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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATEMENT...SERVICE CHANGE NOTICE 99-92
NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC
830 AM EDT THU SEP 30 1999

TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS
EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/
SUBSCRIBERS
FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES
NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWS/ SUBSCRIBERS
OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES

FROM: THERESE Z. PIERCE
CHIEF...INTEGRATED HYDROMETEOROLOGY SERVICES

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY TO NWS MOBILE
ALABAMA...EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15 1999

EFFECTIVE MONDAY...NOVEMBER 15 1999 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME
/UTC/...700 AM EST...SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND
ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS...INCLUDING FIRE WEATHER WATCHES AND RED
FLAG WARNINGS...FOR LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES IN SOUTHWEST ALABAMA AND
EXTREME WESTERN FLORIDA WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE NWS OFFICE AT MOBILE
ALABAMA. THESE PRODUCTS WILL BE ISSUED FOR THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:

IN SOUTHWEST ALABAMA:
MARENGO...CHOCTAW...CLARKE...WASHINGTON...MOBILE...BALDWIN...WILCOX...
MONROE...BUTLER...CONECUH...ESCAMBIA...CRENSHAW AND COVINGTON

IN EXTREME WESTERN FLORIDA:
ESCAMBIA...SANTA ROSA AND OKALOOSA

THE SERVICE TRANSFER IS CONSISTENT WITH THE OVERALL STRATEGIC PLAN OF THE
NWS MODERNIZATION EFFORT AND WILL ENABLE THE MOBILE NWS OFFICE TO TAKE
FULL ADVANTAGE OF ITS INCREASED TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES...THEREBY
PROVIDING AN ENHANCED LEVEL OF FIRE WEATHER SERVICE FOR SOUTHWEST ALABAMA
AND EXTREME WESTERN FLORIDA.

CUSTOMERS OF NWS FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS AND SERVICES IN THESE LAND
MANAGEMENT AREAS SHOULD NOTE THAT...COINCIDENT WITH THE ASSUMPTION OF
SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY BY THE MOBILE NWS OFFICE...ALL PRODUCTS WILL BE
ISSUED UNDER NEW PRODUCT IDENTIFIERS. THE IDENTIFIERS AND THEIR
ASSOCIATED WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION /WMO/ HEADERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

ID	WMO HEADER	PRODUCT
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BHMFWMOB	FNUS54 KMOB	ROUTINE FIRE WEATHER FORECAST
BHMFWMOB	FNUS84 KMOB	LAND MANAGEMENT FORECAST
BHMFWMOB	FNUS84 KMOB	MISCELLANEOUS FIRE WEATHER PRODUCT
BHMFWMOB	SHUS84 KMOB	FIRE WEATHER NOTIFICATION MESSAGES
BHMFWMOB	SHUS64 KMOB	FIRE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS
BHMFWMOB	FNUS74 KMOB	FIRE WEATHER SUPPRESSION FORECAST

BHMRFDMOB FNUS64 KMOB RANGELAND FIRE DANGER FORECAST
BHMRFWMOB WWUS84 KMOB RED FLAG WARNING
BHMSMFMOB FNUS74 KMOB SMOKE MANAGEMENT WEATHER FORECAST

THE ISSUANCE OF THESE PRODUCTS ARE BASED ON SERVICE REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH BOTH FEDERAL AND NON-FEDERAL LAND MANAGEMENT AGENCIES.

PLEASE NOTE...SUBSCRIBERS TO THE FAMILY OF SERVICES (FOS) AND THE EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK (EMWIN) MUST TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ENSURE RECEIPT OF THESE NEW PRODUCTS.

TO REPEAT...THE NWS OFFICE IN MOBILE ALABAMA WILL ASSUME SERVICE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PREPARATION AND ISSUANCE OF FIRE WEATHER PRODUCTS FOR SOUTHWEST ALABAMA AND EXTREME WESTERN FLORIDA...BEGINNING MONDAY NOVEMBER 15 1999 AT 1200 UTC...700 AM EST.

QUESTIONS REGARDING THE SERVICE TRANSFER SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

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

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