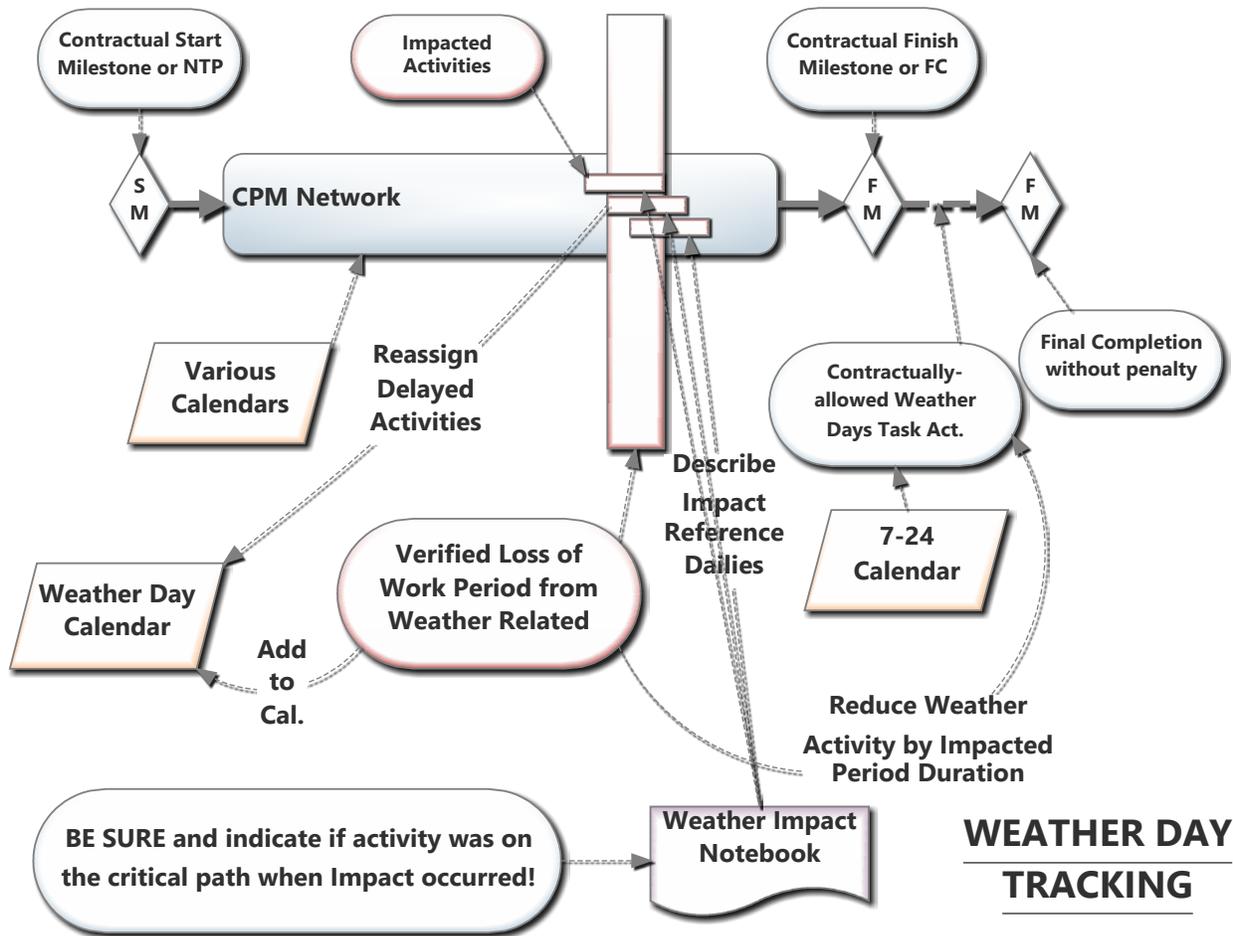


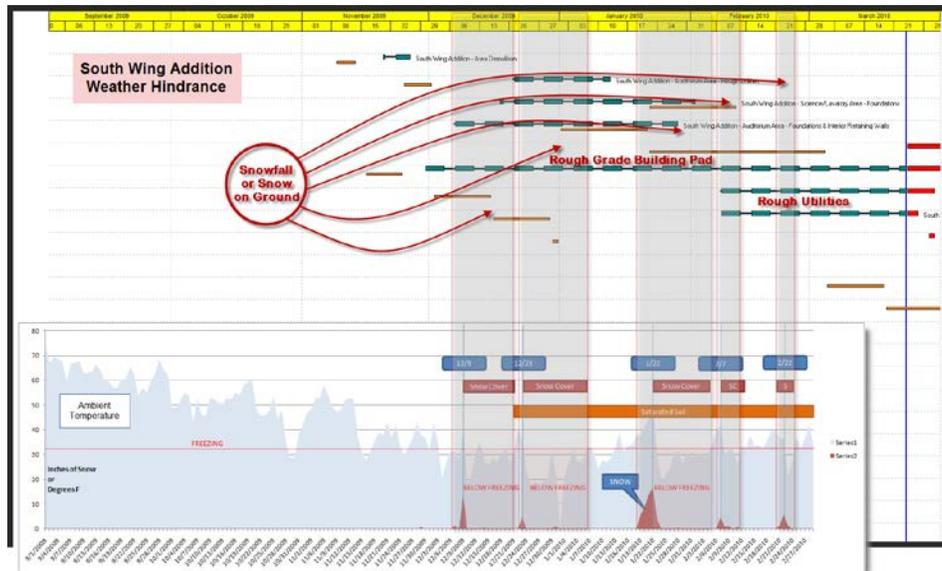
# Keeping Track of Weather Delays and Impacts in your Contract Schedule

Most often, your contract will allot a certain number of weather days you can use that are considered excusable non-compensable. Some specifications even try to tell you to track these weather days. Many specifications will ask you to bury these weather days into scope activities in various ways; ridiculous. Any way that asks you to make crystal ball activity selections to bury your weather delays is very wrong. This might be acceptable if the critical path never changes and you had applied the weather days on only critical activities. But, then why should we not do it the right way? Here is a way to track weather days and be sure they are always affecting the current critical path.

