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FROM 1981-1990

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## DEFINITIONS OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

in Appendices, Graphs and Tables

## Factors:

W/D.....Wind direction from 0 to 360 degrees.

W/S.....Wind speed in miles per hour.

W/S(M).....Maximum wind speed in miles per hour.

W/S(A).....Average wind speed in miles per hour.

PPT.....Precipitation in inches.

PPT(M).....Maximum precipitation in inches.

PPT(T).....Total precipitation in inches.

## Stations:

A.....Astoria

N.....Newport

C.....Cape Blanco

## Months:

1.....January

2.....February

3.....March

12.....December

## ABSTRACT

The purpose of this paper is to identify significant storm events occurring over a ten year period along the Oregon coast. The findings will be used in a larger research framework to build an information base that looks into the role of climatic forcing on coastal erosion and sediment transport processes. The work involved analysis of climatic data for a ten year period (1981-1990) during the months of December, January, February and March. The climatic factors considered most relevant to characterizing storm activity on the Oregon coast were: wind direction, wind speed and precipitation. The data was collected from documents and computer records at weather stations in Astoria, Newport and Cape Blanco. Tables and graphs were produced following arithmetic calculations. The data was manipulated to show daily, monthly and yearly storm distribution. Storm occurrence was plotted by time and location. A relationship of greater storm frequency was observed with 1982-1983 ENSO climatic events. Results showed that the greatest storm magnitude was found during the winter of 1982-1983. The prevailing wind direction during most winter storms was southerly. In addition to the winter 1982-1983 storm period, two other major storm periods were identified over the ten year study period. January 1990 appeared to be a major storm period at all three stations. When the three stations were compared, Cape Blanco had the most intensive storm activity over the ten year period.

## INTRODUCTION

The Oregon coast is a region approximately 429 miles in length, located from 42 to 46 degrees north latitude and is typified by a climate characterized by mild winters and cool summers. Unstable winter air masses bring considerable rain to the narrow littoral zones, and increases with elevation inland from the coast. The difference in precipitation found within a few kilometers of the coast is much greater than that found along the entire length of the Oregon coast (Loy et al., 1976). Differences in precipitation along the length of the coast have been ascribed to storm tracks rather than latitude. Winter storms on the coast are typified by high wind speed and heavy precipitation.

Sediment movement and erosional changes resulting from climatic forcing events have been researched by Jackson and Rosenfeld (1987) and Peterson, Jackson et al. (1990). Peterson, Jackson et al. (1990) found that beach sand displacement was due to latitudinal shifts in winter storm patterns. Furthermore, the northward displacement of sand observed in 1983 along portions of the Oregon coast, may have been related to particular wind patterns and wind directions. The 1982-1983 northward displacement of beach sand appeared not to be linked to a single climatic event, but rather to a general anomalous climatic condition prevailing over the entire winter season. The climatic factors associated with this condition, wind direction and wind speed, have greatest effect

on wave energy, angle of wave attack and change in sea level (Peterson, Jackson et al. 1990). Maximum interannual longshore transport between 1982 and 1987 was primarily forced by maximum winter storm events. A coincidence of large storms with spring tides can contribute to elevated sea levels, possibly resulting in increased offshore transport.

Research has been done to explore the relationship between the occurrence of El Nino and climate forcing. The El Nino Southern Oscillation (ENSO), which occurred from April 1982 to July 1983, had three major effects: 1) a rise in sea level, 2) a bulge of warm water along the coastline, and 3) higher energy storm wave conditions and increased winter storm frequency (Komar,1986).

This study is an extension of the work conducted by Jackson and Rosenfeld (1987) and Peterson, Jackson et al. (1990), related to climatic forcing along the Oregon coast. Previous research suggested that interannual climatic forcing was responsible for patterns of coastal erosion and deposition. However, a detailed analysis of specific storm patterns along the Oregon coast in relation to erosion and deposition has not been conducted.

## OBJECTIVES

My research project analyzes the nature of winter storms over a ten year period (1981-1990) using wind direction, wind speed and precipitation as storm criteria. The project describes the nature, pattern, and sequence of winter storm

occurrence on coastal Oregon, using available selected climatic data. Specifically, the project's goals were: 1) to define the frequency, characteristics and location of winter storms, from 1981 to 1990, based on data from three weather stations, 2) to examine major storm event frequency per year using pre-selected threshold levels for wind speed, wind direction and precipitation, and 3) to determine the relationship of these storm events to the occurrence of the 1982-83 El Nino events.

## RESEARCH AREA

Peterson, Jackson et al. (1990) selected an area of the central Oregon coast extending south from Yaquina Head to Cape Perpetua. The study area for this project involves three stations: Astoria, Newport and Cape Blanco. These stations were chosen for two specific reasons. First, they represent equally distributed points along the coastline, and secondly, the stations had data available for the ten year period of interest. Astoria, the most northerly station is located at latitude  $46^{\circ}9'N$ , longitude  $123^{\circ}53'W$  and is at an elevation of 8 feet. Newport, the centrally located station, is at latitude  $44^{\circ}35'N$ , longitude  $124^{\circ}3'W$  and an elevation of 140 feet. Precipitation data for Cape Blanco, the third station, was provided by the nearest weather station, at Port Orford, five miles to the north. The location of Port Orford is  $42^{\circ}45'N$  and  $124^{\circ}30'W$  and the elevation at this location is 30 feet.

