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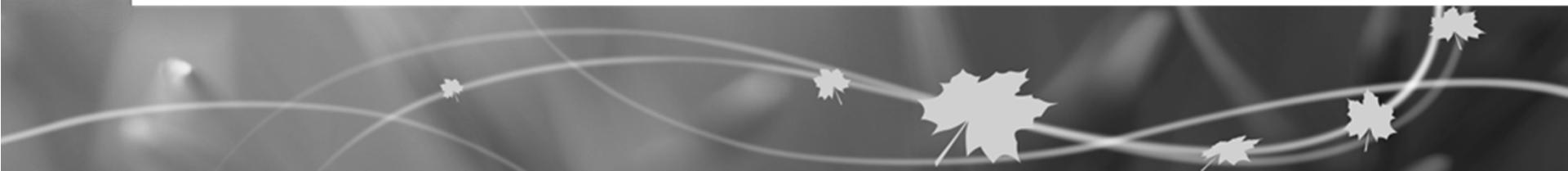
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Heavy Rain and Flooding in New Brunswick

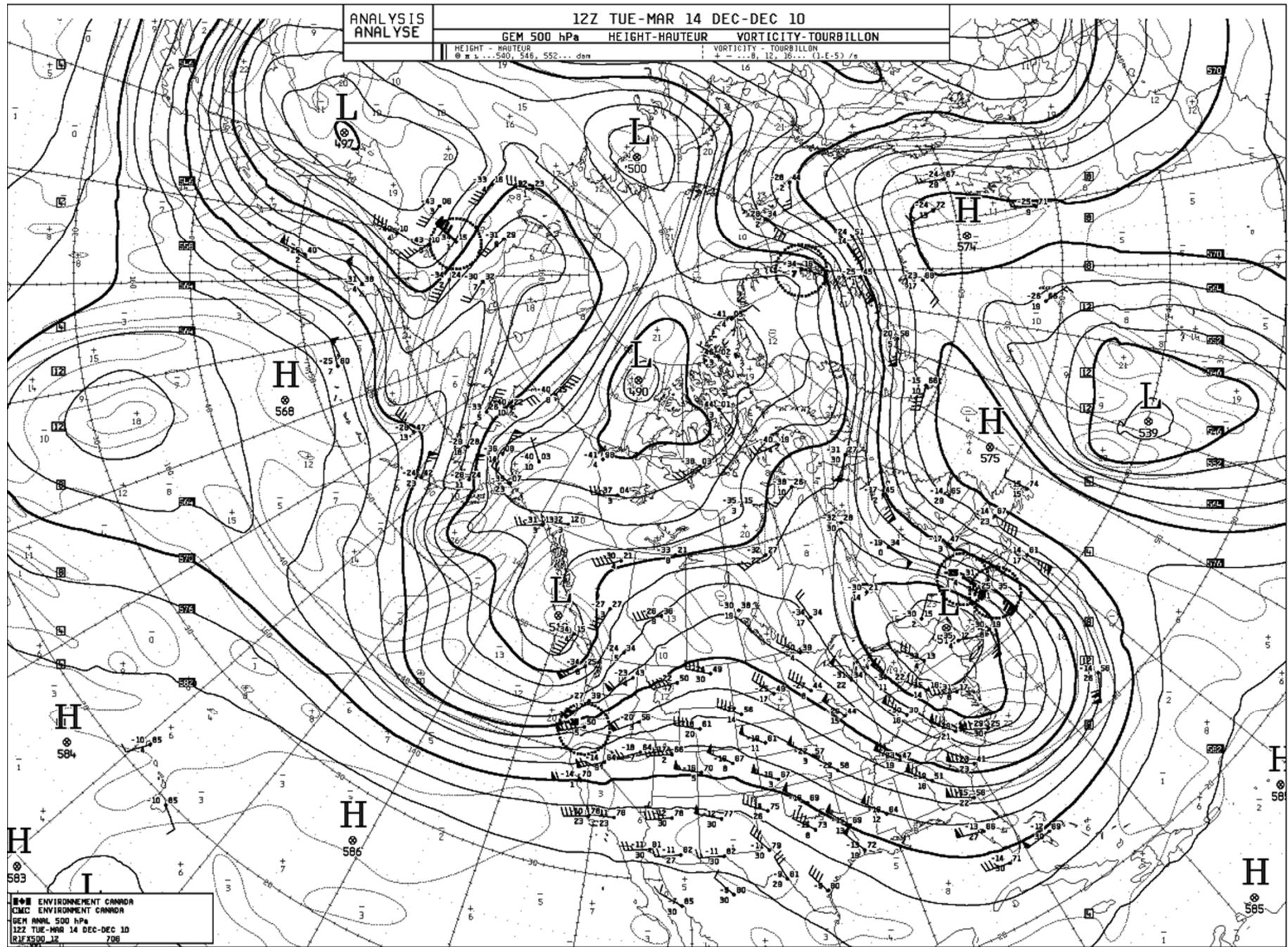
Dec 12-15 2010

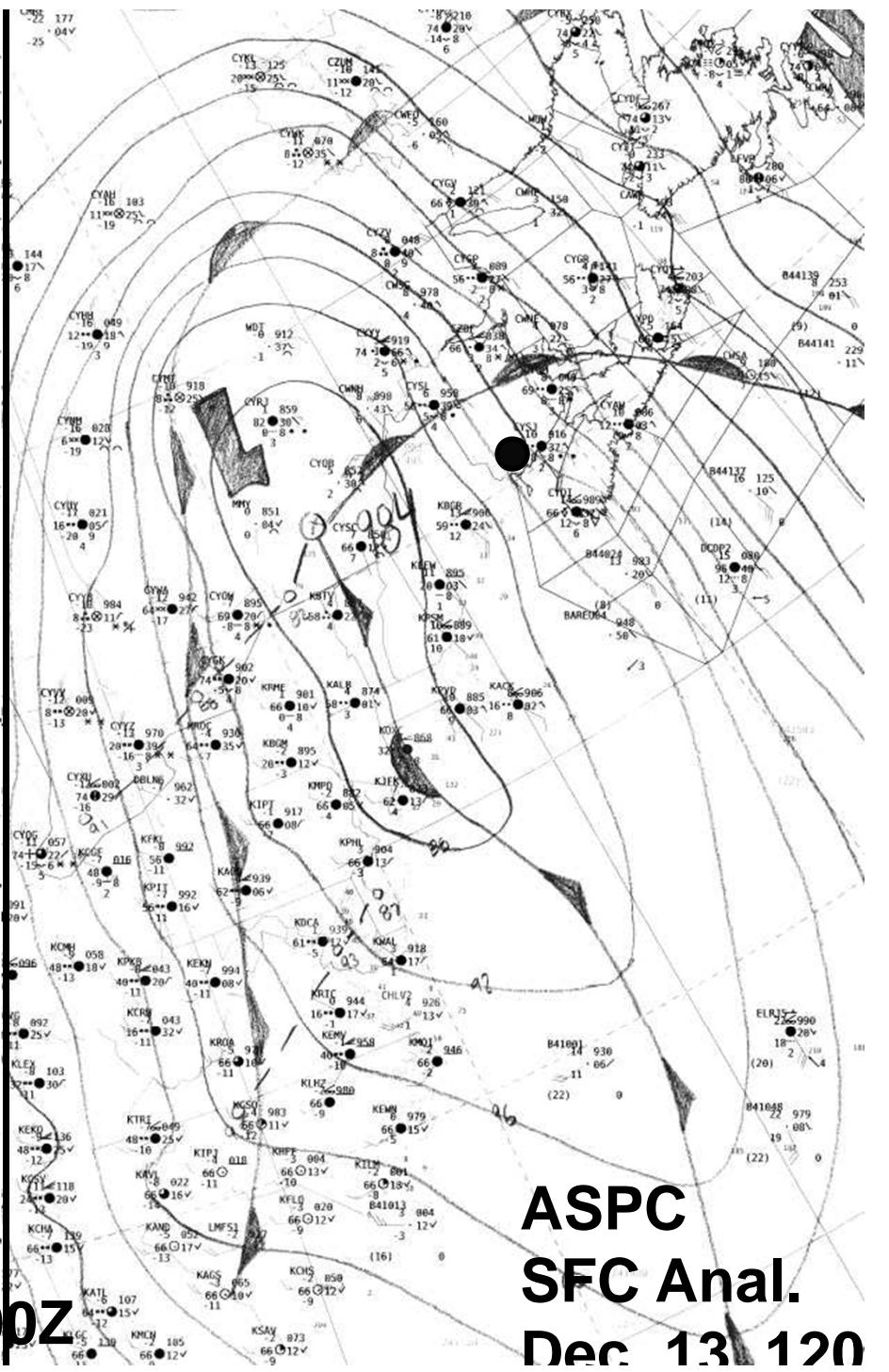
