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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 07-39
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
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TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

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CHIEF...MARINE AND COASTAL WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: THE GREAT LAKES OPEN LAKE FORECAST /GLF/ CHANGES FROM A NON-SEGMENTED TO SEGMENTED FORMAT: EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2 2007

REFER TO: SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE /SCN/ 07-38.

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY OCTOBER 2 2007 AT 1300 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...OR 0900 EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME /EDT/...OR 0800 CENTRAL DAYLIGHT TIME /CDT/...ALL GREAT LAKES WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ ISSUING THE GREAT LAKES OPEN LAKE FORECAST /GLF/ WILL CHANGE FROM THE CURRENT NON-SEGMENTED FORMAT TO A SEGMENTED FORMAT. TABLE 1 PROVIDES A COMPLETE LIST OF AFFECTED GLF PRODUCTS.

TABLE 1. LIST OF GLF PRODUCTS AFFECTED BY THIS SERVICE CHANGE

WFO	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
BUFFALO NY	FZUS61 KBUF	GLFSL
BUFFALO NY	FZUS61 KBUF	GLFLO
CLEVELAND OH	FZUS61 KCLE	GLFLE
CHICAGO IL	FZUS63 KLOT	GLFLM
DETROIT MI	FZUS63 KDTX	GLFSC
DETROIT MI	FZUS63 KDTX	GLFLH
MARQUETTE MI	FZUS63 KMQT	GLFLS

THE NEW SEGMENTED FORMAT WILL ALLOW WFOS ISSUING THE GLF PRODUCTS TO BE MORE AREA-SPECIFIC IN THEIR OPEN LAKE FORECASTS. FOR EXAMPLE...THE CURRENT GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS USED IN THE GLF...SUCH AS /NORTH HALF/...WILL BE REPLACED BY SMALLER GREAT LAKES OPEN LAKE MARINE ZONES GROUPED IN SEGMENTS BY SIMILAR WEATHER CONDITIONS. THIS ARRANGEMENT IS SIMILAR TO THE FORMAT NOW USED BY THE GREAT LAKES NEARSHORE FORECASTS...ALSO A SEGMENTED PRODUCT.

EXAMPLES OF THE CURRENT GLF PRODUCT FORMAT AND THE NEW FORMAT EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2 2007 ARE POSTED ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/RESOURCES/GLF.PDF

USERS ARE URGED TO READ <u>SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 07-38...</u>CHANGES TO GREAT LAKES MARINE ZONES AND UGC CODES: EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 2 2007...AS IT MAY BE NECESSARY TO MAKE CHANGES IN THEIR COMMUNICATIONS DATABASES BY OCTOBER 2 2007. SEE TABLE 1 FOR THE COMPLETE LIST OF AFFECTED GLF PRODUCTS.

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

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