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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-46 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 300 PM EDT MON AUG 27 2001

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

SUBJECT: NEW FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCT TO BE ISSUED BY WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE HONOLULU...EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 4 2001

ON TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 4 2001 AT 5 A.M. HAWAII STANDARD TIME /HST/...1500 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN HONOLULU HAWAII WILL BEGIN TO ISSUE A NEW HAWAII FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCT.

THE HAWAII FIRE WEATHER FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED ONCE DAILY AT 5 A.M. HST. ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS ARE PROVIDED BASED ON THE SEASONAL NEEDS OF FIRE MANAGEMENT AGENCIES IN HAWAII.

THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ COMMUNICATION HEADING IS FNHW50 PHFO. THE ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ ID IS FWFHFO. THE PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION LIST /PIL/ ID IS HFOFWFHFO.

THE ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. HEADLINES FOR FIRE WEATHER WATCH...RED FLAG WARNING OR OTHER SIGNIFICANT WEATHER CONDITIONS IMPACTING FIRE MANAGEMENT AGENCIES IN HAWAII.

2. A DISCUSSION OF METEOROLOGICAL FEATURES AFFECTING THE WEATHER FOR THE NEXT 10 DAYS.

3. FIRE WEATHER ZONES...DEFINED BY THE CURRENT PUBLIC WEATHER ZONES. FIRE WEATHER ZONES CAN BE COMBINED IF SIMILAR CONDITIONS ARE EXPECTED IN MORE THAN ONE.

4. SPECIFIC FORECASTS FOR TODAY...TONIGHT...AND THE NEXT DAY...INCLUDING SKY/WEATHER...TEMPERATURE...HUMIDITY...WIND AT 20 FEET AND MIXING HEIGHTS AND TRANSPORT WINDS FOR SMOKE DISPERSAL.

5. EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE NEXT 3 TO 5 DAYS.

6. EXTENDED OUTLOOK FOR THE NEXT 6 TO 10 DAYS. TEN-DAY WIND OUTLOOKS CURRENTLY GIVEN IN THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS SYNOPTIC DISCUSSION AND GUIDANCE

/WMO HEADING FXHW60 PHFO...AWIPS ID AFDHI/ WILL BE PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION OF THE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST. THE FORMAT FOR THE HAWAII FIRE WEATHER FORECAST FOLLOWS: EXAMPLE: FNHW50 PHFO DDHHMM FWFHFO HAWAII FIRE WEATHER FORECAST NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HONOLULU HI 5 AM HST TUE SEP 4 2001 .../WATCH OR WARNING HEADLINE OR OTHER SIGNIFICANT HEADLINE/... ...DISCUSSION... HIZ001>003-005-006-DDHHMM-KAUAI-OAHU-MAUI-MOLOKAI-LANAI-5 AM HST TUE SEP 4 2001 TODAY... SKY/WEATHER... MAX TEMPERATURE... MIN HUMIDITY... WIND - 20 FT... SMOKE DISPERSAL: MIXING HEIGHT... TRANSPORT WIND: TONIGHT... /SAME FORECAST ELEMENTS AS ABOVE/ WEDNESDAY... /SAME FORECAST ELEMENTS AS ABOVE/ \$\$ HIZ004-007-008-DDHHMM-NORTH AND EAST HAWAII INCLUDING WINDWARD KOHALA HAMAKUA HILO AND PUNA-WEST HAWAII INCLUDING LEEWARD KOHALA AND KONA-SOUTH HAWAII INCLUDING KAU-TODAY... ... TONIGHT... ... WEDNESDAY... . . . \$\$ EXTENDED FORECAST...THURSDAY THROUGH SATURDAY... . . . THE 6- TO 10-DAY EXTENDED OUTLOOK FOR SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 9 THROUGH THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 13... [END OF EXAMPLE]

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THE NEW FIRE WEATHER FORECAST SERVICE...PLEASE CONTACT ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE AT WFO HONOLULU:

TOM HEFFNER WARNING COORDINATION METEOROLOGIST 808-973-5275 ROBERT FARRELL FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM LEADER 808-973-5270

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