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TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION NOTICE 06-50 NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE HEADQUARTERS WASHINGTON DC 1118 AM EDT FRI JUL 14 2006

- TO: FAMILY OF SERVICES /FOS/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAA WEATHER WIRE SERVICE /NWWS/ SUBSCRIBERS EMERGENCY MANAGERS WEATHER INFORMATION NETWORK /EMWIN/ SUBSCRIBERS NOAAPORT SUBSCRIBERS OTHER NWS CUSTOMERS...PARTNERS AND EMPLOYEES
- FROM: ELI JACKS CHIEF...FIRE AND PUBLIC WEATHER SERVICES BRANCH

SUBJECT: TEMPORARY CHANGE TO POINT FORECAST MATRIX /PFM/ ISSUED BY WFOS PORTLAND OREGON...SEATTLE WASHINGTON...SPOKANE WASHINGTON AND PENDLETON OREGON: EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 28 2006

EFFECTIVE THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28 2006 AT 1200 COORDINATED UNIVERSAL TIME /UTC/...NWS WILL TEMPORARILY CHANGE THE FORMAT OF POINT FORECAST MATRIX /PFM/ MESSAGES ISSUED BY WEATHER FORECAST OFFICES /WFOS/ PORTLAND OREGON...SEATTLE WASHINGTON...SPOKANE WASHINGTON AND PENDLETON OREGON. THIS CHANGE WILL ALLOW FOR TESTING OF A NEW GRIDDED FORECAST METHODOLOGY BY THOSE OFFICES AND WILL CONTINUE THROUGH THE LAST PFM ISSUED ON NOVEMBER 20 2006.

THE FORMAT CHANGE WILL INVOLVE CHANGES TO THE TIMES LISTED IMMEDIATELY ABOVE THE FORECAST METEOROLOGICAL PARAMETERS. THOSE TIMES WILL BE IN THREE HOURLY INCREMENTS CENTERED FROM 00 UTC...INSTEAD OF 00 LOCAL TIME. SEE EXAMPLES OF THE CURRENT AND MODIFIED PFM PRODUCTS AT THE FOLLOWING URL /USE LOWER CASE/:

WWW.WEATHER.GOV/OS/NOTIFICATION/RESOURCES/PFM FORMAT CHG JULY 2006.PDF

PFM MESSAGES INCLUDED IN THIS CHANGE ARE:

OFFICE	WMO HEADER	AWIPS ID
SEATTLE WA	FOUS56 KSEW	SEAPFMSEW
PORTLAND OR	FOUS56 KPQR	PDXPFMPQR
SPOKANE WA	FOUS56 KOTX	SEAPFMOTX
PENDLETON OR	FOUS56 KPDT	PDXPFMPDT

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS NOTICE...PLEASE CONTACT:

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