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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 03-20 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 420 PM EST MON MAR 17 2003

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE

CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: MARINE ZONE RECONFIGURATION IN LAKE ONTARIO: EFFECTIVE TUESDAY JUNE 3 2003

ON TUESDAY JUNE 3 2003 AT 1300 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NWS WILL RECONFIGURE MARINE ZONES IN LAKE ONTARIO.

THE RECONFIGURATION WILL NOT CHANGE ANY EXISTING MARINE ZONE NUMBERS...NOR ADD ANY NEW MARINE ZONE NUMBERS. THERE ARE NO CHANGES TO WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADINGS OR ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ IDENTIFIERS WITH THIS REALIGNMENT AND NO ACTION IS REQUIRED FOR CONTINUED RECEIPT OF PRODUCTS FROM THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN BUFFALO NEW YORK /BUF/.

AN UPDATED MARINE ZONE SHAPEFILE CONTAINING THE NEW MARINE ZONE CONFIGURATION IS NOW AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/MARINEZONES.HTM

TABLE 1 /BELOW/ LISTS THE AFFECTED NWS PRODUCTS AND MARINE ZONES ISSUED FROM WFO BUF. ZONES NOT LISTED IN TABLE 1 WILL REMAIN THE SAME.

THE MARINE ZONE RECONFIGURATION IN LAKE ONTARIO WILL BE REFLECTED IN THE NEW NWS DIRECTIVE SYSTEM 10-3...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES...INSTRUCTION 10-302...MARINE AND COASTAL AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY WHICH SHOULD BE POSTED BY MAY 21 2003 AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/DIRECTIVES

TABLE 1. PRODUCTS AND MARINE ZONES AFFECTED...ALL ISSUED BY WFO BUF

PRODUCT	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
NEAR SHORE FORECAST	FZUS51 KBUF	NSHBUF
SPECIAL MARINE WARNING	WHUS51 KBUF	SMWBUF
MARINE WEATHER STATEMENT	FZUS71 KBUF	MWSBUF

- CHANGE ZONE NAME OF LOZ042 FROM: NIAGARA RIVER TO THIRTY-MILE POINT NY TO:

NIAGARA RIVER TO HAMLIN BEACH NY

- CHANGE ZONE NAME OF LOZ043 FROM: THIRTY-MILE POINT TO SODUS BAY NY TO:

HAMLIN BEACH TO SODUS BAY NY

- CHANGE ZONE NAME OF LOZ062 FROM:

NIAGARA RIVER TO THIRTY-MILE POINT NY BEYOND 5 NM OFFSHORE TO US-CANADIAN BORDER

TO:

NIAGARA RIVER TO HAMLIN BEACH NY BEYOND 5 NM OFFSHORE TO US-CANADIAN BORDER

- CHANGE ZONE NAME OF LOZ063 FROM:

THIRTY-MILE POINT TO SODUS BAY NY BEYOND 5 NM OFFSHORE TO US-CANADIAN BORDER

TO:

HAMLIN BEACH TO SODUS BAY NY BEYOND 5 NM OFFSHORE TO US-CANADIAN BORDER

THE OTHER MARINE ZONES IN THE WFO BUF AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY WILL REMAIN THE SAME.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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

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