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From:         Mark Tew  
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Subject: Place Islands in their Correct Marine Zones Off Southern  
California Coast: Effective April 2, 2013

Effective Tuesday, April 2, 2013, at 1100 AM Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) or 1800 Coordinated Universal Time (UTC), the NWS Weather Forecast Office (WFO) in Los Angeles/Oxnard, CA, will correct the wording of three of its marine zones. Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands were incorrectly placed in marine zones PZZ650, PZZ655, and PZZ676. Only the names of these marine zones will be adjusted. The Universal Geographic Codes (UGCs) will not change and the marine zone boundaries will not change. All the other islands in WFO Los Angeles waters are not affected.

Table 1 lists the current marine zones that include Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands.

Table 2 lists the same marine zones with Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands placed in their correct zones.

Table 3 lists the products issued by WFO Los Angeles affected by placing the islands in their correct marine zones effective April 2, 2013:

Table 1. Current Marine Zones that Mention Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands, and their Corresponding UGCs, Used by WFO Los Angeles/Oxnard:

Current Marine Zone -----	Current UGC -----
East Santa Barbara Channel from Point Conception to Point Mugu, CA including Santa Cruz and Anacapa Islands	PZZ650
Inner waters from Point Mugu to San Mateo Point, CA including Santa Catalina and Santa Barbara Islands	PZZ655
Outer waters from Santa Cruz Island to San Clemente Island to 60 NM offshore including San Nicolas Island	PZZ676

Table 2. Same Marine Zones with Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands Placed in their Correct Zones. WFO Los Angeles/Oxnard will use these corrected marine zones and islands effective April 2, 2013. Note the UGCs for these zones will not change.

Same Marine Zones with Anacapa and Santa Barbara Islands Placed in their Correct Zones	UGC ---
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East Santa Barbara Channel from Point Conception to Point Mugu, CA including Santa Cruz Island	PZZ650
Inner waters from Point Mugu to San Mateo Point, CA including Santa Catalina and Anacapa Islands	PZZ655
Outer waters from Santa Cruz Island to San Clemente Island to 60 NM offshore including San Nicolas and Santa Barbara Islands	PZZ676

Table 3. WFO Los Angeles/Oxnard Products Affected by Placing the Islands in their Correct Marine Zones Effective April 2, 2013:

Product Name	WMO Heading	AWIPS ID
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Coastal Waters Forecast	FZUS56 KLOX	CWFLOX
Special Marine Warning	WHUS56 KLOX	SMWLOX
Marine Weather Statement	FZUS76 KLOX	MWSLOX
Marine Weather Message	WHUS76 KLOX	MWWLOX
Hurricane Local Statement	WTUS86 KLOX	HLSLOX
Weather Watch Clearance Notification	WWUS66 KLOX	WCNLOX

Users should be aware of these marine zone name changes within WFO Los Angeles/Oxnard marine area of responsibility and make any adjustments to their systems.

Images depicting the islands in their correct marine zones are posted at:

[http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/marine/marine\\_zone\\_correction\\_Apr2013.pdf](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/lox/marine/marine_zone_correction_Apr2013.pdf)

New shapefiles for WFO Los Angeles/Oxnard zones are available for download from the following website:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/geodata/catalog/wsom/html/marinezones.htm>

If you have any questions or comments about this change to the marine synopsis name at WFO Los Angeles/Oxnard, please contact:

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