



Spring 2025 Southern New England CoCoRaHS News

Welcome to meteorological spring which includes the months of March, April, and May! Our quarterly Spring Newsletter features the “Grand List”, Winter 2024-25 Review, Reporting Reminders, and Observing Tips.

Please don't hesitate to contact me by email (jdellica@gmail.com) if you have any questions about reporting!

-Joe Dellicarpini, SNE CoCoRaHS Coordinator

Thank You!

Our winter turned active (finally) in January and February with a number of storms that brought snow, sleet, and freezing rain. Your observations were on the mark and we only noticed a few errors. ***Thank you*** for all of your efforts in providing accurate snowfall, snow depth, and snow water equivalent reports! Your reports were not only helpful to NWS offices in real time but will help define the climate of this past winter.

Welcome!

A special welcome to the observers who joined our network recently. We're glad to have you aboard. Whether you report every day or once in a while, that's OK. Report as often as you like. Here are the new observers who joined over the winter:

Connecticut:

- CT-HR-146, West Hartford 2.0 ESE
- CT-HR-147, Glastonbury Center 1.2 E
- CT-HR-148, Granby 0.1 NE
- CT-LT-56, Kent 4.2 NNE
- CT-LT-57, Woodbury Center 0.6 SW
- CT-MD-43, Westbrook 1.4 ESE
- CT-NH-94, Orange 1.1 WSW
- CT-NH-95, Cheshire Valley 0.3 S
- CT-WN-31, Willimantic 1.3 SSE

Massachusetts

- MA-BR-89, North Attleboro 0.6 N
- MA-MD-246, Winchester 0.8 W
- MA-MD-247, Billerica 1.1 NNE
- MA-MD-248, Swampscott 0.7 NW
- MA-MD-249, Arlington 0.3 SW
- MA-NF-96, South Weymouth 1.3 ENE
- MA-WR-140, Spencer 1.7 W
- MA-WR-141, Uxbridge 4.2 WSW

Rhode Island

- RI-PR-153, Cranston 2.7 ENE
- RI-PR-154, Providence 1.8 ENE

The “Grand List”

We always like to recognize your reporting milestones. Here are the latest Daily Observation tallies as of March 1, 2025. We have our first entry into the 6,000+ Daily reports column - congratulations!

Thank you for your efforts in reporting. Keep up the great work!

Remember, you can check out the [CoCoRaHS Data Explorer](#) to view your past reports and see how your totals compare to various normals. Just change the ID in the link to match your station.

6,000+ Daily Reports

RI-NW-4 Middletown 1.1 SW

5,000+ Daily Reports

CT-FR-9 Brookfield 3.3 SSE
CT-TL-2 Staffordville 0.4 NNW
CT-HR-6 Wethersfield 1.2 WSW
CT-WN-4 East Killingly 1.3 SW
CT-HR-5 Enfield 1.5 SE
CT-HR-8 North Granby 1.3 ENE
MA-NF-1 Norwood 1.3 NW
MA-BR-3 Norton 1.8 NNE
MA-BA-3 Falmouth 3.0 E
MA-BR-8 Dighton 1.1 WSW
MA-ES-4 Groveland 0.5 WSW
MA-PL-5 Kingston 3.3 WNW
MA-BA-1 Yarmouth 2.3 SSE
MA-BR-2 Rehoboth 2.1 N
MA-MD-7 Winchester 0.7 SE
MA-MD-12 Acton 1.3 SW
MA-BA-18 Waquoit 0.6 SSW
MA-MD-11 Cambridge 0.9 NNW
RI-KN-2 East Greenwich 2.3 ESE (nearing 6,000!)

