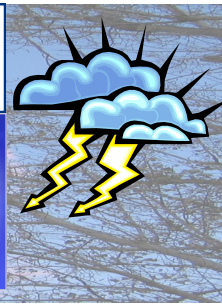




FROM THE AIR PROGRAM



Storm Spotters Training



On June 7th, Warning Coordination Meteorologist Dan Berc from the National Weather Service (NWS) Las Vegas came to Bishop as part of a regional training tour. The Bishop Tribe hosted another year of Storm Spotters training for local weather enthusiasts. The training was held in the Tribal Chambers and about 15 people attended. One of the purposes of the training is to become a registered Storm Spotter who reports severe weather to the NWS. It is known that Bishop is in a blank spot for radar and on-the-ground observations are often used in issuing warnings in our forecast area. The



training also is for people to learn about what kind of severe weather we get locally and how to identify them, just for personal knowledge and for safety when people are doing their outside activities. Extreme weather that occurs in the Owens Valley includes high winds, extreme heat, flash floods, hail storms, lightning storms, funnel clouds, and though rare, even small tornadoes have been captured on camera! We hope to provide another training in fall 2018 or early 2019. Anyone interested can ask more about it and receive invites, call the Air Program at 760-784-9308.