

Pushing CoCoRaHS into 2015

Fort Collins, Colorado -- January 12th, 2015

Greetings to you and your rain gauging family and friends:



This is our final week for our Year-end CoCoRaHS fund raiser. We call it our "Five for CoCoRaHS" campaign because even \$5 donations can really add up. You already may volunteer your time to help measure and report precipitation. That's the best help of all. But if you'd like to contribute a few dollars, it will help keep us going through 2015.

[Here is the link to make an online donation.](#) If you'd rather send a check by mail, the instructions are included near the bottom of the donation page.

Many have already sent in donations. We've received nearly 1050 donations totaling almost \$30,000. This is wonderful help, but we're lagging behind last year when we received over 2,000 donations.

Calendars



We had high hopes to distribute many calendars -- but it hasn't worked out so well. Since there are now only 353 days left in 2015, we better drop the price. The fantastic photos taken by fellow CoCoRaisins will help remind you to check your gauge and will give you a place to jot down your readings. Also, the calendars are a colorful way to draw attention to the importance of rainfall measurements and might start a conversation that will help recruit more volunteers.

[Here is the link to order a calendar](#) (the new discount rate of \$7.50 plus shipping will appear starting around 12:00 noon tomorrow). We really want our calendars to have good homes! Please order one...they could be great Ground Hog Day presents :-)

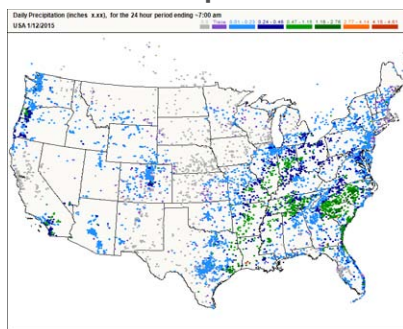
Interested in Avalanches? Webinar next week



Simon Trautman, National Avalanche Specialist with the Forest Service National Avalanche Center will be our featured speaker Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 11AM MST. [Click here to register.](#) Our webinars are

all recorded and can be viewed at your convenience on our [YouTube Channel here](#).

CoCoRaHS Maps



Wow, did you notice the [CoCoRaHS map today](#)? Except for dry weather in northern California and a north-south strip from west Texas to the Canadian Prairie, most of the country reported precipitation today!

Thanks for all your help in 2014 and we look forward to another year of fascinating weather in 2015. And don't forget, if the weather is stormy in your neighborhood, please submit real-time "[Significant Weather Reports](#)". The National Weather Service weather forecasters in your area will be very grateful. Likewise, hail reports, drought impact reports (look to the left hand menu on your data entry page), or just a few comments in your daily report -- all of this fits together as we attempt to describe the weather fluctuations and extremes that are a part of our lives.

Sincerely,

Nolan Doesken and the CoCoRaHS team,
Colorado State University

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