SUMMARY OF THE NOVEMBER 1982 WEATHER ON THE MONTEREY PENINSULA, CALIFORNIA

General: November 1982 was cool and very wet, with little fog and light winds except on storm days.

Temperature: Like the previous six months, daytime readings were subnormal (62.8°F vs 65.7°F) while nights were close to normal (46.9°F vs 47.0°F). Overall, the net for Nov is a cool 54.8°F compared to 56.3°F for the 31-year normal. High for the month, 76°F, was registered on 3 Nov while the minimum of 41°F was set in the early morn on 13 Nov.

Precipitation: The wet pattern established in Sep continued through November. 6.23" came close to the station’s November record of 6.49" in 1965, and exceeded the normal, 2.43", by a factor of 2.5. 24-hr totals on 18 and 29 Nov were 1.97" and 1.67", respectively. Only five other Nov days in the last 31 years gave amounts 1.3" or greater. The storm of 29/30 Nov, with winds in excess of 52 miles per hour, caused moderate damage to property locally and moderate to major damage statewide. Several thunderstorms passed through the area on 30 Nov, accompanied by high winds and 29.42 inches of mercury at sea level at about 3:30 a.m. 30 Nov.

Hail and thunder were also recorded on 10 Nov. There have been 10 thunderstorm days this calendar year, one less than a record of 11 in 1978 (based on thunderstorm records 1964 to date). Four to five a year are expected.

Although the Nov rain was not record setting the five-month total Jul through Nov 1982, 10.15", stands as the highest on record in the area. Closest competitor at the National Weather Service Climate Station is 8.61" in 1972. Using Forest Lake records (Cal-Am Water Co.), which date back to 1896, the closest competitor is 10.06" in 1918. Normal season amount to 30 Nov is 3.76". The annual normal is 18.97".

Fog: Only two days of fog were noted in Nov compared to an average of seven. Along with Nov 1972 this is the least number of fog days recorded in Nov (20 year record).

Wind: Winds were generally light during the month (average: 3 mph), except for gusts to 46 mph on 18 Nov and to at least 52 mph on early morn 30 Nov. The wind equipment at the National Weather Service Climate Station was blown down during the storm, so the maximum gusts may have exceeded the “52” recorded.