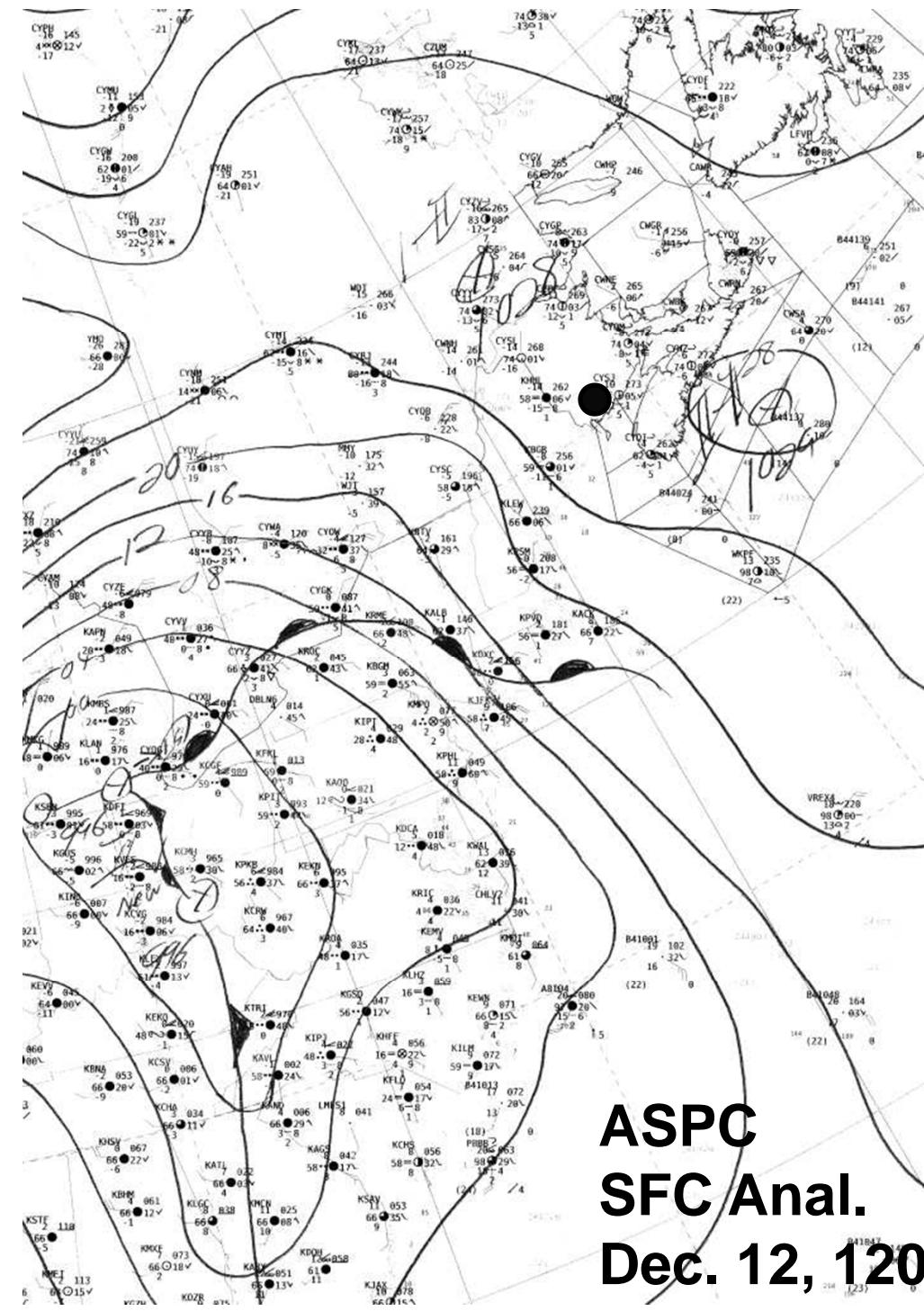
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Outline

- Overview of Dec 2010 heavy rain event and impacts
- Some historical perspective of heavy precipitation events
- New EC precipitation monitoring initiative





