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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-52 AMENDED NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 200 PM EDT THU SEP 13 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: BILL PROENZA

DIRECTOR...NWS SOUTHERN REGION

SUBJECT: AMENDED: NEW RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK NARRATIVE PRODUCT AND ASSOCIATED WEB-BASED GRAPHICS...EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15 2001

AMENDED THE PRODUCT HEADER...WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/HEADER AND IMPLEMENTATION DATE OF THIS NEW PRODUCT.

NOTE...THIS SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE SUPERSEDES SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE #01-43 WHICH IS CANCELLED...

EFFECTIVE THURSDAY...NOVEMBER 15 2001...SOUTHERN REGION WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ AND RIVER FORECAST CENTERS /RFCS/ WILL BEGIN ISSUANCE OF A NEW RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK PRODUCT.

A RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK MEANS THAT THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR RIVER FLOODING...BUT IT IS NOT IMMINENT. THIS RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK PRODUCT AND ITS ASSOCIATED WEB-BASED GRAPHIC WILL CONTAIN INFORMATION ABOUT GEOGRAPHIC AREAS THAT MIGHT BE AFFECTED...AND THE MAGNITUDE OF RIVER FLOODING THAT MIGHT OCCUR WITHIN 48 HOURS...BASED ON FORECAST RAINFALL.

THE RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK WILL BE DISSEMINATED UNDER THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT IDENTIFIER AND ASSOCIATED WMO HEADER:

PRODUCT IDENTIFIER WMO HEADER
----CCCESFXXX FGUS## KCCC

IF YOU ALREADY RECEIVE THIS PRODUCT IDENTIFIER...THERE WILL BE NO CHANGES NEEDED TO YOUR COMMUNICATION SYSTEM. WHILE ISSUED UNDER THE CCCESFXXX IDENTIFIER...THE PRODUCT TITLE IN THE MASS NEWS DISSEMINATION HEADER WILL BE...HYDROLOGIC OUTLOOK...AND WILL BE HEADLINED...RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK. THE RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK PRODUCT WILL USE COUNTY /C/ UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES /UGCS/ TO DEFINE WHICH COUNTIES ARE IN THE OUTLOOK AREA.

THE RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK PRODUCT AND ITS ASSOCIATED GRAPHIC WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE INTERNET AT THE FOLLOWING WEB ADDRESSES /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/LMRFC/RFO/LMRFCRFO.HTML

WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/WGRFC/RFO/WGRFCRFO.HTML WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/SERFC/RFO/SERFCRFO.HTML WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/ABRFC/RFO/ABRFCRFO.HTML

THE FOLLOWING IS A SAMPLE OF THE RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK NARRATIVE PRODUCT:

EXAMPLE:

FGUS64 KSHV DDHHMM ESFSHV OKC089-ARC133-057-010400-

HYDROLOGIC OUTLOOK [EXAMPLE]
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SHREVEPORT LA
1025 AM CST FRI MAR 30 2001

...RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK FOR PORTIONS OF SOUTHEAST OKLAHOMA AND SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS...

HEAVY RAINFALL THAT IS FORECAST OVER SOUTHEAST OKLAHOMA AND SOUTHWEST ARKANSAS DURING THE NEXT 24 HOURS WILL QUICKLY RUN OFF ALREADY SATURATED SOILS. WIDESPREAD BASIN-AVERAGED RAINFALL AMOUNTS IN EXCESS OF ONE INCH WITH LOCALIZED AMOUNTS OF 2 TO 3 INCHES MAY CAUSE RIVERS AND STREAMS TO RISE TO LEVELS THAT RESULT IN FLOODING.

THIS RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK IS IN EFFECT DUE TO THE POTENTIAL FOR...

MODERATE FLOODING ON THE GLOVER RIVER NEAR GLOVER
MINOR FLOODING ALONG THE LITTLE RIVER FROM NEAR IDABEL TO NEAR HORATIO
MINOR FLOODING ON THE RED RIVER NEAR FULTON

A RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK MEANS THERE IS A POTENTIAL FOR RIVER FLOODING ...BUT IT IS NOT IMMINENT. FORECAST RAINFALL MAY CAUSE RIVERS AND STREAMS TO RISE TO CRITICAL STAGES. PERSONS WITH INTERESTS ALONG THE AREAS MENTIONED ABOVE SHOULD REMAIN INFORMED OF THE LATEST WEATHER AND RIVER INFORMATION AND BE PREPARED TO TAKE ACTION AS NECESSARY. PLEASE REFER TO NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE RIVER FLOOD WARNINGS AND STATEMENTS FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION IN YOUR AREA.

A GRAPHIC SHOWING THE COUNTIES...RIVER FORECAST POINT LOCATIONS...AND RIVER REACHES IN THE OUTLOOK AREA IS AVAILABLE AT THE FOLLOWING WEB SITE /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://www.srh.noaa.gov/abrfc/rfo/shvrfo.html [NOTE: THIS SITE IS NOT YET
ONLINE]

END OF PRODUCT END OF EXAMPLE

TO REPEAT...THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES AND RIVER FORECAST CENTERS IN THE SOUTHERN REGION WILL BEGIN ISSUANCE OF A NEW RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK PRODUCT BEGINNING THURSDAY...NOVEMBER 15 2001.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NEW RIVER FLOOD OUTLOOK PRODUCT AND ITS ASSOCIATED WEB-BASED GRAPHIC SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

JOHN FELDT HYDROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE SOUTHEAST RIVER FORECAST CENTER PEACHTREE CITY GEORGIA TELEPHONE: 770-486-0028

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ARKANSAS-RED BASIN RIVER FORECAST CENTER
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JERRY NUNN
HYDROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE
WEST GULF RIVER FORECAST CENTER
FORT WORTH TEXAS
TELEPHONE: 817-831-3289

DAVE REED
HYDROLOGIST-IN-CHARGE
LOWER MISSISSIPPI RIVER FORECAST CENTER
SLIDELL LOUISIANA
TELEPHONE: 504-643-0541

BEN WEIGER CHIEF...HYDROLOGIC SERVICES BRANCH NWS SOUTHERN REGION HEADQUARTERS FORT WORTH TEXAS TELEPHONE: 817-978-1100 X 118

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

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

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