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From: Carl, Linda
Sent: Monday, November 1, 2010 4:41 PM
To: Pennington, John
Subject: RE: Latest precip accumulation totals

Gary is meeting with the Mayors of Gold Bar, Sultan, Granite Falls, and Index the week of November 15th. Can you keep us posted on any weather concerns? And please order sun, if you can. ☺

From: Pennington, John
Sent: Monday, November 01, 2010 11:06 AM
To: Carl, Linda
Subject: RE: Latest precip accumulation totals

Hi,

Absolutely in November, but my concerns about this being a somewhat dangerous time is very real. Darrington, in particular, can get closed off from the rest of the county very quickly when the Stillaguamish gets flooded. We often times try to pre-position some of our resources (even one of our communication vans) there pre-event.

What we have seen over the past few years is that, once we get past the first three weeks of November, we are in the clear for flooding for a while. The snow pack starts to develop and the coolness settles in, making flooding less likely until Spring. The problem for the next few weeks is that the rain is often more intense as the climate changes from summer to, essentially winter... when 10-12" of rain hits the Cascade range it just comes barreling down at full speed and creates massive flash flooding events in areas where they are not accustomed to it. Places like Darrington, Gold Bar, Sultan, and the Granite Falls area have little to no warning sometimes during this part of the month.

Now, all that said... ☺... I am just watching out for the boss!

JP.

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From: Carl, Linda
Sent: Monday, November 01, 2010 10:24 AM
To: Pennington, John
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Great idea!! But I guess we should expect some rain in the Northwest in November, right?

From: Pennington, John
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Sorry... call me next time and I can do the advance work for you!

JP.

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Couldn't you have told him sunny skies instead?? ☺

From: Pennington, John
Sent: Monday, November 01, 2010 10:18 AM
To: Haakenson, Gary; Carl, Linda
Subject: FW: Latest precip accumulation totals

Gary, Just FYI as you move toward Darrington.

Looks like they are getting clobbered, or are about to. Heavy precipitation right now.

JP.

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