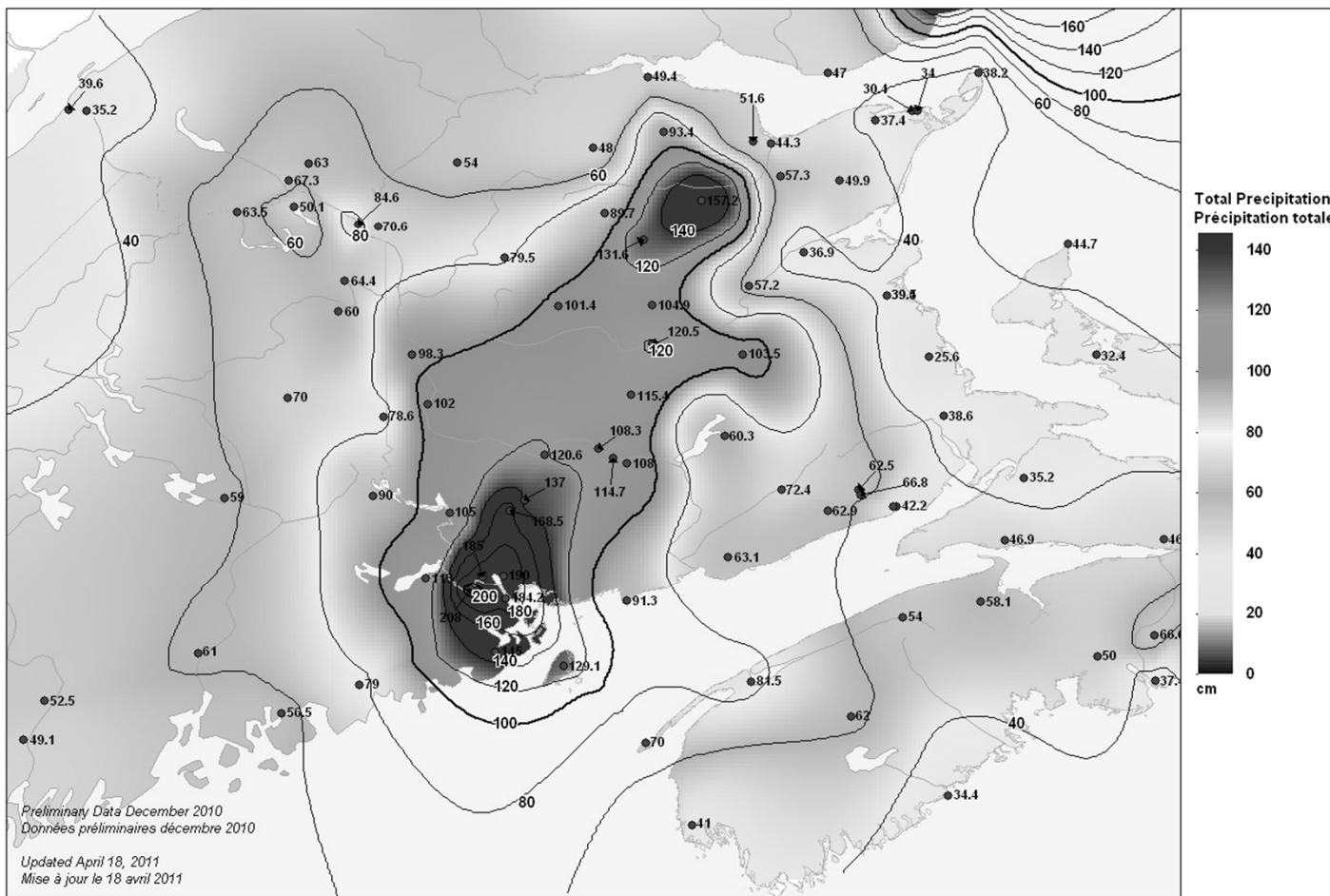
Precipitation Totals Dec 12-15 2010

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Précipitation totale 12-15 décembre 2010

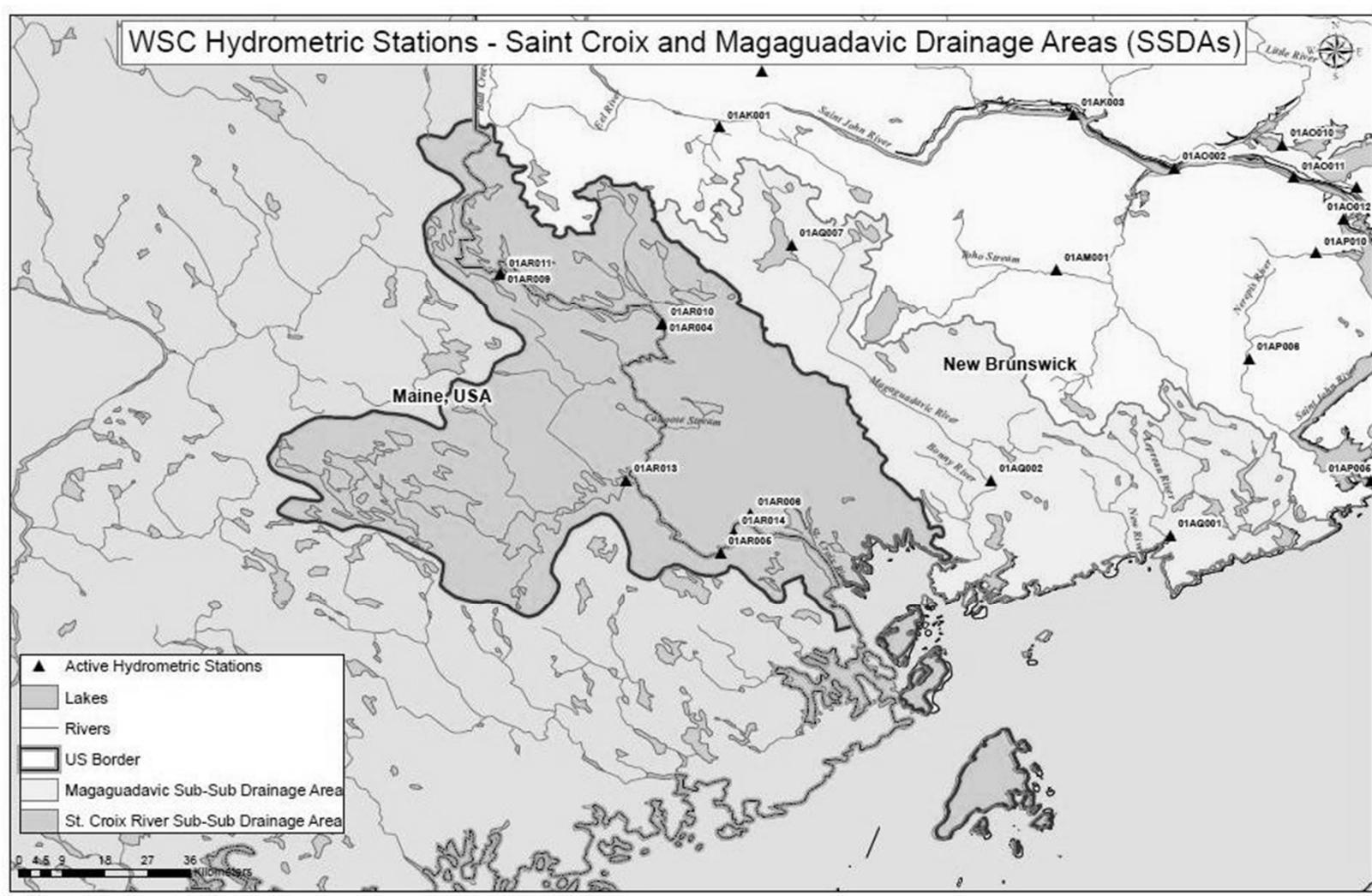


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St. Croix & Maguagadavic Watersheds





Flood photos

A boat navigates the flood waters in southwestern New Brunswick on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010, where normally a road would travel. (CBC)



Flood photos

Few people in the St. George area have ever seen water rush over the local dam. (CBC)



Flood photos

Waves of water wash over the Lake Utopia dam in St. George. (CBC)







