SITUATION: A strong cold front is moving through the state today. The front will come quickly through the State today with a temperature drop of at least 20 degrees behind this boundary. Also in the wake of the front will be strong northwest winds of 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts. Below the threat is broken down by the National Weather Service areas in the state of Louisiana.

FORECAST for LOUISIANA:

A modified arctic air mass will remain over the region into the weekend with the coldest period expected to Friday morning. Freezing temperatures are expected over most of the area Friday morning away from the coast. The National Weather Service in Lake Charles has issued a freeze watch which is in effect from Thursday evening through Friday morning. Temperatures expected to be 26 to 30 degrees north of Interstate 10 and 30 to 35 degrees south of Interstate 10. Impacts: Tender outdoor vegetation will likely be damaged by subfreezing temperatures. Precautionary/preparedness actions: A freeze watch means sub-freezing temperatures are possible. These conditions could kill exposed tender vegetation.