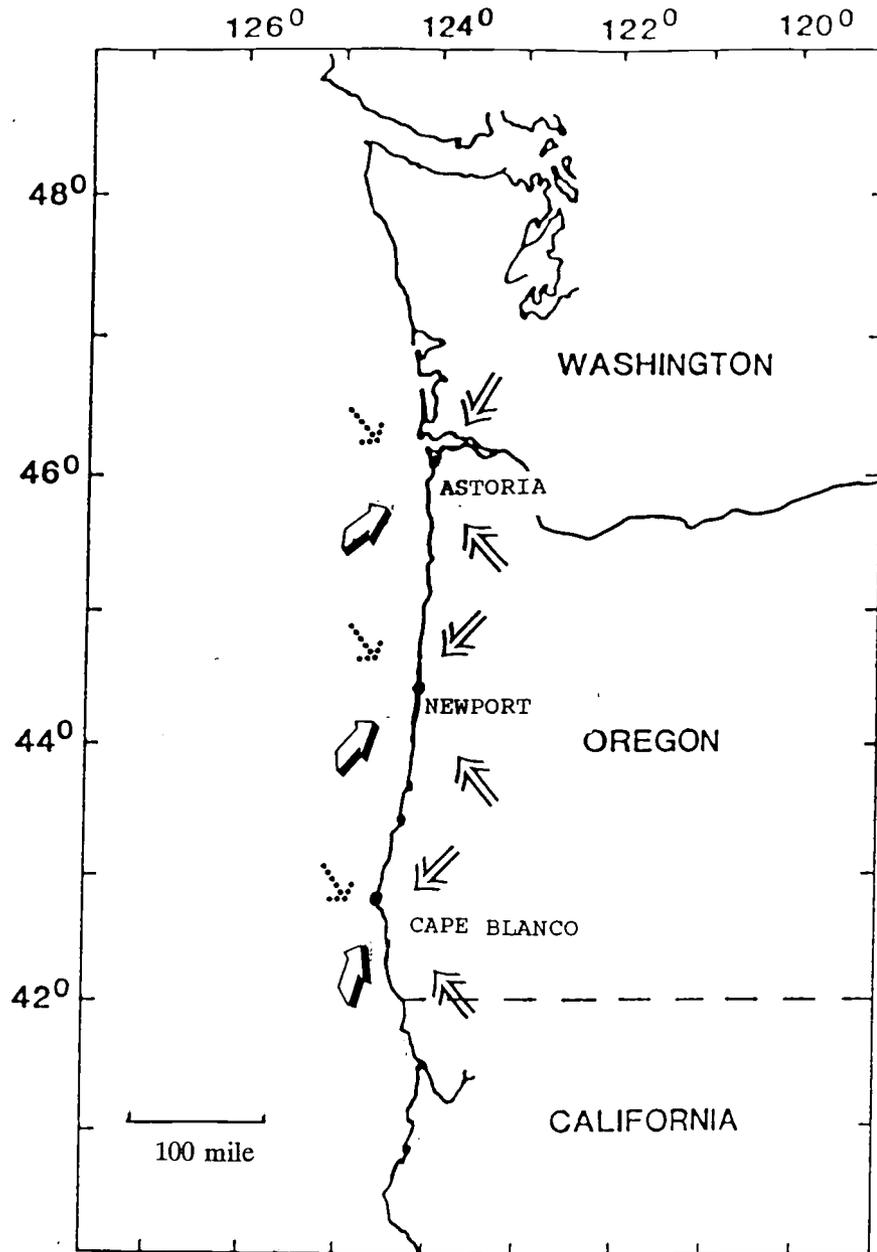


Figure 1. Location of study stations related to winter prevailing wind pattern during winter months on the Oregon coast.

#### Legend

- 3-dimensional Arrow: Prevailing wind direction during storm period
- Single Dimensional Arrow: Prevailing wind direction before and after storm period
- Dotted Arrow: Secondary wind direction after storm period

## METHODS

The methods used in this project can be classified into the acquisition, compilation and graphic display of climatic data from the selected weather stations. Another aspect of the research involved the selection of criteria for defining winter storm events. Finally, certain analytical arithmetic steps were necessary to convert data to a form useful to meet the objectives of the project.

### Data Acquisition

Climate data for the Astoria station was compiled from National Weather Service (NOAA) Local Climatological Data summaries. Newport climate data came from two sources. The Newport airport supplied Federal Aviation Administration wind speed and wind direction information. Precipitation data came from the National Weather Service (NOAA) Local Climatological Data summaries. Data for Cape Blanco came from two sources: Bonneville Power Administration supplied wind direction and wind speed information from its Cape Blanco Anemometer arrays, and precipitation data came from the nearby Port Orford weather station.

### Selection Criteria

Pertinent data on storm occurrence was taken from the available climate records. Storms were defined according to three factors: wind direction, wind

speed and precipitation. These factors were first expressed as daily averages. Specific storm characteristics were defined as daily average wind speed over 15 mph during a 48 hour period, and daily precipitation over one inch. Statistical analyses was used to select major storm events according to these criteria. "Significant storms" were identified as those events with a statistical ranking greater than one standard deviation above the "average" events for the study period.

#### Compilation of Data

Data tables were constructed for daily average wind speed and total daily precipitation as well as daily prevailing wind direction. Further tables were compiled for major storm events. For the tables of storm events, for each winter season, all storms were treated with equal weight regardless of storm duration. These tables portray maximum wind speed and maximum precipitation records for significant storm events. From the tables, a series of graphic representations were made. In order to produce both the tables and figures, the computer programs Quattro-Pro and Lotus 123 were used. Graphs were produced based on three sets of data: 1) daily distribution of average wind direction, average wind speed and total daily precipitation, 2) distribution of storm events for the winter season of each year from 1981 to 1990, and 3) Comparison of storm events among the three selected stations over time.

Comparisons were observed between storm occurrence frequency and station location. The frequency of winter storms per year was calculated from 1981 to 1990.

**Table Construction:** Appendix 1 contains basic climatic data, while subsequent appendices and tables are derived from information presented in previous tables or appendices. The tables provide general information about storm factors related to time and geographic location, as well as data covering storm sequences in relation to occurrence and location. The period of study consists only of the winter months, December, January, February and March. Appendix 1 consists of average daily distribution of wind direction, wind speed and precipitation for the three stations during the winter period 1981 to 1990. This table was used to plot the monthly frequency of individual storms during the study period.