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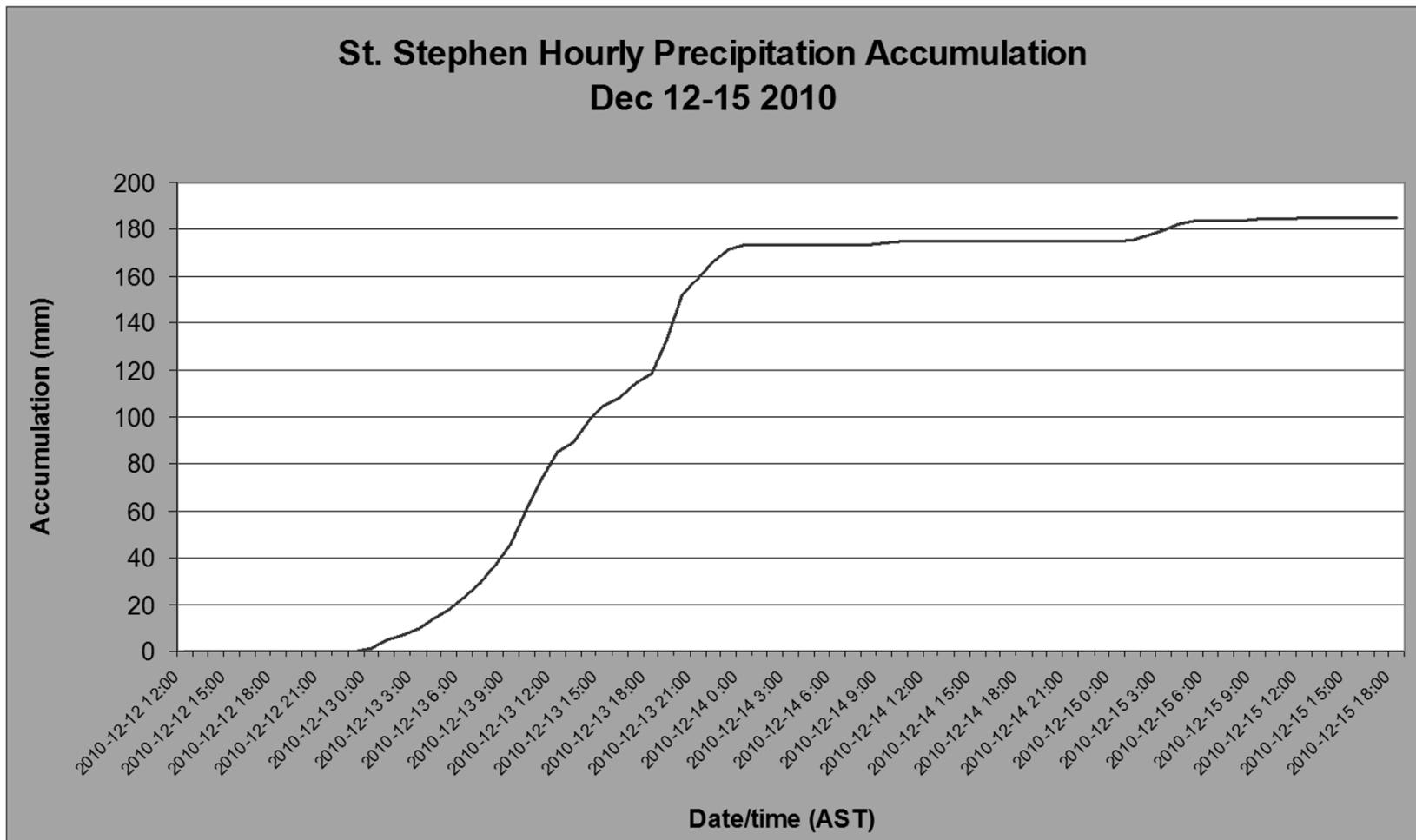
Only a guard rail still outlines where a road once stood in Bear Island. (CBC)



12/13/2010



Hourly Accumulation St. Stephen



DENNIS STREAM NEAR ST. STEPHEN [NB] (01AR006)

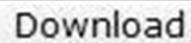
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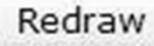
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Parameter Type:

Primary water level

Discharge

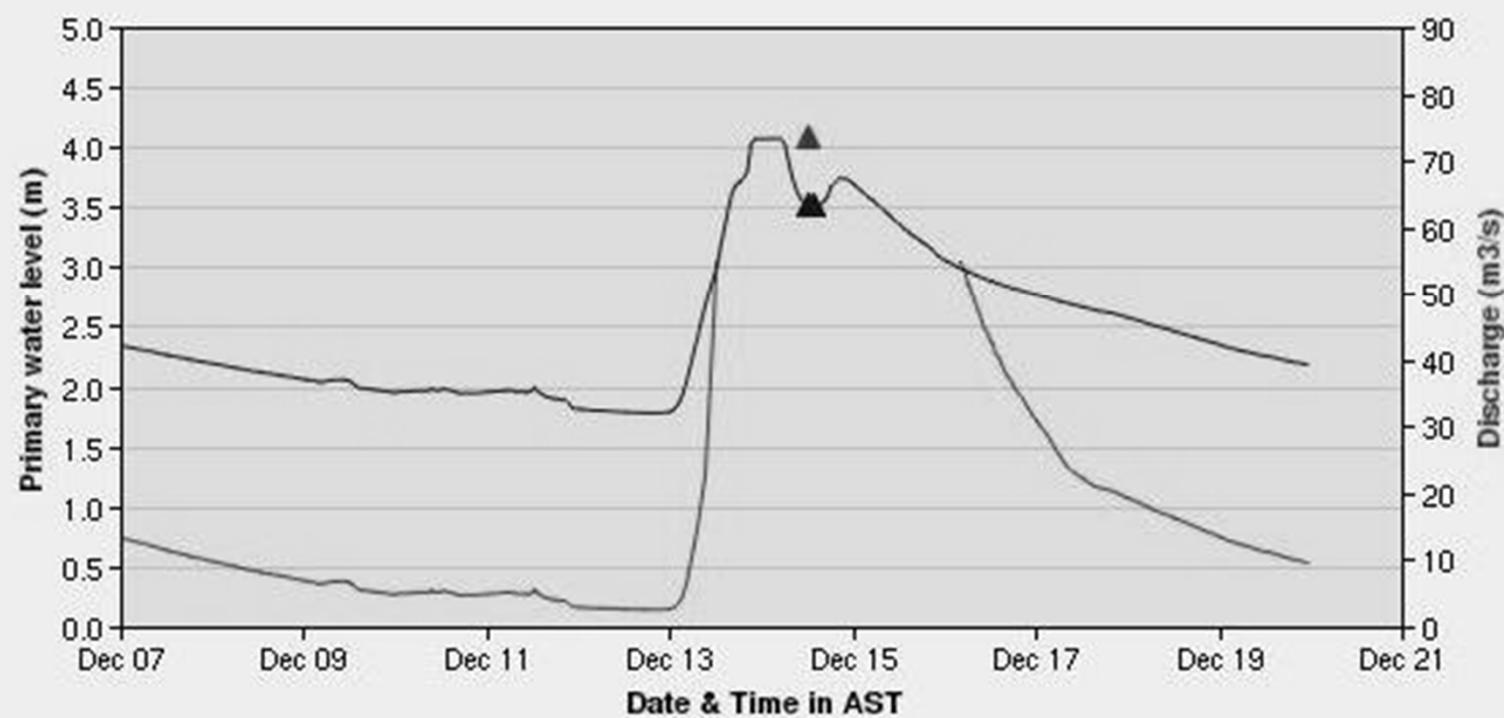


— Raw Water Level

▲ Stage Measurements

— Discharge

▲ Discharge Measurements



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Daily Data Report for November 2010