4,000+ Daily Reports

CT-NL-5	Oakdale 2.6 WNW
CT-NH-14	Prospect 1.9 ENE
CT-LT-9	New Hartford Center 3.2 SW
CT-HR-15	Southington 3.0 E
MA-ES-12	Boxford 2.4 S
MA-BA-13	Falmouth 0.6 NNW
MA-BA-17	East Falmouth 1.2 WNW
MA-BA-12	Orleans 1.1 E
MA-BA-19	East Falmouth 0.7 NW
MA-BA-2	Falmouth 3.1 NNW
MA-BA-11	East Falmouth 1.4 ESE
MA-HS-2	Westhampton 1.8 SW
MA-WR-118	Sturbridge 4.6 SW
MA-BA-22	Yarmouth 0.9 NNW
MA-BR-14	Dartmouth 2.5 SSW
MA-BA-27	Wellfleet 0.7 NW
MA-BA-10	East Sandwich 2.3 SE
MA-DK-2	Vineyard Haven 0.8 WSW
MA-WR-8	Fitchburg 1.6 SSW
MA-FR-10	Conway 0.9 SW
MA-BR-16	Somerset 0.4 SSE
RI-NW-7	Little Compton 0.6 E

3,000+ Daily Reports

CT-FR-23	Shelton 1.3 W
CT-HR-22	East Hartford 1.3 E
CT-WN-8	Moosup 1.7 NE
CT-FR-25	Norwalk 2.9 NNW
CT-FR-3	New Canaan 1.9 ENE
CT-NH-22	Prospect 0.5 SW
CT-HR-28	North Canton 0.8 SSW
CT-NL-22	Central Waterford 2.7 SSW
CT-NL-21	Griswold 0.9 N
CT-NL-6	New London 1.0 NNW
CT-TL-15	Central Somers 0.3 N
CT-TL-18	Hebron 5.3 NW

CT-FR-41	Bethel 3.5 NNE
CT-NL-10	Norwich 2.5 NNE
CT-HR-23	Southington 0.9 SSE
CT-FR-43	Bethel 0.5 E
CT-NL-24	Stonington 1.4 NNW
MA-BE-4	Becket 5.6 SSW
MA-NF-11	Millis 2.0 SW
MA-PL-2	Sagamore Beach 1.0 NW
MA-WR-28	Berlin 1.3 WSW
MA-MD-25	Ayer 0.1 SW
MA-BE-11	Great Barrington 3.0 N
MA-MD-44	Medford 1.2 W
MA-MD-42	Holliston 0.8 S
MA-HD-13	Springfield 4.1 W
MA-HS-8	Williamsburg 1.2 WSW
MA-PL-15	Abington 1.2 NNE
MA-MD-47	West Townsend 0.5 W
MA-SF-10	Chelsea 0.8 N
MA-MD-51	Maynard 0.7 ESE
MA-BA-7	Wellfleet 3.0 E
MA-ES-20	Haverhill 0.7 N
MA-MD-52	Lexington 0.6 SW
MA-BA-47	Mashpee 2.4 WSW
MA-FR-12	Sunderland 1.3 SE
MA-HS-7	Plainfield 2.2 SW
MA-FR-8	New Salem 3.1 S
MA-BA-14	North Falmouth 0.5 ENE
MA-BA-45	Sandwich 0.9 NNE
MA-FR-17	Buckland 1.8 ESE
MA-WR-43	Leicester 2.4 ESE
MA-FR-13	Conway 2.9 NW
MA-WR-30	Shrewsbury 1.6 NNE
MA-BA-51	Orleans 3.0 S
MA-MD-36	Townsend 2.6 S
MA-WR-41	Auburn 2.6 SW
MA-WR-44	Westminster 0.6 WSW
MA-MD-53	Acton 4.0 ENE
MA-BR-30	Taunton 3.9 N
MA-BA-50	Falmouth 5.4 NNE

MA-BA-52 Truro 0.8 E
MA-WR-40 Gardner 1.4 SSW
RI-PR-33 Greenville 0.7 NNW
RI-PR-28 North Smithfield 0.7 SE
RI-PR-51 North Smithfield 0.6 S
RI-WS-36 Charlestown 3.0 WSW
RI-WS-31 Kingston 7.5 NNE
RI-PR-50 Harrisville 1.2 SSE