Appendix 2 depicts storm wind direction, wind speed and precipitation daily averages. Appendix 2 is based on the data contained in Appendix 1, and gives the duration of individual storms for the three stations during the study period.

Appendix 3 depicts storm events for the three stations. The factors involved were maximum wind speed and maximum precipitation for the storm period. In addition, the appendix contains the wind direction that was most prevalent during maximum wind speed. For the study period, the number of storm events and the character of individual events can be found.

Appendix 4 is a summary of previous appendices. The data involves maximum wind speed and wind direction during maximum wind speed, as well as maximum precipitation. It contains monthly and yearly distribution of storm events for individual stations. The duration of storms, maximum wind speed and maximum precipitation for individual months and individual years are also included.

Table 1 summarizes the distribution of storm events by month and year, based on Appendices 1 through 4. It is concerned with monthly and yearly storm duration and extreme ranges in data. The data involves the total storm duration by month and year, maximum wind speed and precipitation amount by month, year and date of occurrence. In addition, the table gives the station location where maximum wind speed and maximum precipitation occurred by month and year. The wind direction for the maximum wind speed is also recorded.

Table 2 gives monthly total storm-days and monthly total precipitation for the storm days. The table also contains average wind speed for the monthly total storm days. The table compares the magnitude of the storm by month. The criteria for monthly storm magnitude was defined by the storm duration, average wind speed and total amount of precipitation. According to the table, average wind speed is not always an appropriate indicator of the size of storms. Maximum wind speed is a more suitable indicator and can be examined in the previous appendix and table. Wind direction is another very important indicator of major

storm events. The analysis of wind direction is shown in Appendix 5 and Tables 4 through 8.

Table 3 has been constructed in the same style as Table 2, but is a yearly data summary, rather than monthly. The table describes the yearly variation in storms by comparing total number of storm days, total precipitation and average wind speed during the storm events. The limitations of the criteria chosen to describe the yearly summary are the same as those outlined in Table 2. Graphic displays were also made for both Table 2 and Table 3.

Appendix 5 describes change in wind direction for individual storms. This was done by listing all storm events and determining the wind direction at the beginning and end of each storm, in order to discern if a recurring pattern characterized a series of storms. The appendix contains wind direction and maximum wind speed, the maximum wind speed during the storm period, and the date and station location of maximum wind speed occurrence.

Table 4 is the summary of Appendix 5. It can be used to determine wind direction patterns for the three stations. It summarizes prevailing wind direction prior to, during and after storm events. Wind direction at maximum wind speed during storm events has also been supplied. The data is based on the total ten year interval over the four month winter season.

Tables 5 through 8 contain data on prevailing wind directions at various times as related to storm events .

**Graphics Construction:** The graphics represent three major types of information: wind direction, wind speed and precipitation for the four winter months over the 1981 to 1990 period, and by station location. Two graphic series were plotted, based on data in the appendices and tables, and are included in their respective appendix. The first graphic series, based on Appendix 1, shows the daily distribution of wind direction, average wind speed and average precipitation over 10 years for the three stations. These graphs were used as the foundation for defining storms. The second graphic series is a representation of Appendix 3 and Appendix 4. These graphs describe the climatic factors of wind direction, wind speed and precipitation for each individual storm. Maximum wind speed and maximum precipitation during the storm period and wind direction at maximum wind speed were chosen to represent the storm events for each winter season. Figure 2 is a representation of Table 2, containing monthly storm days, total precipitation and average wind speed. This figure shows the difference in magnitude of monthly storms. Figure 3 is based on Table 3 and has the same structure as Figure 2. Figure 3 is a yearly data comparison from winter 1981 to 1990 for the three selected stations. The yearly difference in storm magnitude can be seen clearly here.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This project describes the basic character of winter storm events at the three selected stations. Since the project involved the analysis of a large data

base, the results can only be described here in summary. Detailed results are contained in Appendices 1 through 4, Tables 1 through 8 and Figures 2 and 3.

Appendix 1 describes daily storm data, including daily average wind speed, prevailing wind direction and daily average precipitation. Storm events were defined based on Appendix 1.

Appendix 2 gives the daily storm data and provides the foundation for Appendix 3. Appendix 3 describes individual storm events, the storm duration, prevailing wind direction, maximum wind speed, the date of occurrence, and maximum precipitation during the study period.

Results based on Appendix 3 show that from January 1981 to December 1990 there were 66 storm events for the station at Cape Blanco. However, there was incomplete wind data for 10 months at Cape Blanco. As a result, storm occurrence may have been more frequent than the number of storm events suggested by the data. Cape Blanco had 268 storm days during this period. For the station at Astoria, there were 64 storm events for the period January 1981 to December 1990. Astoria had 245 storm days during this period. The Newport station recorded 73 storm events for the period of study. Only precipitation for 1987 is missing for this station. Newport had 293 storm days over the ten year period. In general, the number of storm events and the number of storm days are similar for the three stations. It appears therefore, that there was an equal chance for storm occurrence within the study period. Most storm events probably cover the coast in its entirety. The date of storm occurrence and location of

monthly greatest wind speed, wind direction and precipitation are summarized in Table 1. For example, on January 25, 1982, the greatest wind speed, 53.3 mph, occurred at Cape Blanco. The greatest precipitation in January 1982 was 2.16 inches. This occurred on January 5th at Newport. During 1982-1983 winter, the greatest wind speed, 56.4 mph, occurred on February 11th at Cape Blanco. The greatest precipitation, 2.58 inches, occurred on December 3rd at Astoria. It is possible from Table 5 to determine the duration of the storm period by month and year for all stations, as well as the storm duration in relation to month, year and station location. The longest cumulative storm duration, by month, for all three stations was 44 days. This period occurred in January 1987. The table also provides the individual month and year for the most significant storm determined by the criteria of storm duration, wind speed and precipitation. Those years with reduced numbers or no storms are also given. In January 1985, there were no storms according to the chosen criteria and the available data for the selected stations. During the decade, the highest wind speed was 72 mph, with a 170° wind direction. This phenomenon occurred on January 31, 1987 at Cape Blanco. The greatest precipitation was 7.53 inches on December 23, 1987 at the same station.

