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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-06
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
820 AM EST FRI FEB 8 2008

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
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-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE
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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: ELI JACKS
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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF FIRE WEATHER FORECAST SERVICE PROGRAM AT THE
NWS DES MOINES IA FORECAST OFFICE: EFFECTIVE MARCH 11 2008

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...MARCH 11 2008 AT 0001 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...THE NWS FORECAST OFFICE /WFO/ AT DES MOINES IOWA WILL BEGIN
ISSUING A FULL SUITE OF FIRE WEATHER FORECASTS FOR ITS COUNTY WARNING AREA
OF RESPONSIBILITY. STARTING ON THAT DATE/TIME...THE FOLLOWING PRODUCTS
WILL BE ISSUED BY WFO DES MOINES:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADER	AWIPS ID
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FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST	FNUS53 KDMX	FWFDMX
SITE-SPECIFIC /SPOT/ FORECAST	FNUS73 KDMX	FWSDMX
FIRE WEATHER WATCH/RED FLAG WARNING	WWUS83 KDMX	RFWDMX
RANGELAND/GRASSLAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT	FNUS63 KDMX	RFDDMX
FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGE	SHUS83 KDMX	FWNDMX
SMOKE MANAGEMENT FORECAST	FNUS73 KDMX	SMFDMX
FIRE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS	SHUS63 KDMX	FWOIA

PERTINENT PERSONNEL/OFFICES/AGENCIES WILL NEED TO ADD THE ABOVE
IDENTIFIERS TO THEIR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS TO RECEIVE THESE NWS PRODUCTS.

THE FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST /FWFDMX/ WILL PROVIDE EACH COUNTY IN
THE WFO DES MOINES AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY WITH A FIRE WEATHER FORECAST. A
LIST OF THE COUNTIES INVOLVED AND THE ZONE NUMBER OF EACH COUNTY CAN BE
VIEWED AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/RESOURCES/FIREWX DMX FEBRUARY 2008.
PDF](http://www.weather.gov/os/notification/resources/firewx_dmx_february_2008.pdf)

THESE FIRE WEATHER COUNTIES/ZONES MATCH EXISTING PUBLIC FORECAST ZONES.
THE CURRENT FIRE WEATHER SHAPEFILE IS AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE
FOLLOWING WEBSITE /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/WSOM/HTML/FIREZONE.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/firezone.htm)

FOR QUESTIONS REGARDING THESE ADDITIONS...CONTACT:

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