

The Catch

COCORAHS FALL RAINS—AND PICNICS

FORT COLLINS, CO — Saturday, September 10, 2005

Temperatures yesterday felt like mid summer on the plains with highs well into the 90s, but in western Wyoming, Colorado and parts of New Mexico steady rains poured down Friday. Our Red Desert observer in Sweetwater County, WY measured 0.85". That may not sound like much, but for Red Desert, that's a mighty good rain. It's called "Red Desert" for a reason. In the mountains, fall colors are appearing quickly and summer's last stand will soon come to an end.

I was in Glenwood Springs on Thursday and Friday and we got major rains each day. Meanwhile, here at home in Fort Collins we've had a miserable 0.10" in the past 4 weeks and just 1.85" since June 14th. We had been wetter than average, but not anymore.

Picnic Announcement!!

A great picnic is planned for this next Saturday, Sept 17, in Canon City Colorado to honor and thank the CoCoRaHS volunteers from that part of our region. Here are the details.

Saturday, Sept. 17th, 12:00-2:30PM Canon City, Colorado at Rudd Park (on College Avenue across from the Canon City High School). Any CoCoRaHS observers in the area are invited to attend. We'll try to have some of the new CoCoRaHS t-shirts available there. For more information contact Tommy Covington: tcovi@fremontco.com or Jane Wustrow: jane.wustrow@co.usda.gov RSVP by the end of the day on Monday, Sept 12 if possible.

I hope to see some of you there.

And then, on Sat. Oct 1 will be the Fort Collins picnic. Again, anyone within convenient driving distance is welcome to attend. I hope a few of you from southern Wyoming will stop by.

Saturday, October 1st, 12:00-3:00PM Fort Collins, Colorado, Roland Moore Park (Shields and Drake). Picnic Shelter 2. Plenty of food, prizes, contests and fun! So come hungry and be prepared to have a good time! All CoCoRaHS

Observers are invited. Please RSVP to: hreges@atmos.colostate.edu or call (970-491-1196) by September 27th. More details to follow.