From previous climatic forcing research on the Oregon coast, it was found that storms are related to other natural events such as sand displacement and El Nino. The coincidence of severe storms, the 1982-1983 northward sand

Table 1. Distribution of Storm Days by Month and Year

Year	Month	Days	W/D	W/S (M)	Date	Statio	PPT (M)	Date	Station	Yearly days
81	1	4	10	13.5	6	C	1.71	6	C	38
	2	22	22	42.8	18	C	1.93	15	A	
	3	12	19	22.8	14	C	1.4	14	C	
81-82	12	14	21	18.5	15	A	3.94	5	N	78
	1	18	19	24.3	23	A	3.05	22	A	
	2	22	20	23	16	A	1.74	13	A	
	3	24	20	45.6	1	C	1.74	13	C	
82-83	12	no	19	25	3	N	2.58	3	A	116
	1	40	17	53.3	25	C	2.16	5	N	
	2	40	19	56.4	11	C	2.5	21	C	
	3	36	17	47.4	13	C	1.74	14	C	
83-84	12	26	18	53.2	12	C	2.91	14	C	85
	1	14	20	22	23	N	0.82	3	A	
	2	31	19	54.8	12	C	2.5	13	C	
	3	14	17	47.4	13	C	1.74	14	C	
84-85	12	14	17	39.5	29	C	1.61	30	C	61
	1	no	18	31.4	7	C	1.73	7	C	
	2	12	17	45.2	25	C	1.85	9	N	
85-86	12	17	4	52.9	6	C	1.3	6	N	99
	1	35	19	53.8	18	C	1.73	18	A	
	2	30	19	47.4	15	C	3.42	22	C	
	3	17	18	46.8	9	C	3.65	13	C	
86-87	12	5	21	14.3	29	A	1.29	28	A	79
	1	44	17	72.2	31	C	2.7	31	A	
	2	10	18	69.7	1	C	3.07	3	A	
	3	20	17	56.6	11	C	2	12	N	
87-88	12	26	17	63.1	4	C	7.53	3	C	62
	1	15	20	26.3	14	A	2.6	14	C	
	2	5	19	15	9	N	1.11	9	A	
	3	16	17	18.9	4	C	1.73	24	A	
88-89	12	12	18	21	29	N	2.7	29	A	72
	1	18	18	34.7	14	C	1.4	7	N	
	2	21	19	39.3	22	C	2.72	9	A	
	3	21	20	26	27	C	1.5	12	C	
89-90	12	6	18	18	3	N	2.65	3	N	85
	1	37	17	67.1	6	C	4.53	9	A	
	2	33	19	26	2	N	2.72	9	N	
	3	9	18	19	8	A	1.39	6	A	
90	12	3	22	19	4	A	1.03	4	A	

Example: For 1981-1982, in December there were 14 total storm-days for 3 stations. The prevailing wind direction was 210°. The maximum wind speed in this month was 18.5 mph which occurred on the 15th at Astoria. Maximum precipitation was 3.94 inches. This occurred on the 5th at Newport. There were 78 total storm-days for 1981-1982.

displacement and the 1982-1983 El Nino phenomenon can be seen in Table 2, Table 3 and Figures 2 and 3. Despite the fact that the criteria of wind speed used in these tables is not a highly sophisticated technique, the magnitude of the storms shown by month and year is still clearly defined. For example, at Newport, during the ten year period, the greatest monthly precipitation was found in the winter months of 1982 to 1983. The longest storm period also occurred during this period (Table 2, Figure 2). The same pattern can be found in both Astoria and Cape Blanco. In Table 3, it can be clearly seen that the yearly total storm-days for winter 1982-83 are much greater than any other year in the ten year study period. Astoria had 33 storm days, Newport had 47 storm days and Cape Blanco had 66 storm days from December 1982 to March 1983. At Newport and Cape Blanco the total precipitation for the winter of 1982-1983 was much higher than other winters; 54.2 inches for Newport and 55.88 inches for Cape Blanco respectively. For Astoria, the total winter precipitation was much greater than other years except 1989-1990 (Tables 2, 3 and Figures 2, 3). The 1989-1990 winter storm will be discussed briefly later in this paper.

An examination of Figure 3 shows that, during the ten year period, there were three storm peaks at each of the three stations. One peak occurred in winter 1982-1983, while a second occurred in winter 1986-87 in Astoria and Newport, but shifted to 1985-1986 at Cape Blanco. This difference may be due to the missing data for Cape Blanco. A third storm peak was found in January 1990,

Table 2-A. Total Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by

## Month, Astoria

Year	Month	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)	Year	Month	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)
81	1	0			86-87	12	5	9	4.2
	2	9	15	7.25		1	12	13	8.96
	3	0				2	4	13	2.2
	Total	9	15	7.25		3	9	12	6.73
	12	7	12	6.53		Total	30	12	22.1
81-82	1	5	17	10.07	87-88	12	10	15	6.75
	2	12	14	9.82		1	5	14	3.11
	3	0				2	3	12	1.48
	Total	33	14	26.35		3	8	15	5.57
	12	8	14	8.83		Total	26	14	16.91
82-83	1	11	10	11.5	88-89	12	4	13	4.65
	2	6	9	3.59		1	9	14	4.8
	3	8	8	6.24		2	6	13	5.49
	Total	33	10	30.16		3	6	9	2.45
	12	2	15	2.72		Total	25	12	17.39
83-84	1	7	14	5.53	89-90	12	3	15	5.53
	2	11	10	6.75		1	14	14	14.56
	3	0				2	12	13	10.36
	Total	20	13	15		3	8	10	3.71
	12	3	11	1.4		Total	37	13	34.16
84-85	1	0			90	12	3	12	2.08
	2	2	16	1.09					
	3	8	11	4.96					
	Total	13	13	7.45					
	12	3	14	1.17					
85-86	1	13	13	8.27					
	2	8	15	7.64					
	3	4	11	2.57					
	Total	28	13	19.65					