2,000+ Daily Reports

CT-FR-46 Stratford 0.2 ESE
CT-NL-19 Mystic 0.9 W
CT-FR-32 Monroe 0.8 W
CT-LT-20 Warren 2.4 WNW
CT-NL-18 Stonington 0.5 NNE
CT-NH-44 Wallingford Center 1.9 WNW
CT-NH-43 Wallingford Center 3.3 NNW
CT-LT-18 New Hartford Center 1.5 N
CT-WN-12 Eastford 2.0 W
CT-WN-10 South Windham 1.3 NNE
CT-NH-42 Wallingford Center 1.1 N
CT-NL-29 East Lyme 0.5 SW
CT-NH-45 Naugatuck 1.7 NNE
CT-MD-21 Killingworth 2.6 ESE
CT-HR-68 Rocky Hill 1.3 E
CT-HR-65 Newington 1.9 SSW
CT-MD-23 Higganum 0.7 N
CT-NL-38 Old Lyme 3.4 ESE
CT-LT-22 New Milford 5.3 SSW
CT-HR-57 Suffield Depot 3.3 NNE
CT-MD-18 Essex Village 0.9 S
CT-NL-32 Niantic 1.1 SW
CT-TL-27 Willington 2.7 SE
CT-TL-26 Broad Brook 2.6 ESE
CT-WN-6 Dayville 2.0 ENE
CT-NL-40 Pawcatuck 1.8 SSE
CT-FR-26 Stratford 0.9 W

CT-MD-25 Middlefield 0.6 SE
CT-LT-28 Canaan 4.2 ESE
CT-FR-59 New Canaan 3.8 N
CT-MD-26 Higganum 0.8 NE
CT-HR-55 Southington 1.7 WNW
CT-FR-57 Trumbull 0.9 W
CT-NL-37 Mystic 1.6 W
CT-FR-60 Fairfield 1.5 NE
CT-FR-29 Ridgefield 1.9 SSE
CT-HR-82 Suffield 0.5 NNE
CT-HR-39 Farmington 1.6 SW
CT-TL-30 Mansfield Center 2.7 NE
CT-HR-70 Canton 1.5 W
CT-HR-83 Plainville 1.7 SW
CT-FR-29 Ridgefield 1.9 SSE
MA-PL-23 Pembroke 2.8 SW
MA-NF-19 Foxborough 1.8 SSW
MA-ES-24 Newburyport 0.8 SW
MA-WR-54 Barre 1.4 NNE
MA-MD-85 Wilmington 2.2 WNW
MA-PL-31 Bridgewater 1.8 SE
MA-ES-41 Danvers 0.8 ESE
MA-WR-56 Sterling 4.3 NW
MA-BA-59 Barnstable 3.6 W
MA-PL-17 Plympton 0.9 NNE
MA-BR-23 Attleboro 0.9 ENE
MA-MD-62 Chelmsford 1.2 E
MA-NF-26 Bellingham 2.4 S
MA-MD-89 Sudbury 3.6 W
MA-WR-22 Fitchburg 2.0 NNE
MA-BA-42 Orleans 1.8 S
MA-BA-43 Chatham 0.4 WSW
MA-PL-36 Hingham 0.8 ESE
MA-HS-12 Northampton 0.4 S
MA-NF-32 Quincy 1.8 WSW
MA-BA-57 Falmouth 5.7 N
MA-NF-31 Stoughton 1.2 E
MA-MD-105 Littleton 0.9 WSW
MA-PL-22 East Bridgewater 0.3 WSW

