

## **ENCLOSURE E TO MAJOR DISASTER REQUEST**

**Rebecca Wagoner**

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**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 2:53 PM  
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**Subject:** March 15 through 27 storm series

Rebecca,

A series of severe winter storms impacted the State of California beginning Wednesday March 15 and continuing through March 27, 2011. The main weather impacts with these storms were due to extreme precipitation with low elevation heavy rain and high elevation snow. The storms also caused strong winds at times, especially in Central Valley and at the higher elevations.

These storms are properly understood as being impulses of one large severe weather system--an intense area of low pressure with a persistently active jet stream which set up over the region for two and a half weeks. As impulses moved through this larger system, storm elements impacted different parts of the state at various times. The time spacing between these storm elements is difficult to pin down, but there was virtually no day during the period when some part of the state was not experiencing severe weather due to the overall system.

Please feel free to contact me if you require further information about this very significant severe storm series.

Sincerely,  
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