Table 2-B. Total Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by

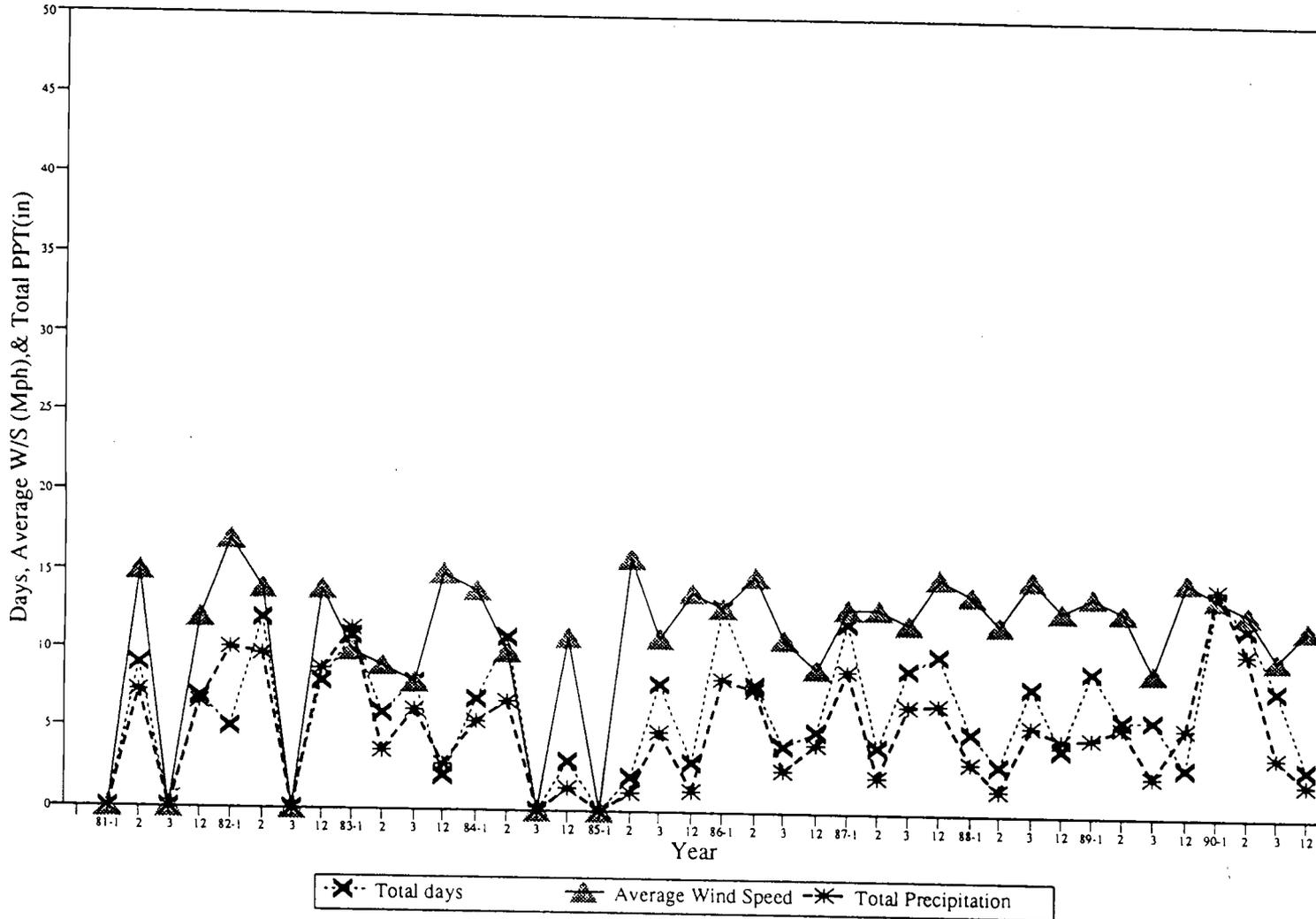
Month, Newport									
Year	Month	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)	Year	Month	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)
81	1	5	13	3.64	85-86	12	8	12	3.83
	2	0				1	6	16	3.89
	3	5	16	4.19		2	8	12	6.75
	Total	10	15	7.83		3	8	12	3.53
81-82	12	7	9	8.78	Total	30	13	18	
	1	13	12	12.12	12	0			
	2	10	16	9.21	86-87	1	14	12	9.61
	3	5	14	3.49		2	4	13	3.87
Total	35	13	33.6	3		6	15	7.69	
12	15	16	13.86	Total		24	13	21.17	
82-83	1	16	16	14.98	12	missing PPT data			
	2	15	12	13	87-88	1	10	16	10.58
	3	16	15	12.45		2	2	15	1.34
	Total	47	15	54.3		3	4	14	3.7
12	10	15	8.52	Total		16	14	5	
83-84	1	7	14	3.83	12	8	13	5.42	
	2	9	14	7.23	88-89	1	7	16	4.93
	3	2	14	1.08		2	7	14	5.51
	Total	28	14	20.7		3	17	15	11.17
12	6	10	4.4	Total		39	15	27	
84-85	1	0			12	3	16	3.29	
	2	6	12	3.17	89-90	1	13	19	12.1
	3	7	14	5.05		2	11	16	7.52
	Total	19	12	12.6		3	3	15	1.8
				Total		30	17	24.7	