MA-MD-18 Belmont 0.2 ESE
MA-BR-52 New Bedford 4.3 N
MA-MD-119 Watertown 1.1 W
MA-ES-48 Andover 0.6 E
MA-BE-10 Pittsfield 2.0 NNW
MA-MD-104 Littleton 2.8 NNW
MA-BR-55 NWS Boston/Norton 2.5 ESE
MA-MD-115 Hudson 1.4 NW
MA-HD-20 Wilbraham 3.7 SSW
MA-WR-25 Holden 2.0 ESE
MA-BR-37 Westport 0.9 ESE
MA-WR-18 Northborough 0.6 SSE
MA-HS-26 Easthampton 0.5 SW
MA-WR-55 Harvard 2.1 S
MA-BA-72 Yarmouth 2.0 S
MA-MD-45 Wilmington 1.5 NE
MA-MD-125 Tewksbury 3.6 SSE
MA-MD-126 Melrose 0.5 NE
MA-MD-107 Framingham 1.7 E
MA-BA-78 Mashpee 4.6 S
MA-BE-2 Great Barrington 0.4 N
MA-BA-77 South Dennis 1.0 NW
MA-MD-55 Holliston 0.7 W
MA-BA-76 Barnstable 0.7 NE
MA-WR-58 Lunenburg 0.6 NE
MA-MD-120 Natick 1.9 NNE
MA-WR-69 Northbridge 1.7 WNW
MA-MD-123 Lexington 1.3 SE
MA-PL-48 Marshfield 1.5 NNW
MA-BA-65 Chatham 0.2 SSE
MA-BR-58 Dighton 3.3 NNW
MA-ES-58 Middleton 1.4 SSW
MA-ES-45 Nahant 0.4 N
MA-BA-64 Sandwich 1.5 SSE
MA-NT-1 Nantucket 3.8 WNW
MA-HD-26 Brimfield 3.6 NW
MA-FR-31 Colrain 3.7 WNW
MA-ES-56 Newburyport 1.0 ESE
MA-BA-33 Brewster 1.5 ESE

MA-ES-25 Gloucester 4.3 N
MA-BA-80 Brewster 1.4 W
MA-WR-75 Warren 2.4 WSW
MA-HD-28 Westfield 2.8 SE
MA-HS-21 Northampton 0.6 ESE
MA-BA-79 Mashpee 0.8 SSW
MA-BR-61 Mansfield 2.4 ENE
RI-NW-16 Portsmouth 1.3 S
RI-WS-37 Kingston 2.4 SW
RI-BR-5 Barrington 1.3 WNW
RI-WS-42 Richmond 4.6 NNE
RI-NW-20 Tiverton 1.0 SSW
RI-PR-55 Cumberland Hill 3.6 NNE
RI-NW-18 Jamestown 0.3 SSE
RI-WS-47 Westerly 0.8 WNW
RI-PR-44 Cranston 4.2 ENE
RI-PR-57 Cranston 1.2 SSE
RI-PR-59 Cumberland Hill 0.9 NW
RI-KN-21 Coventry 1.9 NE
RI-NW-17 Tiverton 4.4 SSE
RI-WS-30 Westerly 2.4 NNW
RI-WS-45 Charlestown 4.7 NNE
RI-WS-54 North Kingstown 2.7 WSW
RI-PR-67 Providence 1.6 NE
RI-KN-23 Warwick 3.2 NNE

1,000+ Daily Reports

CT-MD-24 Durham 1.2 W
CT-HR-49 West Hartford 1.1 W
CT-LT-7 Litchfield 2.3 NNE
CT-NL-44 Old Lyme 0.5 W
CT-FR-58 Ridgefield 3.6 N
CT-LT-34 Woodbury Center 1.5 SSW
CT-NH-56 Guilford Center 2.7 WSW
CT-HR-100 Manchester 0.4 ENE
CT-LT-37 New Milford 3.1 WNW
CT-FR-70 Bridgeport 2.9 NNW

