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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 07-25 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 945 AM EDT TUE MAY 8 2007

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: ELI JACKS CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF FIRE WEATHER RESPONSIBILITY FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY WYOMING FROM THE WEATHER FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ AT RIVERTON WYOMING TO WFO BILLINGS MONTANA: EFFECTIVE JULY 17 2007

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY JULY 17 2007 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...WFO BILLINGS MONTANA /BYZ/ WILL ASSUME FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM RESPONSIBILITY FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY WYOMING /FIRE WEATHER ZONE NUMBER WYZ274/. ON THAT DATE AND TIME...RESPONSIBILITY FOR CURRENT SHERIDAN COUNTY FIRE WEATHER FORECAST PRODUCTS WILL TRANSFER TO WFO BILLINGS FROM WFO RIVERTON WYOMING /RIW/. OTHER SUPPORTING NWS FIRE PROGRAM PRODUCTS WILL BE ADDED TO THE SUITE. THERE WILL BE NO CHANGES TO THE FIRE WEATHER ZONE NAME...NUMBER OR GEOGRAPHIC DESCRIPTION.

PRIOR TO 1200 UTC TUESDAY JULY 17 2007...FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY WYOMING ARE AVAILABLE VIA THE FOLLOWING NWS PRODUCTS:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
SITE-SPECIFIC /SPOT/ FORECAST	FNUS75 KRIW	FWSRIW
FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS55 KRIW	FWFRIW
FIRE WEATHER WATCH/RED FLAG WARNING FORECAST	WWUS85 KRIW	RFWRIW

EFFECTIVE 1200 UTC ON TUESDAY JULY 17 2007...FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS FOR SHERIDAN COUNTY WILL BE AVAILABLE VIA THE FOLLOWING NWS PRODUCTS:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
SITE-SPECIFIC /SPOT/ FORECAST	FNUS75 KBYZ	FWSBYZ
FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS55 KBYZ	FWFBYZ
FIRE WEATHER WATCH/RED FLAG WARNING FORECAST	WWUS85 KBYZ	RFWBYZ
NATIONAL FIRE DANGER RATING SYSTEM /NFDRS/	FNUS85 KBYZ	FWMBYZ
FORECAST		
FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGE	SHUS85 KBYZ	FWNBYZ
FIRE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS	SHUS65 KBYZ	FWOMT

NOTE: WFO BYZ IS ALREADY USING THESE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ AND ADVANCED WEATHER INTERACTIVE PROCESSING SYSTEM /AWIPS/ HEADINGS. THIS SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE REFLECTS THE ADDITION OF THE SHERIDAN COUNTY FIRE WEATHER ZONE TO THOSE PRODUCTS.

ALTHOUGH THIS NOTIFICATION IS LESS THAN THE REQUIRED 75 DAYS AS SPECIFIED BY NWS INSTRUCTION /NWSI/ 10-1805...THIS CHANGE WAS REQUESTED BY...AND CLOSELY COORDINATED WITH...LOCAL FIRE WEATHER PARTNERS AND USERS TO BE READY TO GO WITH THIS CHANGE ON JULY 17 2007.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE CHANGES...CONTACT:

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