Table 2-C. Total Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by

Month, Cape Blanco									
Year	Month	Duration	W/S(A)	PPT(A)	Year	Month	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)
81	1	4	9	3.46	85-86	12	6	34	4.07
	2	8	16	5.9		1	16	31	11.84
	3	7	16	3.99		2	14	31	18.49
	<b>Total</b>	19	14	13.35		3	11	31	10.74
81-82	12	missing			<b>Total</b>	47	33	45.14	
	1	2	26	2.78	12	0			
	2	8	44	12.05	86-87	1	18	33	15.45
	3	11	27	7.17		2	2	20	4.54
<b>Total</b>	21	32	22	3		5	34	4.31	
82-83	12	12	41	15.32	<b>Total</b>	25	29	24.3	
	1	13	35	9.78	12	16	35	21.6	
	2	19	37	17.73	87-88	1	missing		
	3	16	30	13.05		2	0		
<b>Total</b>	60	36	55.88	3		4	16	2.22	
83-84	12	14	29	12.29	<b>Total</b>				
	1	4	23	2.17	12	missing			
	2	11	20	8.65	88-89	1	2	29	1.44
	3	12	28	8.6		2	2	37	1.87
<b>Total</b>	41	25	34.71	3		0			
84-85	12	5	18	3.34	<b>Total</b>	4	33	3.31	
	1	missing			12	missing			
	2	6	29	4.43	89-90	1	10	32	8.24
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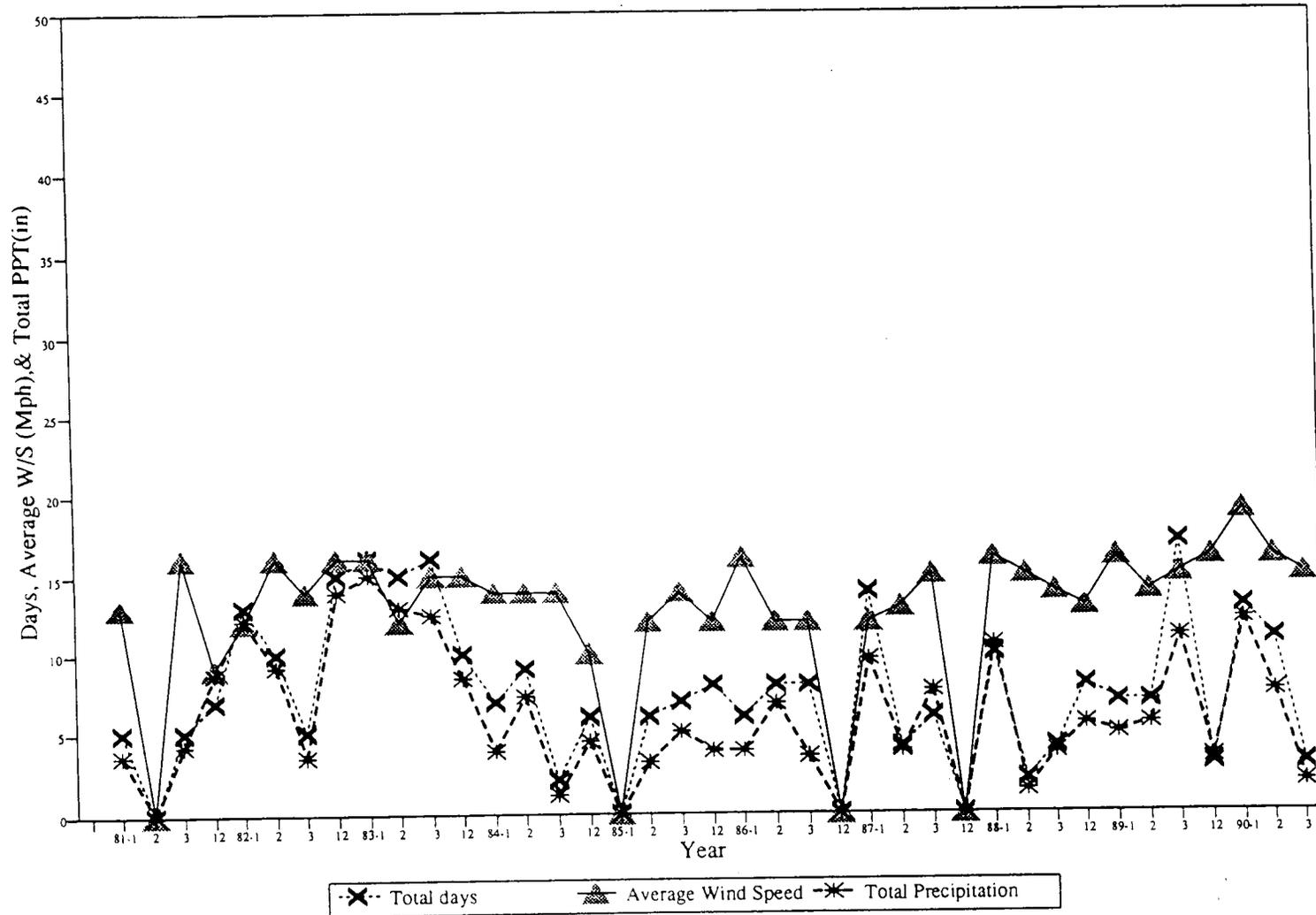
# Total Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by Month, Astoria

Figure 2-A.



