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Severe Weather Plans

McCart and Burnside Diamonds

- ◆ Each night/day games are scheduled the President, or his designee, will check the weather forecast for the timeframe games will be played.
- ◆ The President, Umpire in Charge (UIC), and board members present at the fields will be in contact (portable radios) with each other throughout the games.
- ◆ The above mentioned will monitor the surrounding skies, local radio stations and TV stations for changing weather conditions. We also will contact the National Weather Service
- ◆ Our policy for canceling games is that we will only cancel games if:
 - Lightning is close by (within an approx. 1-5 mile proximity)
 - Rain is at a complete downpour (for an extended period)
 - It has been raining for an extended period prior to game time. Play/cancel is determined by a tour of the diamonds by the UIC and the President. (Standing water on the infield or outfield)
 - Wind conditions

** A temporary halt of games may be done if above conditions will move through the area within 15 minutes to 1 hour. Any timeframe beyond that will warrant a complete cancel of the night's games.

- ◆ If the threatening weather warrants a cancel/halt of games, the Board members and other designees (Umpires) will visit with each team present to inform them of the situation (and most likely send the teams home).
- ◆ In the event that weather changes come upon the diamonds suddenly, we have air horns, at each diamond, to signal the halting of games. (We will be revising policy to incorporate these air horns into utilizing them for signaling halting/cancel of games vs. the individual visit to each team. We need to work on the signals and get the new plans out to the coaches/spectators.)
- ◆ In the event of an extreme sudden tornado threat, we might be able to move into the Canaries Stadium, Arena/Convention Center, or Moose Lodge building for immediate shelter. This will only be used in an extreme emergency situation.

These plans will be reviewed annually by the YSSA Board for improvements.