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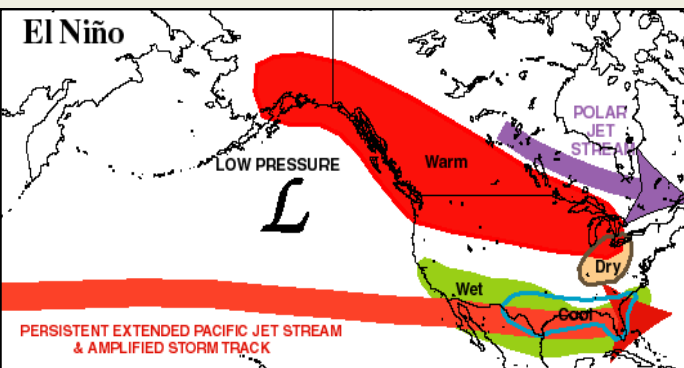
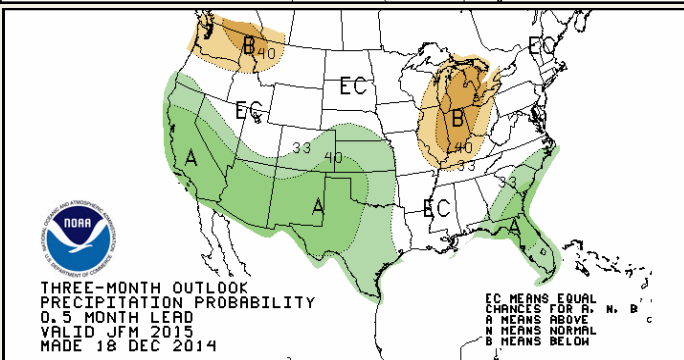
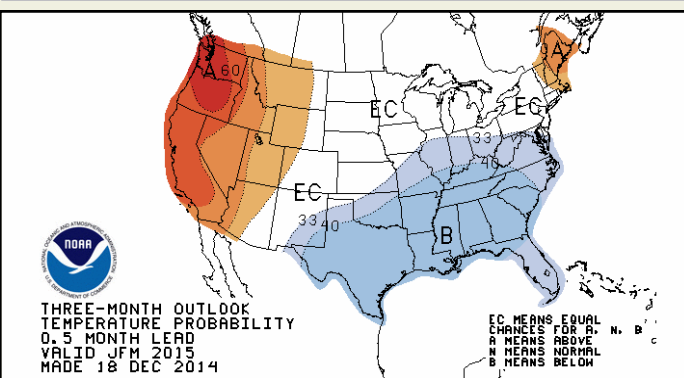
“Because Every Drop Counts”

The Ohio Newsletter

2014-2015

A Look Ahead

In 2014 we looked deeper into the El Niño watch that was issued. Where do we stand now and what is the outlook for the months ahead? Currently we are in an ENSO-neutral phase. This means that we are not in a La Niña or an El Niño, although there have been some subtle signs for a developing weak El Niño. An El Niño watch is still currently in effect, however if an El Niño develops in the next couple of months it is expected to be weak. Due to this the January, February, and March temperature and precipitation outlooks have similarities to what you might expect during an El Niño winter, however do not resemble your textbook El Niño scenario that you might see if there was a more pronounced El Niño expected to develop.



There is an increased likelihood of below normal temperatures across a large portion of the state of Ohio. In addition, there is also an increased likelihood of below normal precipitation across most of the state. This is not to say that there will not be above normal temperatures or precipitation at some point during the January, February, and March time period, however more of an overall picture of what is expected.

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Ohio Coordinators

Contact information for the state/regional coordinators along with the local county coordinators can be found on the

CoCoRaHS website.

State Coordinators

Ashley Novak and
Jeffrey Rogers

Regional Coordinators

James Kosarik (Northern)
Sam Lashley (NW)
Bob Davis (Central)
Bob Coblenz (Eastern)
Nick Webb (Southeast)
Julia Dian-Reed (Southwestern)

A special thank you to those listed below for contributing to this newsletter!

-Julian Turner,

CoCoRaHS Headquarters
-The Climate Prediction Center
and CoCoRaHS websites

-Ohio CoCoRaHS
Coordinators

CoCoRaHS Timeline

Let us welcome the US Virgin Islands to CoCoRaHS! They are the newest addition to the CoCoRaHS family. CoCoRaHS is also in all 50 states, Canada, and Puerto Rico. Below is the listing of what year each state joined the network.

CoCoRaHS
US Virgin Islands
Coming Jan 2015



Colorado (98); Wyoming (03); Kansas (04); New Mexico, Texas, Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania, Indiana (05); Missouri, Oklahoma, Montana, Illinois, Alaska (06); Nevada, Wisconsin, Tennessee, South Dakota, Iowa, North Carolina, New York, Florida, Alabama, Kentucky, Oregon (07); Louisiana, New Jersey, South Carolina, Rhode Island, Georgia, Washington, Utah, Michigan, Mississippi, California, North Dakota (08); Idaho, **OHIO**, Massachusetts, Vermont, Arkansas, West Virginia, Hawaii, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Arizona, Delaware, Minnesota (09); and Nebraska (13).