CT-TL-35 Somersville 0.2 ENE
CT-HR-52 Central Manchester 0.8 N
CT-NL-46 Mystic 3.4 NW
CT-NL-8 Uncasville-Oxoboxo Valley 1.6 ENE
CT-TL-40 Coventry 0.3 NNE
CT-TL-41 Somers 0.3 S
CT-NH-67 Waterbury 1.3 WNW
CT-NH-75 Meriden 2.8 WSW
CT-HR-88 Suffield Depot 6.0 WNW
CT-HR-63 West Hartford 1.1 NNE
CT-LT-43 Winsted 3.8 ESE
CT-NL-50 Norwich 5.4 SE
CT-FR-83 Darien 2.4 NW
CT-FR-63 Wilton 1.9 NW
CT-FR-64 Bethel 4.5 SSE
CT-FR-66 Norwalk 1.4 ENE
CT-LT-5 Winsted 2.6 NNW
CT-NH-72 Northford 0.8 SW
CT-FR-65 Newtown 4.6 SE
CT-NL-52 Pawcatuck 0.8 SE
CT-TL-49 Somers 1.2 NE
CT-HR-102 Windsor Locks 3.2 SW
CT-NL-63 Old Lyme 1.7 NNE
CT-NL-56 Norwich 5.2 SE
CT-NL-57 Jewett City 3.0 ESE
CT-WN-26 Danielson 3.2 ESE
CT-NL-60 Waterford 1.1 E
CT-NH-77 Southbury 2.3 W
CT-TL-50 Vernon 1.6 N
CT-HR-31 Bristol 2.7 WNW
CT-HR-106 Southwood Acres 0.3 WSW
CT-NL-45 Groton 2.9 E
CT-NL-62 Salem 3.6 SE
CT-MD-30 Chester Center 2.7 WNW
CT-NL-70 Colchester 0.6 ENE
CT-FR-5 Darien 3.6 N
CT-HR-35 Weatogue 0.7 E
CT-WN-25 Sterling 2.6 N
CT-LT-46 Watertown 3.4 N

CT-LT-51 South Kent 0.1 SE
CT-HR-115 West Hartford 1.6 SE
MA-DK-9 West Tisbury 0.4 S
MA-FR-21 Millers Falls 0.2 SW
MA-ES-22 Rockport 1.0 E
MA-MD-158 Sherborn 1.1 NW
MA-HD-29 West Springfield 1.6 SSW
MA-BE-21 Cheshire 0.5 NNW
MA-BA-69 Eastham 0.9 SW
MA-NF-54 Quincy 1.2 W
MA-NF-50 Millis 1.4 ENE
MA-ES-61 Amesbury 2.6 WSW
MA-HD-30 Hampden 2.0 NW
MA-WR-81 Worcester 1.6 SE
MA-MD-160 Reading 1.2 N
MA-ES-66 North Andover 0.3 NW
MA-ES-55 Groveland 0.8 S
MA-MD-134 Somerville 0.5 SSE
MA-BE-20 Lee 3.7 SE
MA-BA-60 Hyannis 0.7 WNW
MA-MD-4 Townsend 3.2 NW
MA-HD-33 Agawam 1.1 SSW
MA-WR-88 Leicester 2.5 WSW
MA-NF-62 Franklin 1.4 SW
MA-PL-57 Hanson 1.8 N
MA-NF-39 Weymouth 2.3 N
MA-BA-83 Mashpee 2.5 W
MA-DK-21 Chilmark 0.9 E
MA-DK-18 Oak Bluffs 0.1 SW
MA-ES-71 Danvers 2.5 NNE
MA-MD-71 Newton 2.2 NNW
MA-MD-178 Framingham 2.0 NNE
MA-FR-36 Montague 3.4 NNW
MA-FR-35 Bernardston 1.0 SW
MA-WR-90 Upton 0.4 NE
MA-BE-24 Hancock 3.6 NNE
MA-FR-22 Ashfield 1.4 NE
MA-PL-60 Abington 1.7 ESE
MA-BA-87 Falmouth 1.5 NNW