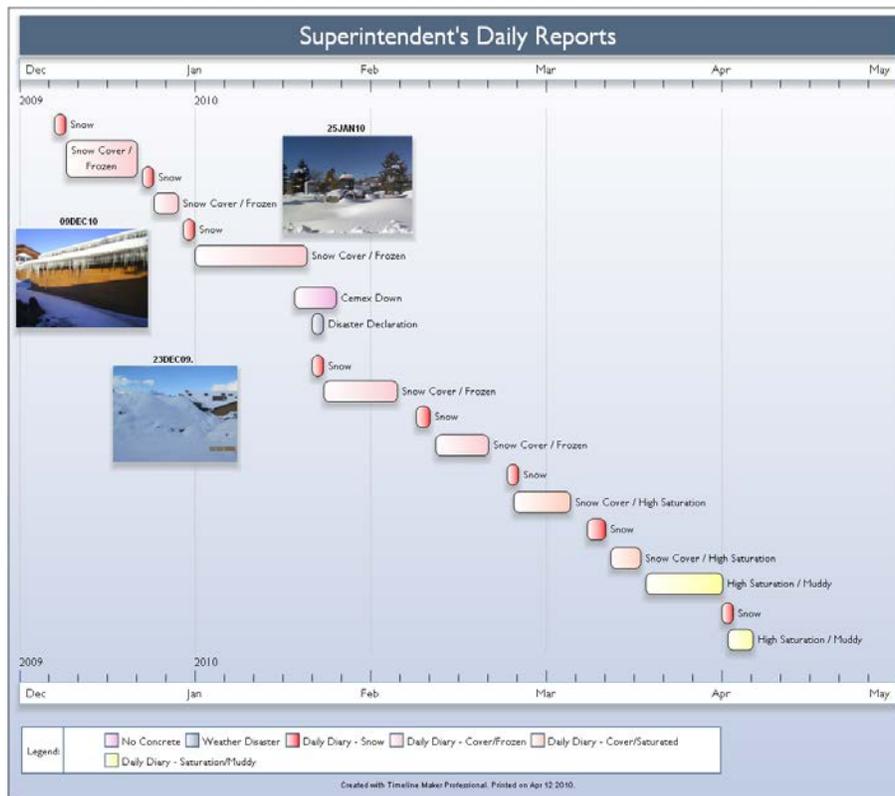


This is when accurate daily reports become critical. You can get snow/rain amounts from the National Weather Service that was collected at an established record station somewhere near your construction site. This is great supporting evidence, but often does not accurately represent what the true conditions were at your construction site. This is when well identified and dated photos become critical to support the words in

your daily reports. Your reports must tell what did happen, what effect the weather had on that work, what was planned to happen and did not because of the weather. This information can be tallied and plotted against your updated schedule to tell the story. Example below:



To further enhance the chart above, you can use your photos to provide physical evidence of the severity. Be sure that the photos were in the areas of ongoing and planned work. Below is one example:



It never hurts to also provide the same information in a textual format:

Date/Day of Wk	Rpt. Number	Temperature	Sky	Wind	Precipitation	Project Impact
 <span style="float: right;">Date: 4/7/2010 Page: 2 of 18</span>						
<b>Flagstaff High School Remodel</b>						
<b>WEATHER RECAP</b>						
11/23/2009	Monday	00007				
	PERIOD 1	0700	HIGH 20	Prt Cloudy	None	
	PERIOD 2	1200	HIGH 60	Clear	None	
	PERIOD 3	500	HIGH 60		None	
	GENERAL DAILY WEATHER NOTES: good					
	WEATHER-CREATED SITE CONDITIONS: clear					
	<b>PROBLEM NOTES:</b>					
	incountered additional buried footings					
11/24/2009	Tuesday	00008				
	PERIOD 1	7:00 a.m.	LOW 20	Prt Cloudy	00-10	None Other
	PERIOD 2	12:00	HIGH 50	Prt Cloudy	10-20	None
	PERIOD 3					
	GENERAL DAILY WEATHER NOTES:					
	WEATHER-CREATED SITE CONDITIONS: Good but dusty					
	<b>PROBLEM NOTES:</b>					
11/25/2009	Wednesday	00009				
	PERIOD 1	7:00 a.m.	LOW 20	Prt Cloudy	00-10	None Other
	PERIOD 2	12:00	HIGH 50	Prt Cloudy	10-20	None
	PERIOD 3					
	GENERAL DAILY WEATHER NOTES:					
	WEATHER-CREATED SITE CONDITIONS: Good, but windy today					
	<b>PROBLEM NOTES:</b>					
	Sewer and water pipe which were broken yesterday are being repaired. Many people from school and Heery here observing.					
11/30/2009	Monday	00010				
	PERIOD 1					
	PERIOD 2					
	PERIOD 3					
	GENERAL DAILY WEATHER NOTES:					
	WEATHER-CREATED SITE CONDITIONS: Ground frozen some snow					
	<b>PROBLEM NOTES:</b>					
	Sewer and water pipe which were broken yesterday are being repaired. Many people from school and Heery here observing.					

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