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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 05-29
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1030 AM EDT FRI JUL 22 2005

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
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OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: RECONFIGURATION OF SOME PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES ISSUED BY WFO
PENDLETON OREGON: EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15 2005

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...NOVEMBER 15 AT 2200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...200 PM PACIFIC STANDARD TIME /PST/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE
/NWS/ WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ IN PENDLETON OREGON /PDT/ WILL
RECONFIGURE FOUR OF ITS PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES IN ITS AREA OF
RESPONSIBILITY IN OREGON AND ONE ZONE IN WASHINGTON TO CREATE EIGHT NEW
FORECAST ZONES. THE CURRENT ZONES ARE LISTED IN TABLE 1. THE EIGHT NEW
WASHINGTON AND OREGON ZONES ARE LISTED IN TABLE 2.

NWS CUSTOMERS WILL NEED TO MAKE CHANGES TO PROPERLY RECEIVE WFO PENDLETON
PUBLIC FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCTS FOR THE RECONFIGURED ZONES.

TABLE 1: CURRENT PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES THAT WILL BE RECONFIGURED AS
OUTLINED IN TABLE 2

ZONE NUMBER/ UGC CODE	ZONE NAME/DESCRIPTION
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WAZ025	EAST SLOPE OF THE SOUTHERN CASCADES
ORZ045	FOOTHILLS OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS OF OREGON
ORZ046	BLUE MOUNTAINS
ORZ047	JOHN DAY BASIN
ORZ048	OCHOCO-JOHN DAY HIGHLANDS

THE CURRENT WASHINGTON ZONE 25 /EAST SLOPES OF THE SOUTHERN CASCADES/ WILL
BE SPLIT AT 46.5 DEGREES NORTH LATITUDE FORMING TWO NEW EAST SLOPE ZONES
/WASHINGTON 501 AND 502/.

THE CURRENT OREGON ZONE 46 /BLUE MOUNTAINS/ WILL BE SPLIT ALONG MCKAY
CREEK WITH THE BORDER THEN RUNNING ROUGHLY PARALLEL BUT JUST SOUTH OF
INTERSTATE 84 TO THE CURRENT OREGON ZONE 49 BORDER. THIS WILL CREATE TWO
NEW BLUE MOUNTAINS OF OREGON ZONES /OREGON 502 AND 503/.

THE NORTHERN WHEELER/SOUTHERN GILLIAM COUNTIES ZONE /504/ WILL BE CREATED BY MERGING THE GILLIAM COUNTY PORTION OF THE CURRENT OREGON ZONE 45 /FOOTHILLS OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS OF OREGON/ WITH THE WHEELER COUNTY PORTION OF THE CURRENT OREGON ZONE 47 /JOHN DAY BASIN/ NORTH OF THE JOHN DAY RIVER. THE REMAINING ZONES 45 AND 47 WILL RETAIN THEIR NAMES BUT THE ZONE NUMBERS WILL CHANGE TO 501 AND 505...RESPECTIVELY.

THE CURRENT OREGON ZONE 48 /OCHOCO-JOHN DAY HIGHLANDS/ WILL BE EXTENDED NORTHWARD IN WHEELER COUNTY TO THE JOHN DAY RIVER. THE ZONE NAME WILL REMAIN THE SAME BUT THE NUMBER WILL CHANGE TO 506.

TABLE 2: NEW RECONFIGURED WFO PENDLETON ZONES: EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15 2005

ZONE NUMBER/ UGC CODE	ZONE NAME/DESCRIPTION
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WAZ501	EAST SLOPES OF THE CENTRAL CASCADES
WAZ502	EAST SLOPES OF THE SOUTHERN CASCADES
ORZ501	FOOTHILLS OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS OF OREGON
ORZ502	NORTHERN BLUE MOUNTAINS OF OREGON
ORZ503	SOUTHERN BLUE MOUNTAINS OF OREGON
ORZ504	NORTHERN WHEELER/SOUTHERN GILLIAM COUNTIES
ORZ505	JOHN DAY BASIN
ORZ506	OCHOCO-JOHN DAY HIGHLANDS

UPDATED ZONE MAP SHAPEFILES ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.NWS.NOAA.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/PUBZONE.HTM

THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHANGE IS SOONER THAN SPECIFIED BY NWS INSTRUCTION 10-1805. THE REDUCTION OF THE NORMAL ADVANCE LEAD TIME WAS APPROVED SO THE CHANGE COULD TAKE EFFECT BEFORE THE START OF WINTER WEATHER SEASON.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ABOUT THIS CHANGE...CONTACT:

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