Narrative Summary – November 2010

The average temperature for November 2010 was below normal, averaging 36.7°F, 3.4° below normal (40.1°F). The warmest November (1990) averaged 46.5°F; while the coolest (1985) averaged 24.8°F. The following temperature records were established during November 2010:

Date	Category	New Record	Old Record	Year
15	High Minimum	49	49	2001 and other years - Tie

Precipitation for November 2010 totaled 1.14 inch, 116% of normal (0.98 inch). The wettest November (1996) received 2.67 inches; and the driest (1976) received only a trace. There was 8.2 inches of snow recorded during November 2010, compared to a normal of 2.3 inches. November 2010 became the fifth snowiest on record. The snowiest November on record (1985) received 18.3 inches. Total precipitation for 2010 (through November) is 8.37 inches, 143% of normal (5.87 inches).

The average wind speed for November 2010 was 6.5 miles per hour (mph), which was 0.1 mph above normal (6.4 mph). The windiest November on record (1990) averaged 10.0 mph, while the November with the lightest winds (1956) averaged 2.9 mph. The peak gust for November 2010 was 55 mph on November 16. The record wind gust for November was 67 mph in 1993.

Autumn 2010 (September, October and November) averaged 52.2°F, which is 0.8° below normal (53.0°F) for the autumn months. The warmest autumn (1990) averaged 57.1°F; while the coolest (1985) averaged 44.5°F. Precipitation for autumn 2010 totaled 2.71 inches, 150% of normal (1.80 inches). The wettest autumn (1973) received 4.79 inches; and the driest (1976) received only 0.04 inch.

The monthly climatological data summaries, as well as other information, are available on the Internet. Address: http://hms.pnl.gov/

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Note: The data in this summary pertains specifically to the Hanford Meteorology Station (HMS), which is located approximately 25 miles northwest of Richland, WA. No attempt should be made to infer meteorological conditions at other locations from these data.