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01†	7.9	-1.4	3.3	14.7	0.0	M	M	0.0	1	33	33					
02†	3.3	-4.5	-0.6	18.6	0.0	M	M	0.0	1	33	32					
03†	8.1	-5.0	1.6	16.4	0.0	M	M	0.0	1		<31					
04†	14.3	-5.1	4.6	13.4	0.0	M	M	21.1	1	13	32					
05†	17.4	11.2	14.3	3.7	0.0	M	M	44.9		19	61					
06†	11.2	4.9	8.1	9.9	0.0	M	M	0.8			<31					
07†	6.0	3.5	4.8	13.2	0.0	M	M	16.8		36	44					
08†	12.3	5.9	9.1	8.9	0.0	M	M	33.2	1	3	52					
09†	11.0	3.8	7.4	10.6	0.0	M	M	2.3		3	52					
10†	6.4	1.5	4.0	14.0	0.0	M	M	0.0		1	63					
11†	9.1	-2.4	3.4	14.6	0.0	M	M	0.0		2	43					
12†	16.6	-3.2	6.7	11.3	0.0	M	M	0.0			<31					
13†	17.5	-2.9	7.3	10.7	0.0	M	M	0.0			<31					
14†	9.3	-2.1	3.6	14.4	0.0	M	M	0.0			<31					
15†	9.3	-2.2	3.6	14.4	0.0	M	M	0.0			<31					
16†	9.3	6.0	7.7	10.3	0.0	M	M	6.1			<31					
17†	13.3	5.6	9.5	8.5	0.0	M	M	18.9		13	50					
18†	8.9	-2.9	3.0	15.0	0.0	M	M	0.0		26	56					
19†	3.4	-7.6	-2.1	20.1	0.0	M	M	0.0		27	41					
20†	6.1	-8.0	-1.0	19.0	0.0	M	M	0.0		29	48					
21†	0.3	-9.4	-4.6	22.6	0.0	M	M	0.0		30	41					
22†	5.1	-9.0	-2.0	20.0	0.0	M	M	3.8			<31					
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24†	6.4	-1.2	2.6	15.4	0.0	M	M	0.0		31	52					
25†	2.6	-4.1	-0.8	18.8	0.0	M	M	0.0		31	44					
26†	1.8	-4.1	-1.2	19.2	0.0	0.0	M	7.9			<31					
27†	0.5	-6.8	-3.2	21.2	0.0	0.0	M	2.7	1		<31					
28†	0.5	-9.5	-4.5	22.5	0.0	M	M	0.0	3		<31					
29†	3.6	-10.2	-3.3	21.3	0.0	M	M	0.0	3		<31					
30†	5.8	-10.3	-2.3	20.3	0.0	M	M	0.0	3		<31					
Sum	455.7		0.0	0.0*		M	163.2									
Avg	7.8	-2.2	2.81				N ~126mm (30% above)									
Xtrm	17.5	-10.3					1		63							

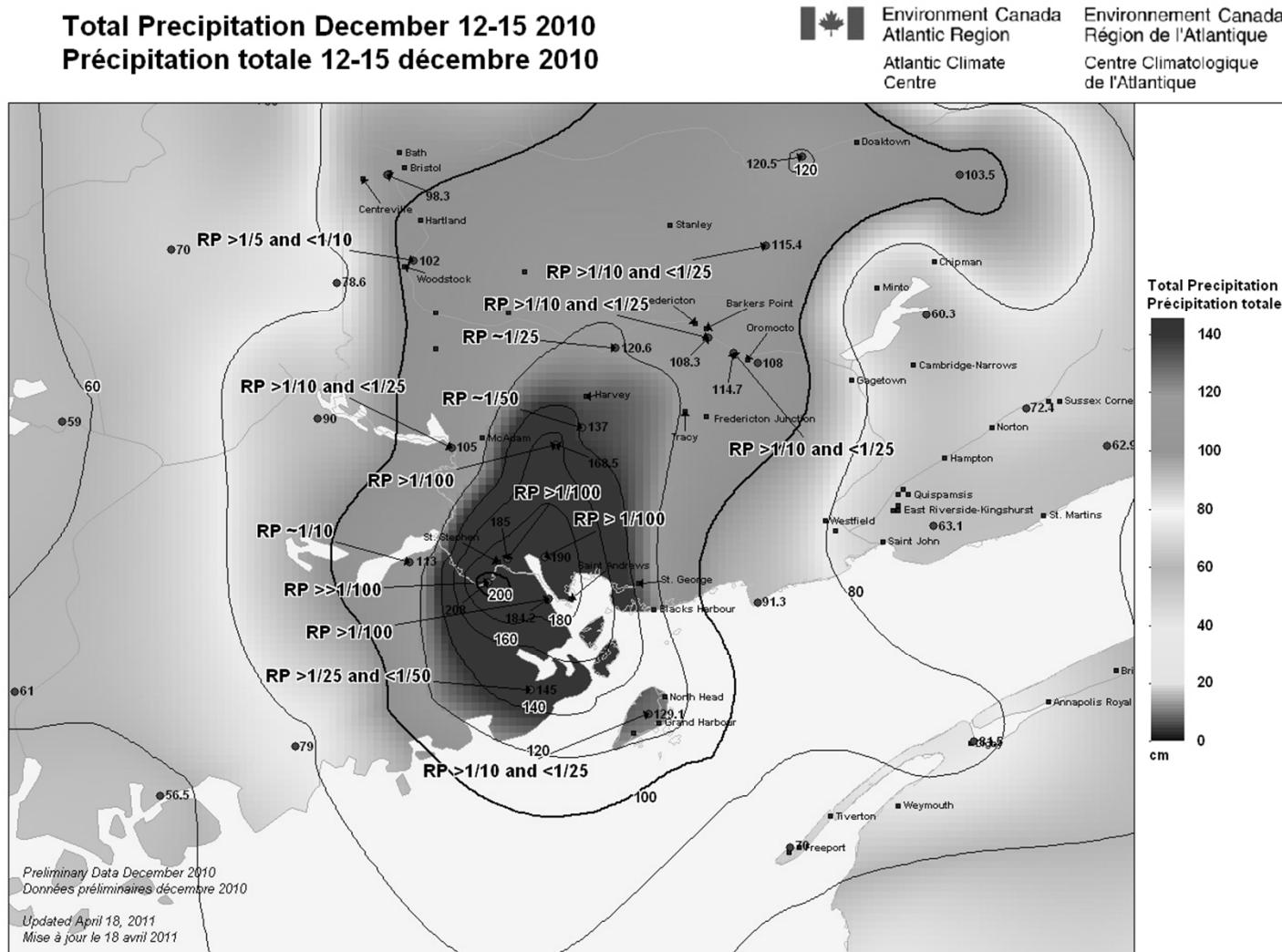
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02†	9.0	2.5	5.8	12.2	0.0	M	M	15.5		1	13	46				
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31†	5.1	-9.0	-2.0	20.0	0.0	M	M	0.0		10		<31				
Sum	642.6		0.0	0.0*		M	307.9*									
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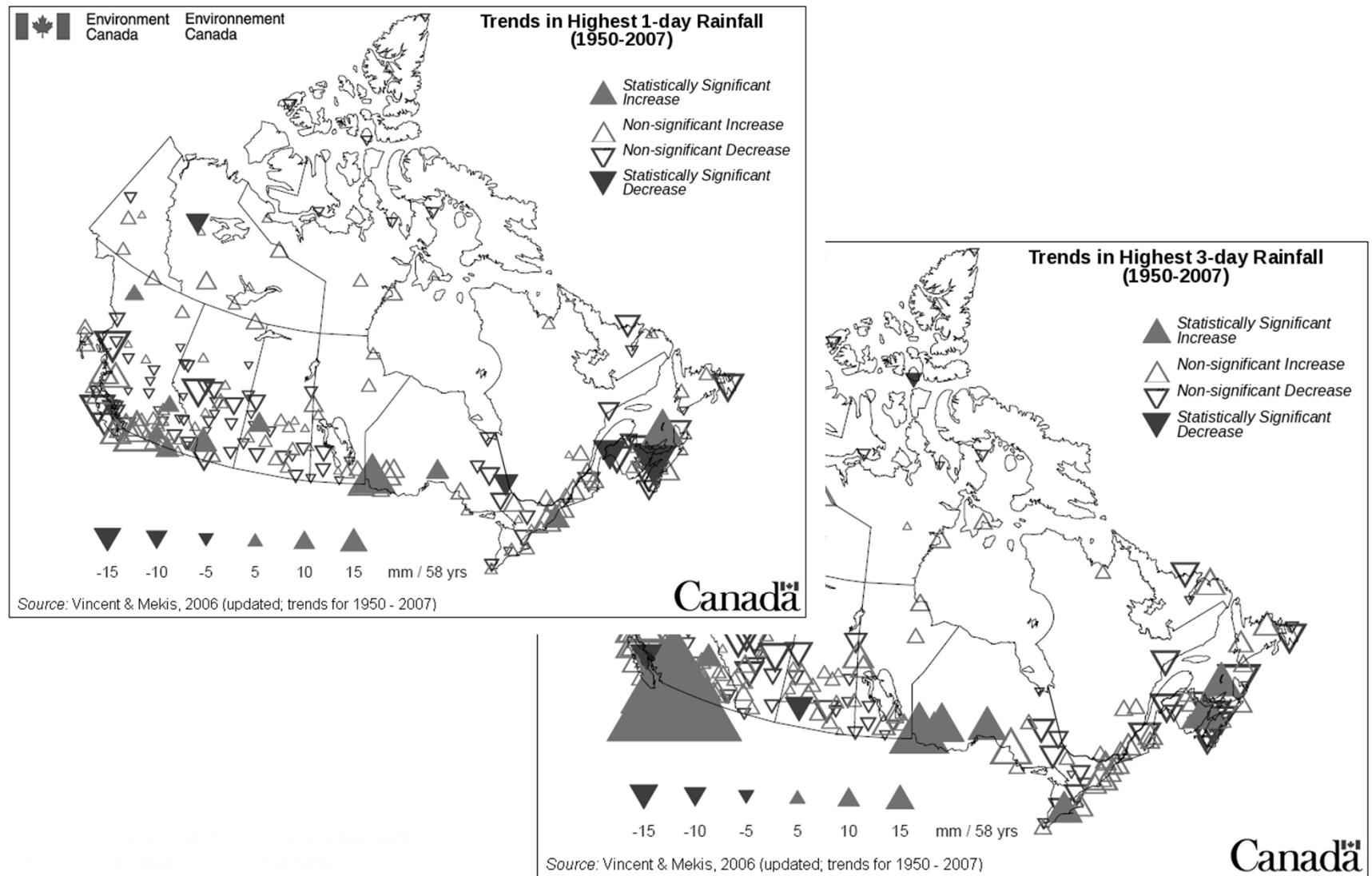
Precipitation Return Period Analysis

