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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 01-59 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 955 AM EST THU NOV 1 2001

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SUBJECT: CLIMATE STATION NORMALS FOR DAILY AND MONTHLY CLIMATE REPORTS TO BE UPDATED FROM 1961-1990 NORMALS TO 1971-2000 NORMALS...EFFECTIVE WITH JANUARY 1 2002 DAILY REPORTS AND JANUARY 2002 MONTHLY REPORTS

NWS WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ WILL BEGIN USING THE NEW 1971-2000 CLIMATE STATION NORMALS FROM THE NATIONAL CLIMATIC DATA CENTER /NCDC/ FOR DAILY /CLI/ AND MONTHLY /CLM/ CLIMATE REPORTS...BEGINNING WITH THE JANUARY 1 2002 CLI AND JANUARY 2002 CLM. THESE EFFECTIVE DATES FOR THE SWITCH IN NCDC NORMALS FROM 1961-1990 TO 1971-2000 ARE FOR ALL WEATHER ELEMENTS EXCEPT AS NOTED BELOW:

1961-1990 HEATING DEGREE DAY /HDD/ NORMALS AND 1961-1990 SNOWFALL NORMALS WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED THROUGH JUNE 30 2002. THIS WILL AVOID DISCONTINUITIES IN DEPARTURES FROM NORMAL FOR THESE TWO ELEMENTS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE SNOWFALL AND HDD SEASONS. THUS...THE SWITCH TO 1971-2000 NCDC NORMALS FOR SNOWFALL AND HDD WILL BE EFFECTIVE BEGINNING WITH THE JULY 1 2002 CLI AND JULY 2002 CLM.

THE FIRST CLIS WITH THE NEW 1971-2000 NCDC NORMALS WILL BE ISSUED BY WFOS IN THE LATE AFTERNOON OR EARLY EVENING OF JANUARY 1 2002. THE FIRST CLMS WITH THE NEW NORMALS FOR JANUARY 2002 WILL BE ISSUED BY WFOS ON FEBRUARY 1 2002.

SPECIFICALLY...THIS AFFECTS INFORMATION IN THE FOLLOWING PRODUCT WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADINGS AND ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDS ISSUED BY ALL WFOS:

GENERIC WMO HEADING	GENERIC AWIPS ID	PRODUCT TITLE
CDAA4I CCCC	CLIXXX	CLIMATOLOGICAL REPORT /DAILY/
CXAA5I CCCC	CLMXXX	CLIMATOLOGICAL REPORT /MONTHLY/

KEY TO GENERIC WMO HEADING FOR AA...I AND CCCC AND GENERIC AWIPS ID FOR

AA = US /CONUS/...AK /ALASKA/...HW /HAWAII/...CA /PUERTO RICO/...KA /MICRONESIA/PALAU/...GM /GUAM/...MH /MARSHALL ISLANDS/

I = AREA OF COUNTRY OF ISSUING WFO: STATES OR TERRITORIES

- PACIFIC: HI GU FM MH PW

- NORTHEAST U.S.: NH RI CT NJ MD DC DE VA NY MA VT OH PA ME WV
- SOUTHEAST U.S. AND PUERTO RICO: SC GA NC FL PR VI
- NORTH CENTRAL U.S.: SD MI WI ND KS MN IA MO NE IL IN KY
- SOUTH CENTRAL U.S.: TX AL MS LA AR TN OK
- ROCKY MOUNTAINS: NM MT ID CO WY AZ NV UT
- WEST COAST U.S.: CA OR WA
- SOUTHEAST ALASKA AREA: JUNEAU
- NORTH CENTRAL PACIFIC AREA OF ALASKA: ANCHORAGE
- NORTHERN ALASKA: FAIRBANKS

CCCC = SITE ID FOR ISSUING WFO
XXX = SITE ID OF WEATHER OBSERVATION STATION

INFORMATION ON NCDC NORMALS CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

## HTTP://LWF.NCDC.NOAA.GOV/OA/CLIMATE/NORMALS/USNORMALS.HTML

NOTE THAT THE 1971-2000 NORMALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FROM NCDC IN DIGITAL AND PDF FORM BY MID NOVEMBER 2001.

QUESTIONS ON STATISTICAL METHODS FOR CALCULATING NCDC NORMALS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO NCDC AT THE FOLLOWING:

CLIMATE SERVICES BRANCH

NATIONAL CLIMATIC DATA CENTER

ASHEVILLE NORTH CAROLINA TELEPHONE: 828-271-4800 FACSIMILE: 828-271-4876 E-MAIL: NCDC.INFO@NOAA.GOV

TO ORDER NCDC CLIMATE NORMALS FOR STATIONS OF INTEREST...GO TO /USE LOWER CASE/:

## HTTP://LWF.NCDC.NOAA.GOV/OA/ABOUT/NCDCORDERING.HTML

IF YOU HAVE SERVICE RELATED QUESTIONS REGARDING THE CLI OR CLM AS ISSUED ON NWS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS...YOU MAY CONTACT:

RON BERGER

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

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