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PRESS RELEASE

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SKYWARN TRAINING Granby CT – May 9, 2011

The National Weather Service (NWS) will be sponsoring a severe weather spotter training session, part of its SKYWARN program, in Granby CT. The class will be on Monday May 9th, 2011 from 7 PM to approximately 10 PM. It will be held at the Granby Senior Center, 15 North Granby Road, in Granby CT.

The session is open to the public at no charge. Amateur Radio Operators are encouraged to attend. Also, Emergency managers, police, fire, and other first responders are also encouraged to attend. Everyone age 16 and older who stays to complete the training will be able to become trained NWS weather spotters.

The training session includes a two-hour thirty-minute computer-based presentation, which discusses the development of thunderstorms, the criteria for “severe” thunderstorms, as well as the cloud features associated with severe thunderstorms and tornadoes. Additional information will be presented about winter storms and proper snow measurement. The session will also present the procedure for reporting weather information to the National Weather Service. Anyone attending should bring a pen or pencil and bringing a notebook is optional.

No preregistration is required. If you have any questions about this training session, please contact Joe Killen, town of Granby Fire Marhsal at 860-844-5321 during normal business hours. For any questions on the SKYWARN program, please contact Rob Macedo via email at kd1cy@comcast.net