MA-HS-45 Westhampton 0.4 WNW
MA-ES-64 Newburyport 0.4 NNW
MA-HS-48 Easthampton 1.0 E
MA-NF-63 Norfolk 1.1 W
MA-MD-192 Ayer 0.4 SSE
MA-MD-175 Arlington 0.4 WNW
MA-DK-22 Edgartown 1.3 WNW
MA-ES-77 Groveland 1.2 NE
MA-WR-100 Douglas 1.9 NNE
MA-WR-89 Holden 0.9 SSE
MA-NF-73 Foxborough 3.1 E
MA-MD-168 Pepperell 0.6 SE
MA-PL-55 Carver 2.3 E
MA-PL-61 Middleborough 3.5 SSE
MA-WR-98 Worcester 2.2 NW
MA-NT-9 Nantucket 5.9 ESE
MA-HD-22 Holyoke 1.0 ENE
MA-HD-36 West Springfield 0.3 E
MA-BR-72 Somerset 2.3 NNE
MA-FR-38 Shutesbury 2.9 SW
MA-MD-186 Watertown 1.1 NW
MA-NF-68 Quincy 1.5 SSE
MA-FR-46 Conway 1.2 E
MA-PL-63 Wareham 5.6 NE
MA-NF-65 Milton 1.3 N
MA-FR-41 Conway 3.4 WSW
MA-ES-54 Gloucester 2.1 NW
MA-SF-31 Boston 6.5 SW
MA-ES-84 Beverly 0.5 SW
MA-BA-92 Mashpee 3.2 WSW
MA-ES-76 Nahant 0.7 N
MA-MD-189 Pepperell 2.2 SSW
MA-WR-106 Athol 2.8 NNE
MA-WR-63 Rutland 3.1 SW
MA-NF-67 Bellingham 3.6 SSW
MA-BA-46 East Falmouth 0.2 ESE
MA-HS-47 Granby 0.5 WSW
MA-HD-44 Westfield 2.2 N
MA-HD-49 West Springfield 1.8 WSW

MA-WR-63 Rutland 3.1 SW
MA-BA-46 East Falmouth 0.2 ESE
MA-MD-169 Pepperell 2.1 SSW
MA-MD-205 Framingham 1.6 ENE
RI-KN-15 Warwick 4.3 SSW
RI-WS-55 Wakefield 0.8 ENE
RI-WS-52 Wakefield-Peacedale 3.1 NE
RI-WS-51 Richmond 2.4 SSE
RI-NW-28 Portsmouth 3.7 NNE
RI-PR-89 Woonsocket 1.8 WNW
RI-NW-27 Newport 1.3 SW
RI-PR-82 Providence 1.6 NNW
RI-KN-14 Greene 1.4 E
RI-BR-11 Bristol 2.0 NNW
RI-PR-84 Providence 2.7 NNE
RI-WS-58 Kingston 0.3 SW
RI-KN-31 Warwick 0.8 ENE
RI-WS-40 Exeter 1.0 NE
RI-WS-65 Wakefield-Peacedale 0.9 W
RI-KN-30 East Greenwich 2.0 NE
RI-NW-23 Tiverton 3.6 S
RI-WS-14 Kingston 5.5 W
RI-NW-32 Portsmouth 5.2 SSE
RI-KN-36 Coventry 2.5 NW
RI-WS-69 Exeter 3.9 S
RI-KN-38 Warwick 3.9 NNE
RI-PR-104 Providence 2.1 NE
RI-WS-81 Wakefield-Peacedale 0.4 SW
RI-WS-66 Narragansett 2.9 N
RI-PR-108 East Providence 0.8 SSW
RI-PR-106 Valley Falls 1.1 W
RI-PR-112 Cranston 1.7 NNE
RI-NW-30 Jamestown 0.7 NNE
RI-WS-80 South Kingston 4.3 WSW
RI-PR-77 Riverside 0.8 SE
RI-WS-70 Wakefield-Peacedale 1.7 NNE
RI-KN-37 Warwick 2.3 NNE
RI-KN-51 Coventry 3.7 W
RI-PR-119 Pawtucket 2.6 SSE

RI-KN-45 East Greenwich 2.8 NE
 RI-WS-83 Wakefield-Peacedale 0.4 NNW
 RI-NW-31 Newport 1.0 NE
 RI-WS-71 Wakefield-Peacedale 5.0 SW
 RI-KN-59 Coventry 1.2 SW
 RI-PR-121 Greenville 6.7 WSW
 RI-PR-81 Foster 4.8 SSE
 RI-WS-77 Kingston 0.7 WSW
 RI-PR-130 Greenville 2.6 WSW
 RI-WS-61 North Kingstown 0.5 NNW

