

The Catch

A LOT OF PRECIP—AND A REMINDER

FORT COLLINS, CO — Thursday, July 28, 2005

I promised you would not hear from me for a few weeks, but alas - -

One of our volunteers could not resist the challenge and computed the volume of water that fell from the sky over our multi-state region earlier this week. Here are her results:

"1/3" of rain over 450,0000 square miles is 0.0278 ft of rain over 288 million acres or 8 million acre feet of water (2,600,000,000,000 gallons)".

Thank you CO-LR-197 or formally station number 2 (one of our earliest participants from 1998).

A couple of reminders

The Aug 15 CHILL Radar Monday AM Field Trip

Remember, if you hope to go on the field trip to the CSU CHILL radar research facility near Greeley, you need to RSVP soon to Henry: hreges@atmos.colostate.edu.

And if you do RSVP then be sure to come. Scheduling this event is a bit tricky and space is limited, so if you reserve space, use it.

Details on driving instructions and schedule will be sent only to those who have RSVP'd

Upcoming picnics!

We will give more details soon (Check the CoCoRaHS "Calendar"), but we have several summer and early fall picnics scheduled where we can get together, meet, share stories, talk about research findings, etc.

Dates that we know about are:

Tuesday, Sept 6th, 5:30–7:30 PM Loveland, CO

Friday, Sept 9th, 5:30–7:30 PM Greeley/Weld County, CO

Saturday, Sep 17th, Noon to 2:30 PM Canon City and SE Colorado

As the time gets closer, we will ask you to let us know if you are planning to attend.

We know that some of our local coordinators may also be making plans in counties we are not aware of. But don't wait for your coordinator. If you feel like helping organize a social gathering for CoCoRaHS volunteers in your area, contact your local coordinator and then go for it. If you plan long enough in advance and let us know, we will try to make sure that one of our staff or sponsors is able to attend.

Recruiting Contest Update

The pace of new recruits is beginning to pick up. We got several today. Good job. Did I mention that one of the prizes is a new NOAA weather radio with storm alert features? That was recently donated by one of our volunteers.

Did I mention that one of the prizes was an all-you-care-to-eat ice cream sundae party (only valid for the Colorado Front Range).

OK, now I'm signing off for sure until mid or late August.

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