# Total Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by Month, Newport

Figure 2-B



# Total Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by Month, Cape Blanco

Figure 2-C

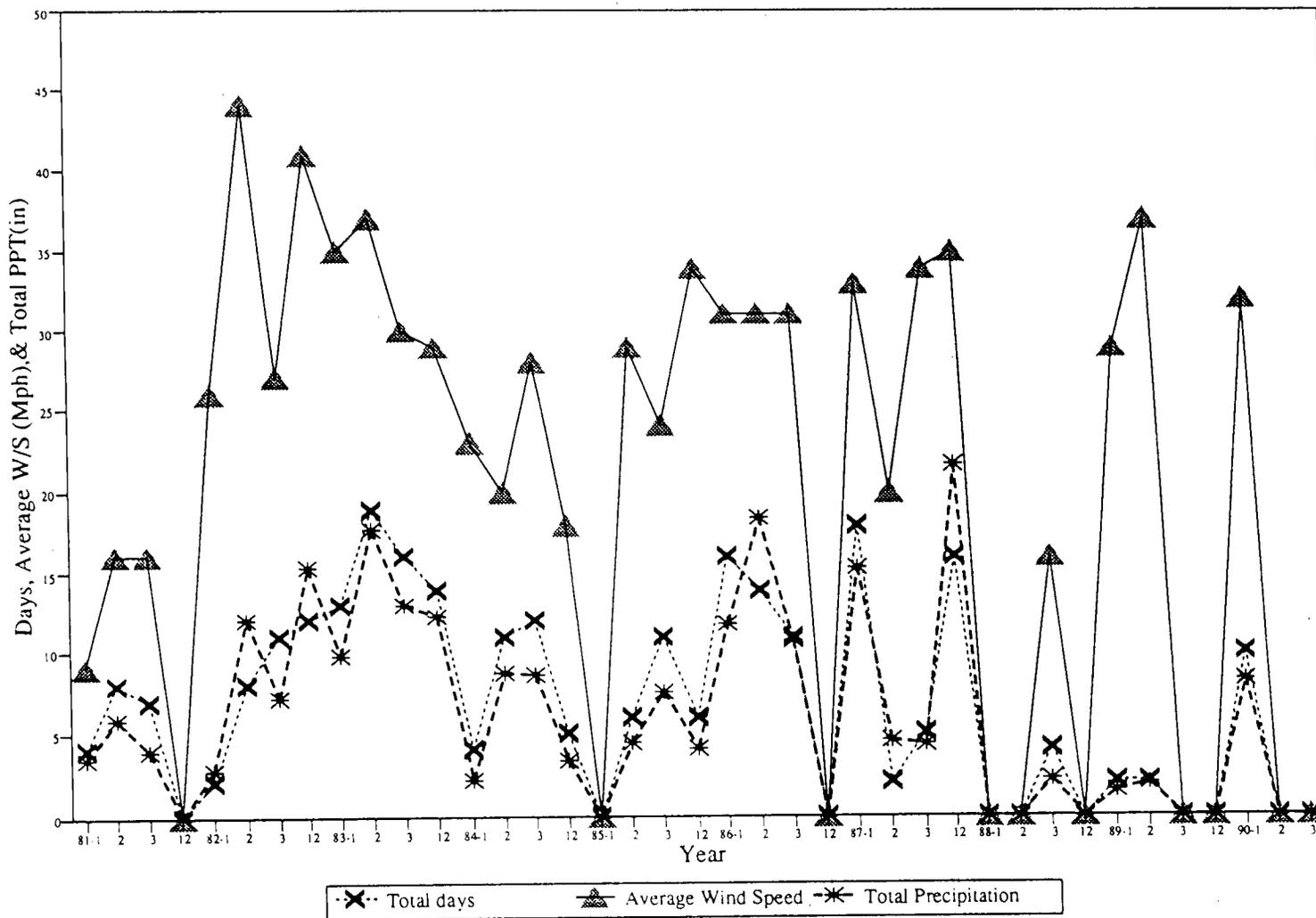


Table 3. Winter Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by Year

## Astoria

year	days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)
81	9	15	7.25
81-82	33	14	26.35
82-83	33	10	30.16
83-84	20	13	15
84-85	13	13	7.45
85-86	28	13	19.65
86-87	30	12	22.1
87-88	26	14	16.91
88-89	25	12	17.39
89-90	37	13	34.16

## Newport

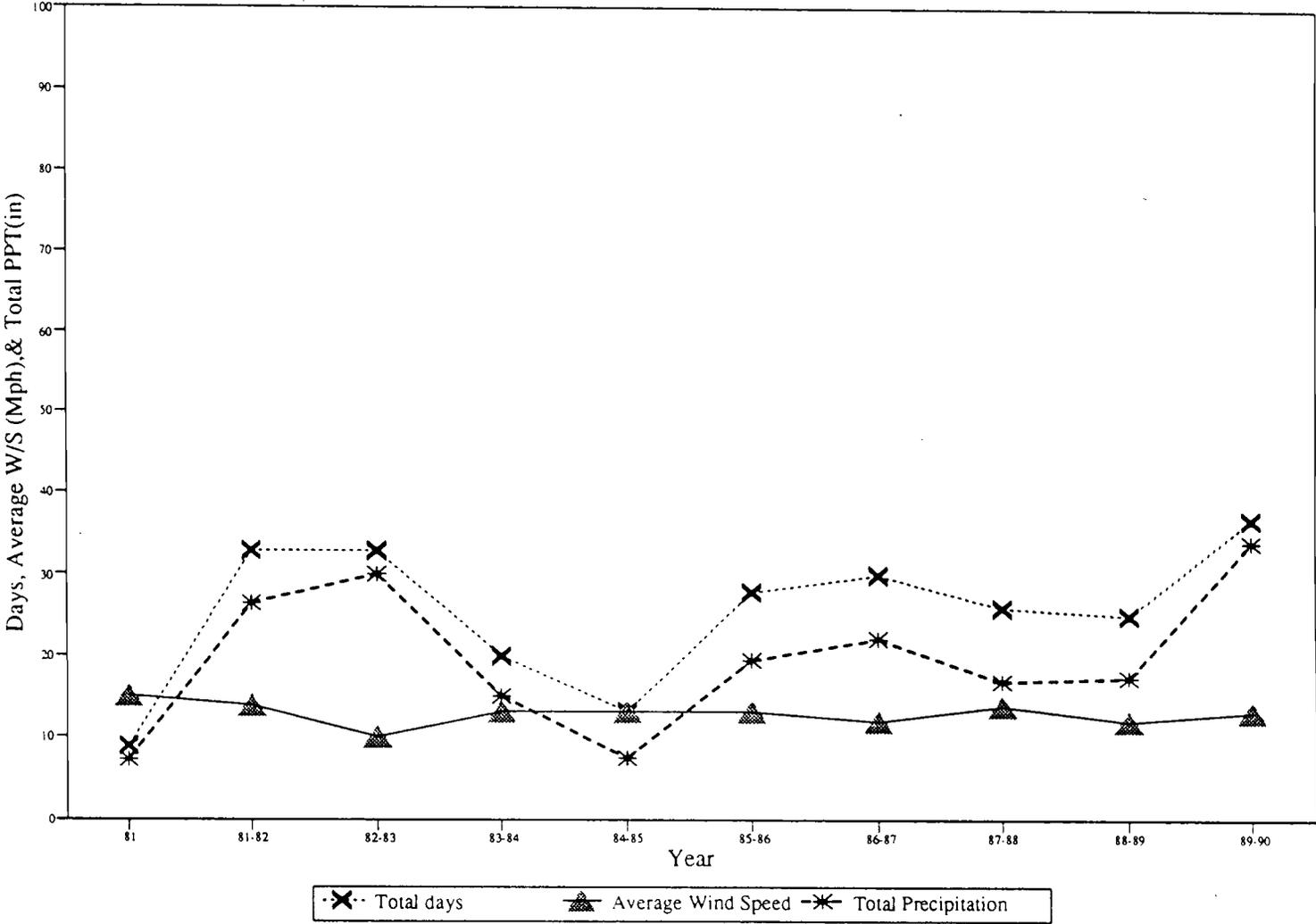
Year	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)
81	10	15	7.83
81-82	35	13	33.6
82-83	47	15	54.3
83-84	28	14	20.7
84-85	19	12	12.6
85-86	30	13	18
86-87	24	13	21.17
87-88	16	14	5
88-89	39	15	27
89-90	30	17	24.7