- Return period analysis based on long periods of record 69 to 139 years at several SW NB locations
- For many of the hardest hit areas this event exceeded the 1/100 year return period

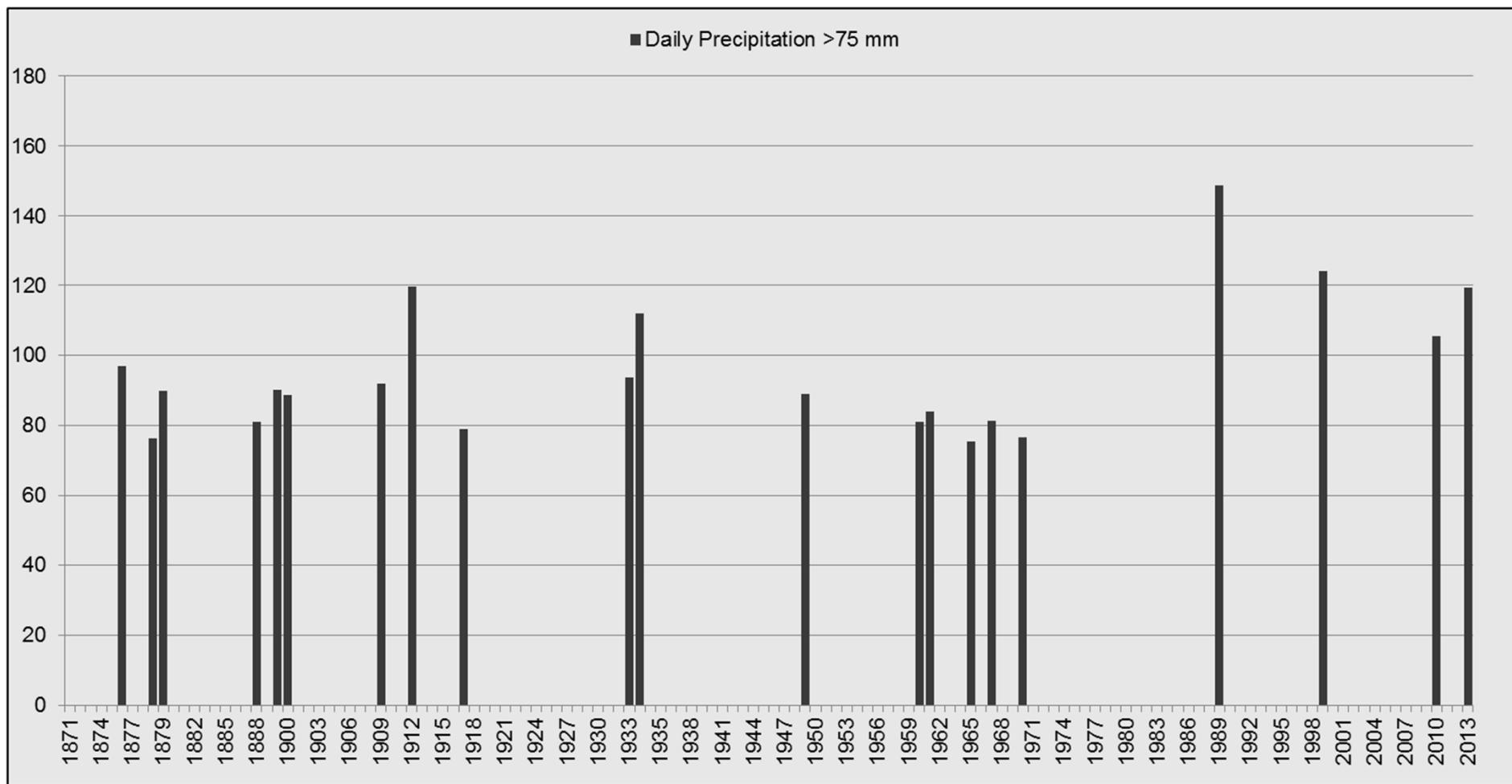
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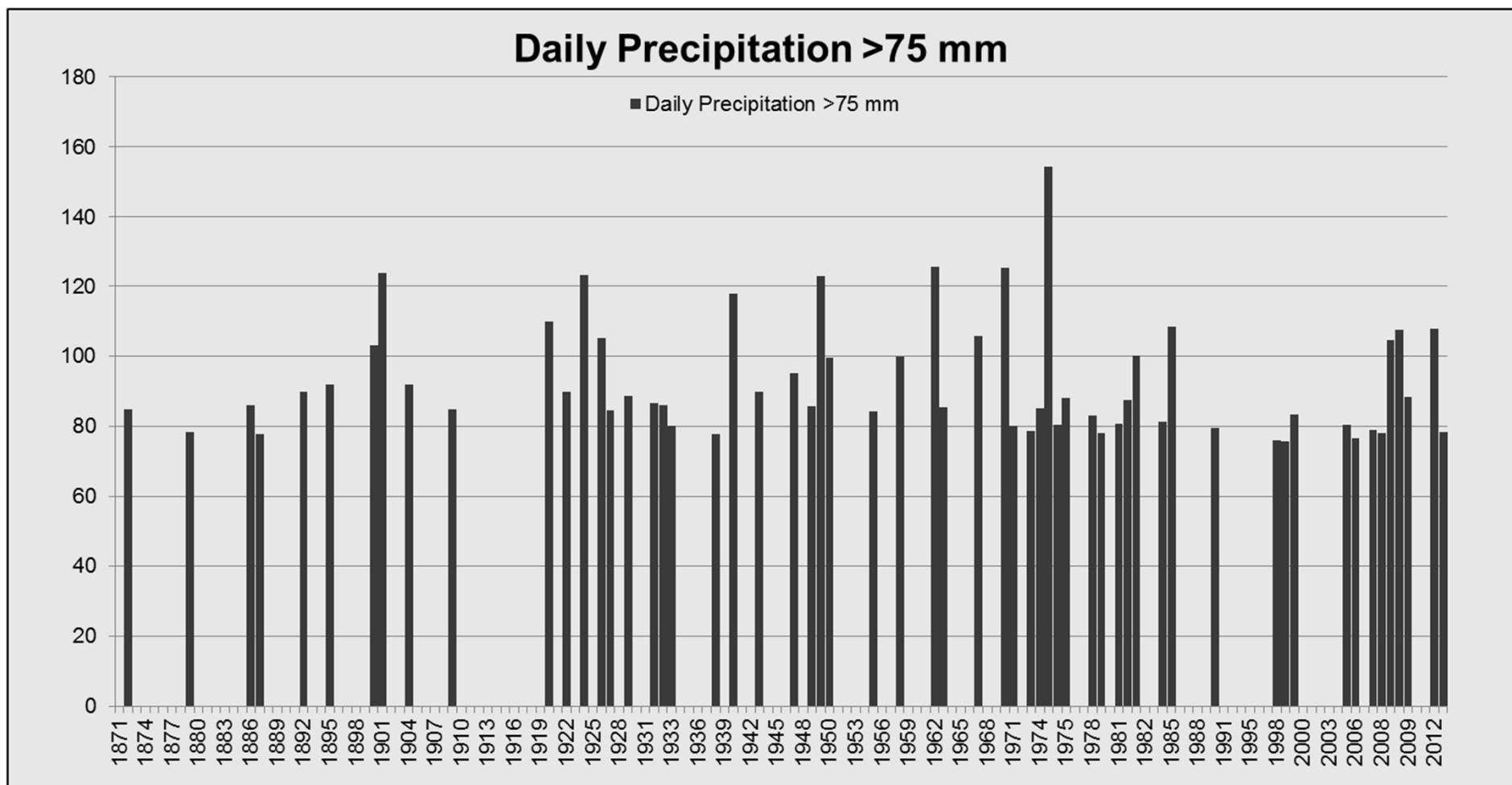
Historical Precipitation Trends



