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Student Chapter of the
American Meteorological Society at UCI

4th Annual
**FORECAST
CHALLENGE**

Think you know how much rain will fall in Irvine this winter? Test out your skills by forecasting the winter (Dec., Jan., Feb.) cumulative precipitation for Orange County in our zotCAMS Forecast Challenge!

Details: Forecasts are \$5 per entry. The winner is whoever most closely predicts winter (December, January, February) cumulative precipitation. The winner will receive half of the funds raised (and bragging rights), and the other half will support zotCAMS: The Student Chapter of the American Meteorological Society at UCI.

Rules: Maximum of 3 forecast entries per person. Participants are not limited to UCI students. **Forecasts are valid if entry AND payment are both received by Dec. 3, 2020 11:59pm PST.** Winner will be announced March 2021. The official measurement used for the contest is the Monthly Weather Summary (CLM) at John Wayne Airport.

Previous data can be viewed at <http://w2.weather.gov/climate/index.php?wfo=sgx> Click 1. Product: Monthly Weather Summary (CLM), 2. Location: John Wayne Airport, 3. Timeframe: pick month you want to view, 4: View: Click "Go".

To Enter: Entries **must** be sent via email to zotcams@uci.edu with email title "Forecast Challenge Entry". In the email, include your **full name, email address, and forecast in inches**. All numbers without units will be (deeply frowned upon and) assumed to be in inches. After we receive your entry, payment options will be sent to you via response email. Payment must be made to Zach Wolff by Dec. 3, 2019 for valid entry.

Other resources:

NWS Climate Prediction Center: <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/> El Niño & La Niña information: <https://www.climate.gov/enso>
<https://sites.uci.edu/zotcams/2017/11/28/zotcams-forecast-challenge/>