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SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 09-07 CORRECTED
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
1121 AM EST THU FEB 19 2009

TO: SUBSCRIBERS:
-FAMILY OF SERVICES
-NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE
-EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK
-NOAAPORT
OTHER NWS PARTNERS...USERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: CORRECTED: HYDROLOGIC SERVICE AREA /HSA/ BOUNDARY CHANGES FOR THE
KUSKOKWIM VALLEY IN ALASKA: EFFECTIVE MAY 7 2009

CORRECTED TO INDICATE ONLY ONE HYDROLOGIC SERVICE ZONE IS BEING SPLIT INTO
TWO PARTS.

ON THURSDAY MAY 7 2009 AT 0000 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...WEDNESDAY MAY 6 AT 400 PM ALASKA DAYLIGHT TIME /ADT/... THE
KUSKOKWIM VALLEY HYDROLOGIC SERVICE ZONE /AKZ151/ WILL BE SPLIT INTO TWO
PARTS. ONE PART OF THE ZONE WILL REMAIN WITHIN THE NWS WFO ANCHORAGE /WFO
ANC/ COUNTY WARNING AND FORECAST AREA /CWFA/. THE OTHER PART WILL MOVE TO
THE WFO FAIRBANKS /WFO FAI/ CWFA. THESE CHANGES WILL AFFECT ALL NWS
PRODUCTS ISSUED FOR THE HYDROLOGIC SERVICES PROGRAM IN THE KUSKOKWIM
VALLEY ZONE.

COINCIDENT WITH THE KUSKOKWIM VALLEY ZONE CHANGE...WFO ANC WILL BEGIN
ISSUING A TERMINAL AERODROME FORECAST /TAF/ FOR SAND POINT ALASKA.
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MCGRATH ALASKA TAF WILL TRANSFER FROM WFO ANC TO
WFO FAI. A TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE /TIN/ ADDRESSING THE TAF
CHANGES CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/MEDIA/NOTIFICATION/TINS/TIN09-08TAF ALASKA.PDF](https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/tins/tin09-08TAF_ALASKA.PDF)

NWS WILL ALSO CHANGE THE FIRE AND PUBLIC ZONE CHANGES FOR KUSKOKWIM VALLEY
ALASKA ZONE /AKZ151/. SEE THE SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE REFERENCED BELOW FOR
DETAILS /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/MEDIA/NOTIFICATION/PDFS/SCN09-06KUSKOKWIM_ZONES.PDF](https://www.weather.gov/media/notification/pdfs/scn09-06KUSKOKWIM_ZONES.PDF)

THIS ZONE CHANGE REQUIRES CERTAIN SUBSCRIBERS TO THE NOAA WEATHER WIRE
SERVICE /NWS/ AND THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/...PRIMARILY CABLE TV
OUTLETS...TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RECEIVE THE ZONES USING THE
UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE /UGC/ ZONE CODE FORMAT /Z/ LISTED BELOW.

OLD HYDROLOGIC SERVICES ZONE NAME -----	UGC /Z/ -----	CWFA -----
KUSKOKWIM VALLEY	AKZ151	WFO ANCHORAGE AK
NEW HYDROLOGIC SERVICES ZONE NAME -----	UGC /Z/ -----	CWFA -----
LOWER KUSKOKWIM VALLEY	AKZ152	WFO ANCHORAGE AK
UPPER KUSKOKWIM VALLEY	AKZ227	WFO FAIRBANKS AK

A MAP SHOWING THE NEW ZONE CONFIGURATION AS WELL AS A LIST OF AFFECTED PRODUCTS CAN BE FOUND AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.ARH.NOAA.GOV/NEWZONE.PHP](http://www.arh.noaa.gov/newzone.php)

SHAPEFILES OF THE NEW HYDROLOGIC SERVICE ZONES ARE AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTP://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/GEODATA/CATALOG/HYDRO/HTML/HSA.HTM](http://www.weather.gov/geodata/catalog/hydro/html/hsa.htm)

THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CHANGE FOR PUBLIC/HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL ZONE CHANGES IS SOONER THAN SPECIFIED BY NWS POLICY /NWS INSTRUCTION 10-1805/. THE REDUCTION OF THE NORMAL ADVANCE LEAD-TIME WAS APPROVED BECAUSE THIS CHANGE WAS NECESSITATED BY CRITICAL OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND HAS BEEN CLOSELY COORDINATED WITH LOCAL USERS.

IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS...PLEASE CONTACT:

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NATIONAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICES ARE ONLINE AT /USE LOWER CASE/:

[HTTPS://WWW.WEATHER.GOV/NOTIFICATION/ARCHIVE](https://www.weather.gov/notification/archive)

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