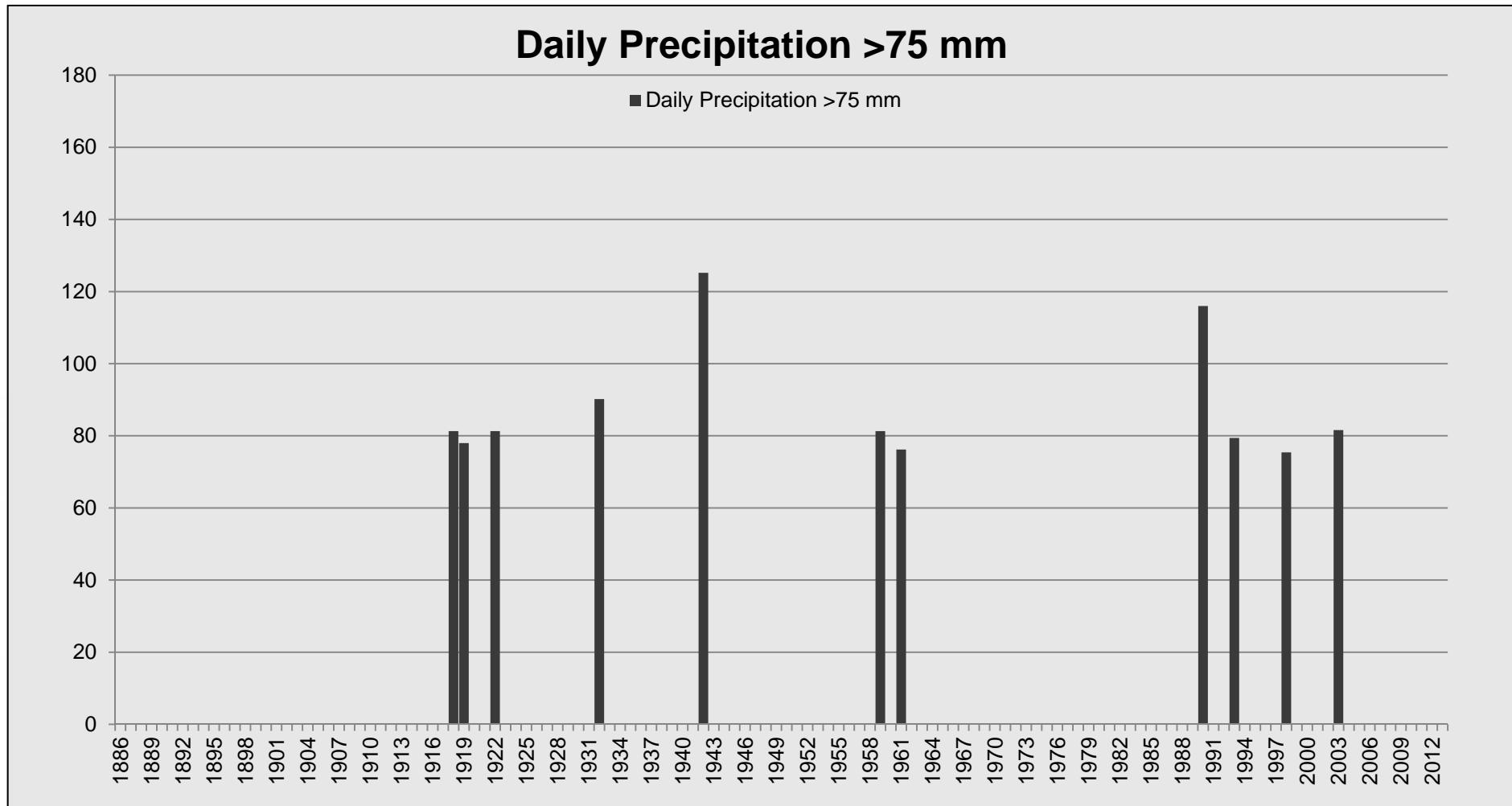
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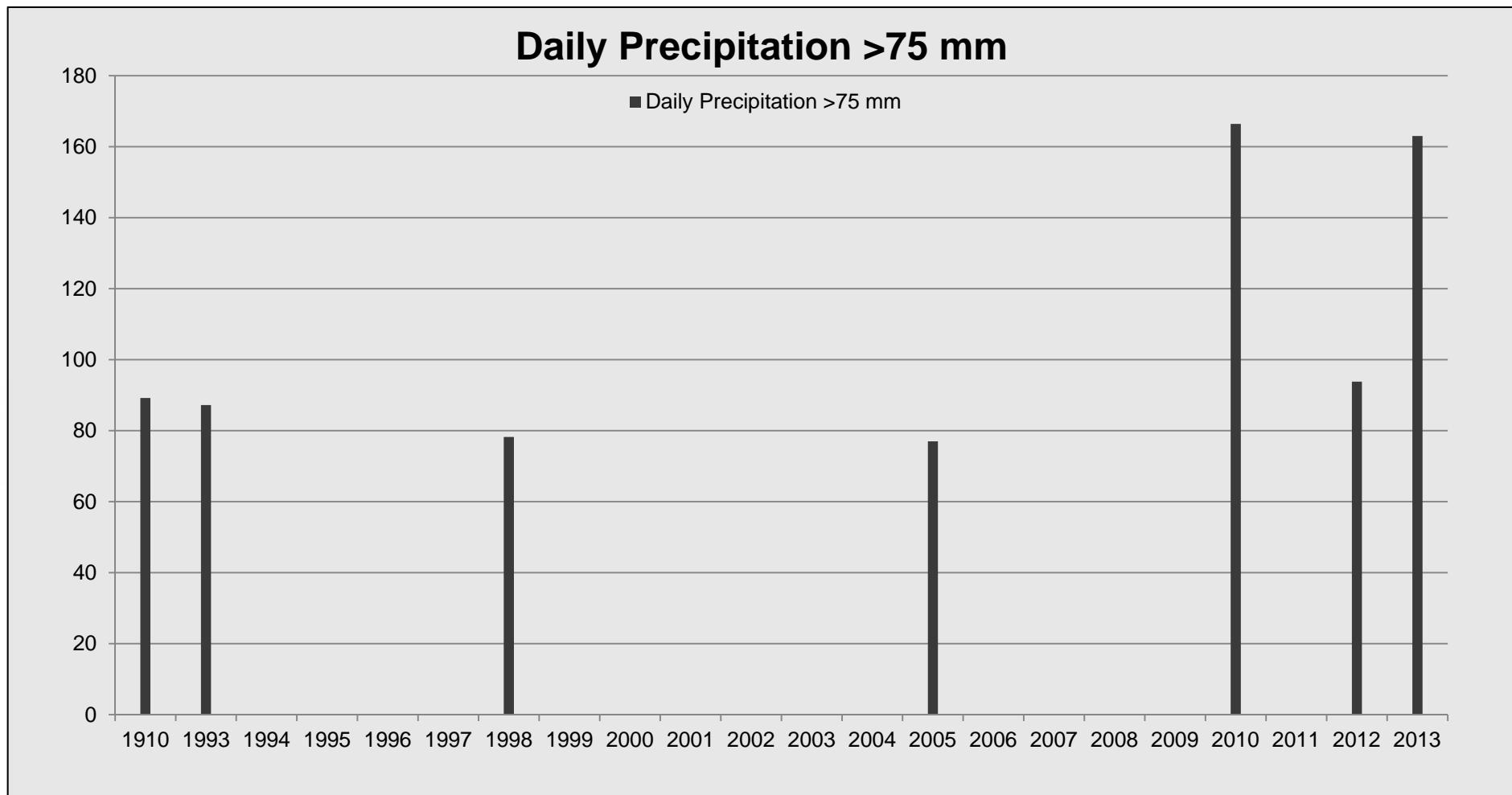
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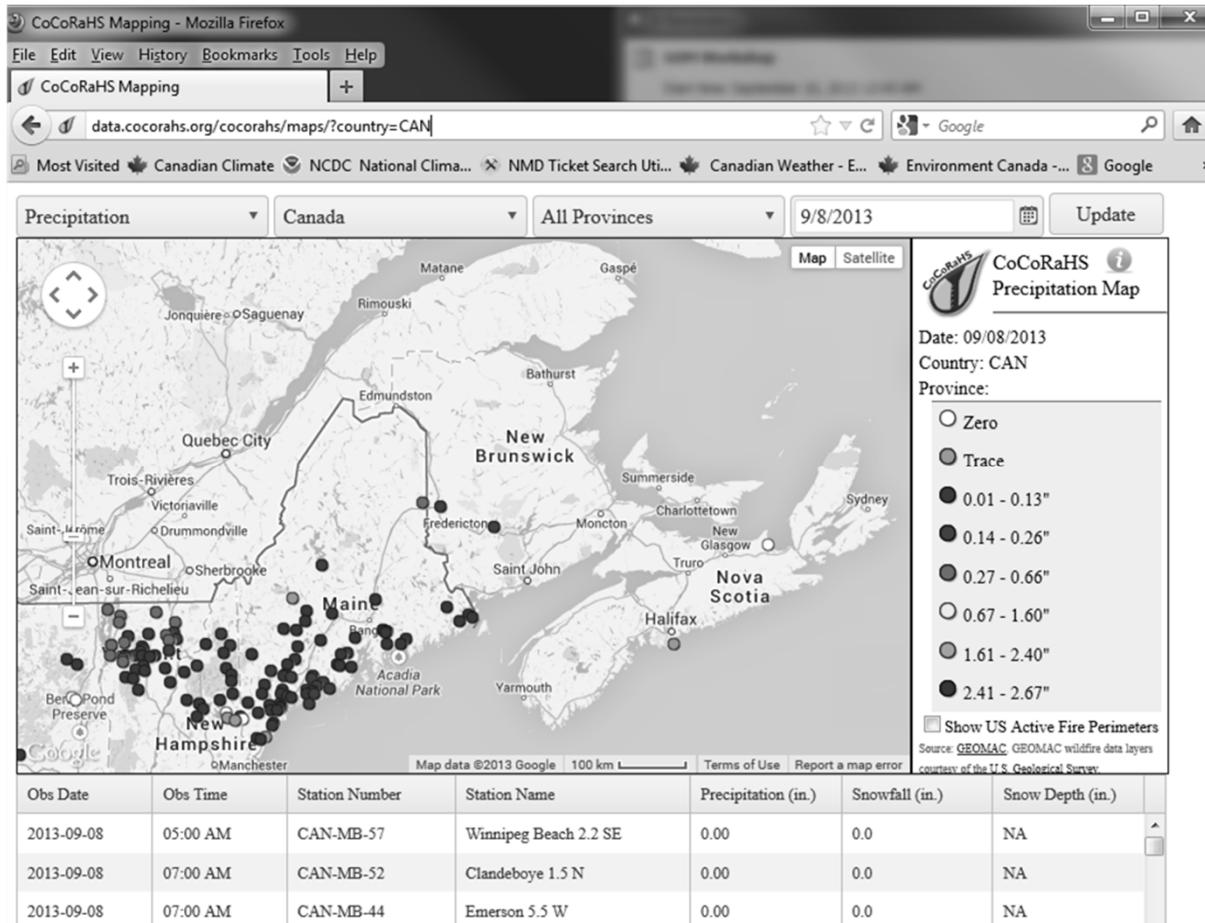


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CoCoRaHS Canada Precipitation Monitoring Initiative

(<http://www.cocorahs.org/Canada.aspx>)



- 22 new sites established in Maritimes
- Goal is 100 across all 4 provinces in next couple of months