Winter Review

It finally seems like we had more of a “real” winter here in southern New England. For the most part, temperatures were near or slightly below normal, precipitation varied, and snowfall was below normal. Here’s a snapshot of meteorological winter (December, January, and February) at our longer term climate sites:

Location	Average Temp (F)	Precipitation	Snowfall
Bridgeport, CT	32.9 (-0.9)	9.42” (-0.86”)	18.0” (-7.7”)
Boston, MA	31.6 (-0.9)	10.96” (+0.06”)	28.1” (-9.6”)
Providence, RI	31.2 (-1.3)	12.91” (+0.86”)	15.6” (-12.8”)
Hartford, CT	30.9 (+1.2)	8.85” (-1.64”)	21.7” (-17.4”)
Worcester, MA	27.5 (+0.1)	10.87” (-0.19”)	33.3” (-21.0”)

Mistakes Happen!

Did you know CoCoRaHS has a team that reviews all observations that are submitted and checks them for errors? If you make a mistake, don't worry - someone usually catches it and I get notified by a ticketing system.

Most of the time the error is apparent and I can make the correction for you, but in some cases I may reach out to you for more information. If I do, please don't take it personally. We're just trying to keep your station records as accurate and complete as possible.

Here are the more common mistakes I've seen recently:

- **Decimal error in data entry (1.00" instead of 0.10")**
- **Backfilling a missing observation with 0.00" a few days later when precipitation actually fell on that day.**
 - It's fine to leave observations as "NA"
 - If you do want to backfill a missing observation with a zero, please make sure surrounding stations did not report precipitation.

Spring Observing and Reporting Tips

Maintaining Your Rain Gauge:

When Temperatures Are Expected to be 36F or Lower:

- Keep the funnel from the top of the gauge and the inner cylinder indoors.

When Temperatures Are Expected to be 36F or Higher:

- Put the funnel and inner cylinder back in the gauge.

You may have to bring the funnel and top of the gauge in and out several times this spring until we see the last frost of the season, but it will prevent your gauge from being cracked and damaged.

Cleaning Your Rain Gauge:

- Your rain gauge tends to get dirty over the winter and periodically needs cleaning
- Use warm, soapy water and avoid using cleaners or brushes that can scratch the gauge parts.
- For the inner cylinder use a soft brush, soft cloth, or paper towel to remove dirt inside.

Spring Reporting Tips:

Be a Hero and Report Your Zeros!

- Reporting zeros is just as important as reporting precipitation amounts. Our spring brush fire season is just around the corner and ongoing drought conditions persist. Having reports of 0.00" helps define drought conditions and helps NWS offices provide more accurate information to state drought management and fire weather officials.

Condition Monitoring Reports: "A Report a Week Is All We Seek"

- This is a great way to let others know about ongoing conditions in your area, whether it's wet, dry, or something in between.
- Try and report once a week through the spring, usually on Mondays or Tuesdays
- The information is used by water resource officials and others, including the authors of the weekly [Drought Monitor](#). Give it a try!

Significant Weather Reports

- A very useful report, especially to NWS offices.
- These can be submitted anytime and automatically alert at NWS forecaster workstations, so your reports are seen immediately.
- They are very helpful whether it's during flooding or severe weather.
- Use the "1-2-3 Rule"
 - 1" of rain (or snow) or more per hour
 - Total of 2" or more of rain
 - Total of 3" or more of snow
 - Anything else you feel is important (storm damage, for example)

At NWS offices, we automatically import your daily observations for use in our Storm Report listings, but you are welcome to submit your snow, ice, or rainfall totals through the SWR.

That's all for now. Enjoy the longer days and warmer temperatures ahead! Our next newsletter will be out early in the summer.