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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-09 CORRECTED NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 800 AM EST FRI FEB 19 1999

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: THERESE PIERCE CHIEF...HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICES

SUBJECT: CORRECTED: TRANSFER OF PUBLIC AND MARINE FORECAST RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE BROWNSVILLE TX WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE...EFFECTIVE MARCH 15 1999

CORRECTED UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE NUMBERS IN TABLE 1...AS INDICATED.

EFFECTIVE MONDAY...MARCH 15 1999 AT 1200 NOON CENTRAL STANDARD TIME OR 1800 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE WILL TRANSFER FORECAST RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BROWNSVILLE TEXAS COUNTY AND MARINE WARNING AREA /TABLE 1/ TO THE BROWNSVILLE WEATHER SERVICE OFFICE /WFO BRO/ FROM THE WFO IN SAN ANTONIO TEXAS /EWX/.

FOR THE BROWNSVILLE COUNTY AND MARINE WARNING AREA...WFO BRO WILL ISSUE THE PRODUCTS IN TABLES 2 AND 3 AND THE CODED CITIES FORECAST. TRANSFERRING THESE SERVICES TO WFO BRO WILL COMPLETE ONE OF THE FINAL PHASES IN THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE/S MODERNIZATION AND RESTRUCTURING PROGRAM AND ENABLE A MORE EFFICIENT MANNER TO SERVE OUR CUSTOMERS.

IN ADDITION...SEVERAL OTHER CHANGES WILL OCCUR AT THE SAME TIME AS FOLLOWS:

- THE EXTENDED FORECAST WILL BE ISSUED FOR EACH ZONE GROUP AND CONTAINED IN THE ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT. THIS CHANGE IS A CUSTOMER SERVICE IMPROVEMENT PLACING MORE INFORMATION ON FEWER PRODUCTS.

- THE CODED CITY FORECAST FOR BROWNSVILLE WILL APPEAR IN WFO BRO/S PRODUCT /SATCCFBRO - FPUS44 KBRO/ INSTEAD OF WFO EWX/S PRODUCT /SATCCFSAT - FPUS44 KEWX/.

FOR HOLDERS OF WEATHER SERVICE OPERATIONS MANUAL /WSOM/ CHAPTER C-11...ZONE FORECAST BOUNDARIES...APPENDIX A...THIS UPDATES PAGES A-47...A-69 AND CHAPTER D-51...APPENDIX A...PAGE A-4.

BECAUSE OF THESE TRANSFERS...USERS OF PRODUCTS FOR THE ZONES IN TABLE 1 MUST TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RECEIVE ALL PRODUCTS THAT WILL BE ISSUED BY WFO BRO /TABLE 2/ AND /TABLE 3/. TABLE 1. ZONES TO BE TRANSFERRED. /UGC = UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODE/

ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC	ZONE NAME /BY COUNTY/	UGC
BROOKS	TXZ250-	CAMERON	TXZ255-
HIDALGO	TXZ253-	JIM HOGG	TXZ249-
KENEDY	TXZ251-	STARR	TXZ252-
WILLACY	TXZ254-	ZAPATA	TXZ248-

... THE UGC NUMBERS ABOVE HAVE BEEN CORRECTED...

NOTE: THE UGCS TXZ211-...TXZ196-...TXZ214-...TXZ227-...TXZ237-...TXZ195-...TXZ210- AND TXZ238- WERE INCORRECTLY LISTED IN THE ORIGINAL SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-09. BUT THESE UGCS WERE CORRECTED NAMED IN TABLE 1 OF SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-07 /FOR THE HOUSTON TEXAS OFFICE/.

MARINE ZONE NAME	UGC
BAFFIN BAY TO PORT MANSFIELD OUT 20 NM	GMZ155-
BAFFIN BAY TO PORT MANSFIELD 20 TO 50 NM	GMZ175-
PORT MANSFIELD TO THE RIO GRANDE OUT 20 NM	GMZ150-
PORT MANSFIELD TO THE RIO GRANDE 20 TO 50 NM	GMZ170-
LAGUNA MADRE BAY	GMZ130-
OUTLOOK FOR BAFFIN BAY TO RIO GRANDE OUT 50 NM	GMZ190-

TABLE 2. THE PUBLIC ZONE FORECAST BELOW WILL BE USED FOR THE COUNTY ZONES ABOVE AND THE COASTAL MARINE FORECAST BELOW WILL BE USED FOR THE MARINE ZONES ABOVE.

PRODUCT	NWWS ID	WMO HEADING
ZONE FORECAST PRODUCT	SATZFPBRO	FPUS54 KBRO
COASTAL MARINE FORECAST	SATCWFBRO	FZUS54 KBRO

TABLE 3. THE FOLLOWING ARE NON-ROUTINE PRODUCTS FOR THE ZONES IN TABLE 1.

PRODUCT	NWWS ID	WMO HEADING
FLASH FLOOD WATCH	SATFFABRO	WGUS64 KBRO
RIVER FLOOD WATCH	SATESFBRO	FGUS74 KBRO
WINTER WEATHER PRODUCTS	SATWSWWRO	WWUS44 KBRO
NON-PRECIPITATION PRODUCTS	SATNPWBRO	WWUS74 KBRO

OTHER PRODUCTS SUCH AS THE CONVECTIVE WATCH REDEFINE STATEMENT /SATSLSTX - WWUS32 KSAT/ AND STATE TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION SUMMARY /SATSTPTX - ABUS21 KSAT/ WILL REMAIN THE SAME UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

THE SOUTH TEXAS STATE FORECAST PRODUCT /SATSFPTX - FPUS64 KEWX/ WILL CONTINUE TO BE ISSUED BY WFO EWX.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS...YOU MAY CONTACT:

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