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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 08-07
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
820 AM EST FRI FEB 8 2008

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OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: ELI JACKS
CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: CHANGE OF RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RANGELAND FIRE DANGER PRODUCT
/RFD/ FOR WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ AT OMAHA AND HASTINGS NEBRASKA
AND TOPEKA KANSAS: EFFECTIVE MARCH 11 2008

EFFECTIVE TUESDAY...MARCH 11 2008 AT 0001 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...THE NWS FORECAST OFFICE AT HASTINGS NEBRASKA WILL BEGIN ISSUING A
RANGELAND FIRE DANGER /RFD/ PRODUCT THAT WILL CONTAIN THE FIRE DANGER
INDEXES FOR COUNTIES IN ITS COUNTY WARNING AREA /CWA/. AT THE SAME
DATE/TIME...THE RANGELAND FIRE DANGER PRODUCTS ISSUED BY THE NWS FORECAST
OFFICES AT OMAHA AND TOPEKA WILL DROP THOSE COUNTIES FROM THEIR RFD
PRODUCTS.

PERTINENT PERSONNEL/OFFICES/AGENCIES WILL NEED TO ADD THE FOLLOWING
IDENTIFIER TO THEIR COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS TO RECEIVE THIS NWS PRODUCT:

PRODUCT NAME	WMO HEADING	AWIPS ID
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RANGELAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT	FNUS63 KGID	RFDGID

THIS RANGELAND FIRE DANGER STATEMENT /RFDGID/ WILL PROVIDE EACH COUNTY IN
THE WFO HASTINGS 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 GID FEBRUARY 2008.
PDF](http://www.weather.gov/os/notification/resources/firewx_gid_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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[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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