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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 02-55
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
240 PM EST WED NOV 6 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: THERESE PIERCE
CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGES TO ALASKA REGION COASTAL WATERS FORECAST
PRODUCTS...EFFECTIVE JANUARY 7 2003

ON JANUARY 7 2003...NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE /NWS/ FORECAST OFFICES IN
ALASKA WILL MODIFY THE COASTAL WATERS FORECAST /CWF/ PRODUCT TO PROVIDE
GREATER DETAIL IN THE EXTENDED /3-5 DAY/ PORTION OF THE CWF. THIS IS A
CUSTOMER-DRIVEN CHANGE THAT REPRESENTS THE FIRST STEP IN A SERIES OF
IMPROVEMENTS THAT WILL BE MADE TO THE ALASKA MARINE FORECAST PRODUCT SUITE
OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS.

NOTE: THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/
HEADINGS OR ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/
IDENTIFIERS WITH THIS CHANGE AND NO ACTION IS REQUIRED FOR CONTINUED
RECEIPT OF PRODUCTS FROM NWS FORECAST OFFICES IN ALASKA.

IN THE EXTENDED /3-5 DAY/ PORTION OF THE CWF...THE WIND DIRECTION FORECAST
WILL BE ADDED TO THE WIND SPEED FORECAST IN EACH FORECAST PERIOD OF THE
EXTENDED /3-5 DAY/ PORTION. THE FOLLOWING CWF PRODUCTS WILL BE AFFECTED
BY THIS CHANGE:

NWS OFFICE	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
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ANCHORAGE	FZAK62 PANC	CWF062
ANCHORAGE	FZAK63 PANC	CWF063
ANCHORAGE	FZAK64 PANC	CWF064
ANCHORAGE	FZAK65 PANC	CWF065
FAIRBANKS	FZAK66 PAFA	CWF066
JUNEAU	FZAK61 PAJN	CWF061
YAKUTAT	FZAK47 PAYA	CWFYAK
KODIAK	FZAK48 PADQ	CWFADQ
VALDEZ	FZAK48 PAVD	CWFVDZ

IN ADDITION...THE EXTENDED /3-5 DAY/ PORTIONS WILL ALSO BE SUBDIVIDED AND/OR RESTRUCTURED TO PROVIDE EXTENDED /3 5 DAY/ FORECASTS FOR SMALLER MARINE AREAS IN THE FOLLOWING MARINE COASTAL AREAS:

UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ ZONE /Z/ FORM	OLD TITLE	NEW TITLE
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PKZ190	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR EASTERN GULF COAST AND SOUTHEAST ALASKA	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR SOUTHEAST ALASKA INSIDE WATERS DIXON ENTRANCE TO SKAGWAY
PKZ095	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR NORTON SOUND	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR NORTON SOUND AND WESTERN ALASKA COASTAL WATERS FROM DALL POINT TO WALES
PKZ195	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR KOTZEBUE SOUND	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR KOTZEBUE SOUND AND WESTERN ALASKA COASTAL WATERS FROM WALES TO CAPE LISBURNE
PKZ194	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR WESTERN AND ARCTIC ALASKA COASTAL WATERS	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR ARCTIC ALASKA COASTAL WATERS FROM CAPE LISBURNE TO DEMARCATION POINT
PKZ191	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE ALEUTIAN ISLANDS	EXTENDED FORECAST FOR EASTERN WATERS ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

FINALLY...EFFECTIVE JANUARY 7 2003...SOME MARINE AREAS WITHIN ALASKA CWF PRODUCTS WILL HAVE THEIR OWN EXTENDED /3-5 DAY/ FORECASTS. THE FOLLOWING MARINE COASTAL AREAS WILL BE AFFECTED BY THIS CHANGE:

UGC /Z/ FORM	MARINE AREA	MARINE AREA NAME
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PKZ120	1B	SOUTHEAST ALASKA OUTSIDE WATERS DIXON ENTRANCE TO CAPE FAIRWEATHER
PKZ210	2A	EASTERN GULF COAST CAPE FAIRWEATHER TO CAPE SUCKLING
PKZ140	14	SAINT MATTHEW ISLAND WATERS
PKZ130	13	WESTERN ALEUTIAN ISLANDS ADAK TO ATTU

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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...NOTE TO INTERNET USERS...

AN EXAMPLE OF EACH NEW CWF PRODUCT IS POSTED ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.ARH.NOAA.GOV](http://www.arh.noaa.gov)

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

[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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