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### A Web site for those worried about Green River flooding

There's a new Web [site](#) that will have real-time figures for rainfall that could force release of water from behind the Howard Hanson Dam and flood the Green River Valley.

Karin Bumbaco, deputy state climatologist and research scientist at the Joint Institute for the Study of the Atmosphere and Ocean at the University of Washington, is responsible for the Web site.

Heavy rains last winter damaged the dam. So it might have to release large amounts of water this fall and winter, flooding such downstream locations as Auburn and Kent.

The UW said in a news release that the Web site will plot real-time precipitation data from two recording sites, along with data for accumulated precipitation during the water year that began Oct. 1, and provide comparisons to the 30-year average compiled from 1971-2000.

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