAST
FNUS64 KSHV	RFDSHV	NEWRFDSHV	RANGELAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT
FNUS84 KSHV	FWLSHV	NEWFWLSHV	LAND MANAGEMENT FORECAST
SHUS84 KSHV	FWNSHV	NEWFWNSHV	FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGE
			CORRECTED

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 SHREVEPORT LOUISIANA WILL ASSUME SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS FOR SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS BEGINNING THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 27 2001 AT 1000 UTC...500 AM CDT.

OUESTIONS REGARDING THE SERVICE TRANSFER SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

LEE HARRISON PAUL WITSAMAN

METEOROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE REGIONAL PROGRAM MANAGER

NWS FORECAST OFFICE NWS SOUTHERN REGION HEADQUARTERS

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NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATIONS/ARCHIVE

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