2014 Daily Precipitation Award

These Ohio stations reported daily precipitation reports everyday during 2014. Great job and thank you! You should receive your award certificate in the mail soon!

OH-AT-1	OH-DR-1	OH-MY-5
OH-AT-12	OH-ER-11	OH-PT-9
OH-CB-2	OH-FR-3	OH-PT-12
OH-CC-1	OH-FR-8	OH-SD-2
OH-CK-1	OH-GG-4	OH-SN-1
OH-CN-10	OH-GG-7	OH-SN-3
OH-CY-4	OH-HR-2	OH-SM-16
OH-CY-16	OH-MD-2	OH-WR-14
OH-CY-24	OH-MM-1	




Silver Snowflake Award-2000 Daily Precipitation Reports

Congratulations to our new Silver Snowflake Award members! These individuals have reported over 2000 daily precipitation reports. You should receive your award certificate in the mail soon! Thank you for your daily dedication to CoCoRaHS!

OH-BT-1	OH-FR-1	OH-HR-2	OH-TS-1
OH-CR-1	OH-FR-2	OH-PT-8	
OH-CW-3	OH-FR-8	OH-SH-4	
OH-DF-1	OH-HM-5	OH-SM-4	

Bronze Observer Award-1000 Daily Precipitation Reports

Congratulations to our new Bronze Observer Award members! These individuals have reported over 1000 daily precipitation reports. You should receive your award certificate in the mail soon! Thank you for your daily dedication to CoCoRaHS!

OH-BR-4	OH-MD-4	OH-TS-4
OH-HY-5	OH-SH-14	OH-WR-14
OH-MC-1	OH-SH-15	



500 Club!

Congratulations to our newest 500 Club members! These observers have submitted at least 500 daily precipitation reports since becoming a CoCoRaHS observer. We look forward to adding onto this list with the next newsletter. Way to go!



OH-AT-14	OH-DR-8	OH-JC-4
OH-AZ-2	OH-DR-16	OH-MY-25
OH-BT-17	OH-DR-17	OH-TS-6
OH-DR-7	OH-ER-24	OH-WN-4

Fall 2014 Honor Roll

From September 1, 2014 through November 30 2014, these Ohio stations reported everyday. Here are those stations who get a thumbs up for their dedication!

Not listed below, but thought you reported everyday? You can check your reports. There are multiple ways to do this. You can go into your account and click on list/edit my daily precipitation reports. This will show your reports everyday. You can also go into 'view data' at the top of the page and click on 'station precipitation summary report.' Input your station and the period of interest. The missing days will be shown with dash marks. If there are additional questions e-mail Ashley.Novak@noaa.gov.

OH-AS-2
OH-AT-1
OH-AT-5
OH-AT-12
OH-BT-17
OH-CB-2
OH-CC-1
OH-CK-1
OH-CN-10
OH-CW-3

OH-CY-4
OH-CY-16
OH-CY-24
OH-CY-27
OH-DF-1
OH-DL-8
OH-DL-10
OH-DR-1
OH-ER-14
OH-ER-18

OH-FR-3
OH-FR-8
OH-FR-22
OH-GG-4
OH-GG-7
OH-HR-2
OH-HY-5
OH-LR-8
OH-MC-7
OH-MM-1

OH-MY-5
OH-MY-17
OH-MY-25
OH-PB-1
OH-PT-9
OH-PT-12
OH-PY-1
OH-SC-4
OH-SH-10
OH-SH-13

OH-SH-14
OH-SM-5
OH-SM-16
OH-SN-1
OH-SN-3
OH-TR-4
OH-WD-14
OH-WL-5
OH-WR-14
OH-WR-15

OH-WS-3



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Helpful Links for Ohio CoCoRaHS Observers

Obtain replacement or extra equipment from our official suppliers:

<http://www.weatheryourway.com/cocorahs/store.html>

<http://www.ambientweather.com/strgloteprra.html>

For information on Climate:

<http://www.cpc.noaa.gov/>

For Current Forecasts and Severe Weather Warnings:

<http://www.weather.gov>

For river information:

<http://water.weather.gov/ahps/>

For drought information:

<http://droughtreporter.unl.edu/>

<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>



Winter Weather Reminders

We have already had some practice this season with winter weather, however with lots more winter to go here are some winter weather reminders.

*When snow or freezing temperatures are expected, remove your funnel and inner tube and bring them inside.

*Measure the depth of new snow on the snowboard to the nearest tenth of an inch.

*Measure the depth of total snow (new and old) on the ground to the nearest half inch.

*Measure the total rain and melted snow in your rain gauge to the nearest hundredth of an inch.

*Remember to report the depth of total snow (new and old) on the ground until no snow remains.

*(Optional) A core sample can be taken to enhance your CoCoRaHS observation.

*The snow/water equivalent ratio is dependent on many factors and therefore it is important to melt the precipitation in your gauge in order to get an accurate measurement.

*Sleet is reported the same as snowfall, however you can mention sleet in your comments section as well.

*Freezing rain is reported as rain, however additional information can be added to the comments section on how much ice has accumulated.