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TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS

NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

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SUBJECT: FORECAST AND LONG-FUSED WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR ZONES TRANSFERRED TO THE CARIBOU /CAR/ MAINE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FORECAST OFFICE /NWSFO/ FROM THE PORTLAND /GYX/ MAINE NWSFO...EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1 1999

EFFECTIVE AT 9 A.M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME /EST/...1400 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 1 1999...FORECAST AND LONG-FUSED WATCH...WARNING AND ADVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES FOR 13 ZONES IN NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE /TABLE 1/ WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NWSFO IN CARIBOU /CAR/MAINE FROM THE PORTLAND /GYX/ MAINE NWSFO.

BECAUSE OF THIS TRANSFER...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ AND THE FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ MUST TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RECEIVE THE PRODUCTS LISTED IN TABLES 2 AND 3 FOR THESE 13 ZONES USING THE NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS FROM NWSFO CAR.

TABLE 1. ZONES TRANSFERRED TO CARIBOU /CAR/ FOR FORECASTS AND LONG-FUSED WATCHES/WARNINGS/ADVISORIES. UNIVERSAL GEOGRAPHIC CODES /UGCS/ FOR THESE ZONES /Z/ ARE SHOWN.

FROM PORTLAND /GYX/:

UGC Z	ZONE NAME	UGC Z	ZONE NAME
CODE	/BY COUNTY/	CODE	/BY COUNTY/
MEZ001-	NORTHWEST AROOSTOOK	MEZ002-	NORTHEAST AROOSTOOK
MEZ006-	SOUTHEAST AROOSTOOK	MEZ016-	INTERIOR HANCOCK
MEZ029-	COASTAL HANCOCK	MEZ005-	NORTHERN PENOBSCOT
MEZ011-	CENTRAL PENOBSCOT	MEZ015-	SOUTHERN PENOBSCOT
MEZ004-	NORTHERN PISCATAQUIS	MEZ010-	SOUTHERN PISCATAQUIS
MEZ003-	NORTHERN SOMERSET	MEZ017-	INTERIOR WASHINGTON
MEZ030-	COASTAL WASHINGTON		

TABLE 2. THE FOLLOWING FORECAST AND LONG-FUSED WATCH/WARNING/ADVISORY INFORMATION WILL SWITCH TO SIX NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS FROM NWSFO CAR:

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	NWWS ID		FOR FOS
ZONE FORECASTS FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE	PWMZFPCAR PWMZFPME	FPUS51	KCAR
FLASH FLOOD WATCHES FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE			
NON-PRECIPITATION ADVSY/WATCH/WARNI FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE			
WINTER STORM ADVSY/WATCH/WARNING FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE			
HURRICANE LOCAL STATEMENTS FOR DOWNEAST MAINE	PWMHLSCAR PWMHLSPWM		
POST STORM HURRICANE STATEMENT DOWNEAST MAINE	PWMPSHCAR PWMPSHPWM		

**THE NWWS IDENTIFIER PWMZFPME WILL BE REPLACED BY PWMZFPGYX ON DECEMBER 1 1999. THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ IDENTIFIER FPUS51 KGYX WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST...COVERING A SMALLER GEOGRAPHIC AREA.
*THESE PRODUCTS WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST...BUT WILL NOW COVER SMALLER GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS.

TABLE 3. THE FOLLOWING HYDROLOGICAL FORECAST AND WARNING PRODUCTS WILL SWITCH TO SEVEN NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS FROM NWSFO CAR:

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION	NWWS ID	WMO ID FOR FOS
FLOOD POTENTIAL STATEMENT FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		FGUS71 KCAR FGUS71 KPWM
DROUGHT/WATER RESOURCE STATEMENT NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		
RIVER FLOOD WARNING FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		WGUS41 KCAR WRUS2 KPWM
RIVER FLOOD STATEMENT FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		WGUS81 KCAR RWUS42 KPWM
RIVER STATEMENT FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		FGUS81 KCAR FGUS81 KPWM
RIVER ICE STATEMENT FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		FIUS41 KCAR FIUS41 KPWM
DAILY HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL PRODUCT FOR NORTHERN AND EASTERN MAINE		SXUS51 KCAR SXUS51 KPWM

* THESE PRODUCTS WILL CONTINUE TO EXIST...BUT WILL NOW COVER SMALLER GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS.

FOR HOLDERS OF WEATHER SERVICE OPERATIONS MANUAL /WSOM/ CHAPTER C-11...APPENDIX A /ZONE FORECAST AREA MAPS/...THIS NOTICE UPDATES PAGES A-7...A-9...A-15 AND A-16. FOR HOLDERS OF WSOM CHAPTER C-47...APPENDIX A /COUNTY WARNING AREAS/...THIS NOTICE UPDATES PAGES A-2...A-3...A-39 AND A-40.

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