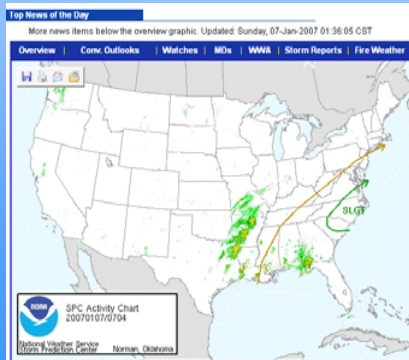


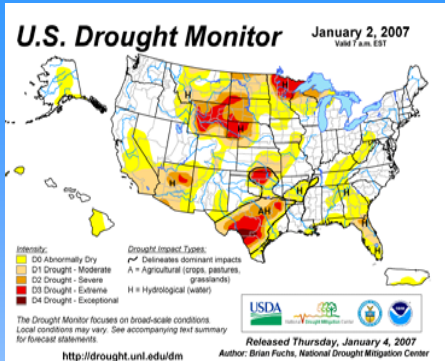
## Additional Information

Spokane National Weather Service:  
<http://www.weather.gov/spokane>

Storm Prediction Center  
<http://www.spc.noaa.gov>



U.S. Drought Monitor:  
<http://www.drought.unl.edu/dm/monitor.html>



Climate Prediction Center's  
Seasonal Outlooks:

<http://www.cpc.noaa.gov/products/forecasts/>



### Contact Information:

For additional information,  
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# NWS Spokane Spotters Network Achievement Program



Designed to increase the number of  
spotters reporting significant weather.

People and businesses across eastern  
Washington and north Idaho can  
enhance weather programs by  
supplying weather information directly  
to the National Weather Service.

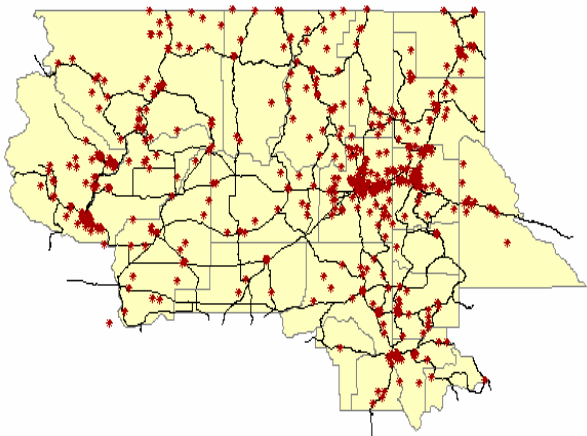


## Goal of the Program

The primary objective of the spotter network is to obtain timely and accurate reports of all types of significant weather. The National Weather Service Spokane has the responsibility for weather warnings and forecasts across much of eastern Washington and north Idaho, where a wide variety of extreme weather can occur throughout the year. Reports from volunteer spotters improve our products and services in many ways.

Due to the rural nature within much of the Inland Northwest, our current network lacks the spatial resolution necessary to cover the region. Most observers are clustered around cities and major highways, with many areas void of observers.

NWS Spokane Spotter Network  
January 2007



In order to achieve our goal, we are looking for more volunteers who are willing to call the NWS with reports of significant weather, and be willing to have their location and contact information plotted on our operational workstations so that staff may call for observations.

Being a weather spotter is a SNAP; it's easy, secure and a worthwhile job!

## How You Can Help!

### During Severe Weather:

1. **Never put yourself in danger in order to obtain a report.**
2. **Call the NWS 24-hour Hotline: 1-800-483-4532**
3. **Remember to report Who is calling, What is observed, Where, and When the event occurred.**
4. **When reporting hail size, use coins to describe hail size or measure the stones if possible.**



### During Winter Weather:

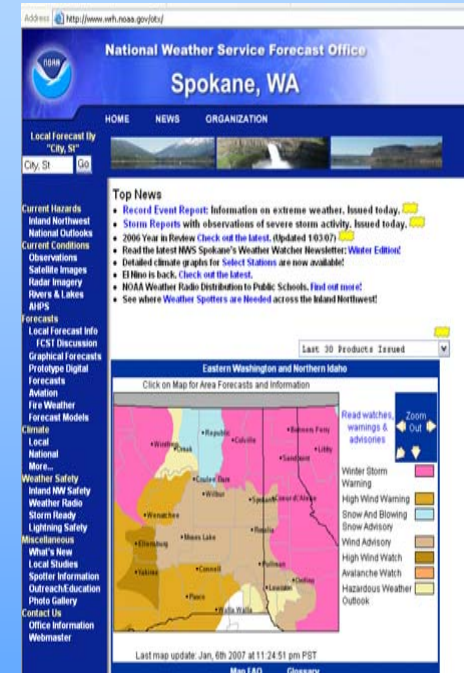
1. **Call the NWS 24-hour Hotline: 1-800-483-4532**
2. **Snow totals with start and stop times can be reported.**
3. **Report any type of frozen precipitation even if there is no accumulation, including sleet and freezing rain.**



## Keep in Touch with the National Weather Service

Monitor our website for current conditions, watches, warnings and forecasts:

<http://www.weather.gov/spokane>



### Spotter Resources are available Online

- Online training module & Schedule
- Spotter Handbook & Checklist
- Capability to send reports Online at <http://spotter.weather.gov>