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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-37
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
300 PM EDT WED JUN 5 2002

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ 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: IMPLEMENTATION OF PUBLIC FORECAST SERVICE CHANGES FOR DEEP SOUTH
TEXAS...EFFECTIVE AUGUST 6 2002

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY AUGUST 6 2002 AT 400 A.M. CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME
/CDT/...1000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER
SERVICE FORECAST OFFICE AT BROWNSVILLE TX /BRO/ WILL MAKE CHANGES TO THEIR
PUBLIC FORECAST PROGRAM. THE 7-DAY LOCAL FORECAST PRODUCT /LFP/ FOR DEEP
SOUTH TEXAS WILL BE REPLACED BY THE 7-DAY ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT /ZFP/.
ALSO...A 7-DAY GRAPHICAL FORECAST WILL CONTINUE TO BE AVAILABLE ON THE
INTERNET.

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE NOW PRODUCES A 7-DAY FORECAST FOR EVERY
COUNTY IN SOUTH TEXAS. CONTINUED ADVANCEMENTS IN TECHNOLOGY HAVE LED TO
MORE DETAILED FORECASTS. AS A RESULT...THE ZFP PROVIDES AN IMPROVEMENT
OVER THE CURRENT LOCAL FORECAST PRODUCT FOR DEEP SOUTH TEXAS AREA.
SEPARATE FORECASTS ARE ISSUED FOR INDIVIDUAL COUNTIES...OR WHEN CONDITIONS
WARRANT...FORECASTS FOR SEVERAL COUNTIES CAN BE GROUPED TOGETHER BASED ON
SIMILAR WEATHER CONDITIONS.

GRAPHICAL 7-DAY FORECASTS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WFO BROWNSVILLE WEBSITE AT
/USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.SRH.NOAA.GOV/BRO

THIS PROVIDES EVEN MORE CHOICES FOR OUR CUSTOMERS DEPENDING ON YOUR NEEDS.

CUSTOMERS WHO WISH TO RECEIVE THE ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT...WHICH USES THE
UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ ZONE /Z/ CODE...SHOULD ADD THE
COMMUNICATION IDENTIFIERS IN TABLE 1 TO THE APPROPRIATE DATABASES.

TABLE 1. LIST OF PRODUCTS INVOLVED IN THIS SERVICE CHANGE.

CURRENT PRODUCT		REPLACEMENT PRODUCT	
WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
FLUS84 KBRO	LFPBRO	FPUS54 KBRO	ZFPBRO

REFERENCE THE FOLLOWING TABLE FOR ZONE CODES FOR COUNTIES IN THE WFO
BROWNSVILLE AREA.

TABLE 2. ZONE CODES INVOLVED IN THIS SERVICE CHANGE.

COUNTY	UGC ZONE /Z/ CODE
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ZAPATA	TXZ248
JIM HOGG	TXZ249
BROOKS	TXZ250
KENEDY	TXZ251
STARR	TXZ252
HIDALGO	TXZ253
WILLACY	TXZ254...TXZ256
CAMERON	TXZ255...TXZ257

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...YOU MAY CONTACT:

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