## Cape Blanco

Year	Days	W/S(A)	PPT(T)
81	19	14	13.35
81-82	21	32	22
82-83	60	36	55.88
83-84	41	25	34.71
84-85	22	23	15.25
85-86	47	33	45.14
86-87	25	29	24.3

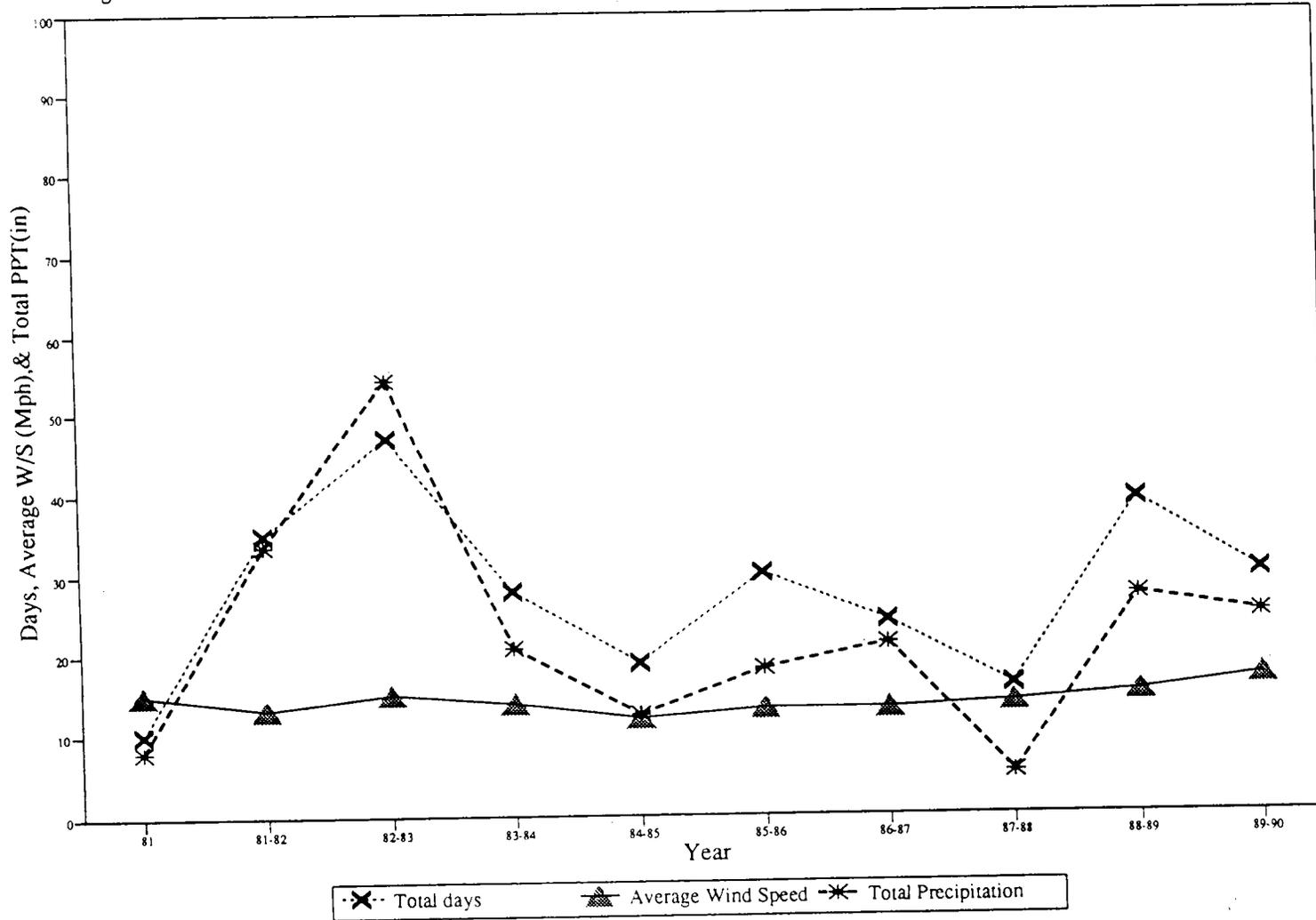
# Winter Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by Year, Astoria

Figure 3-A



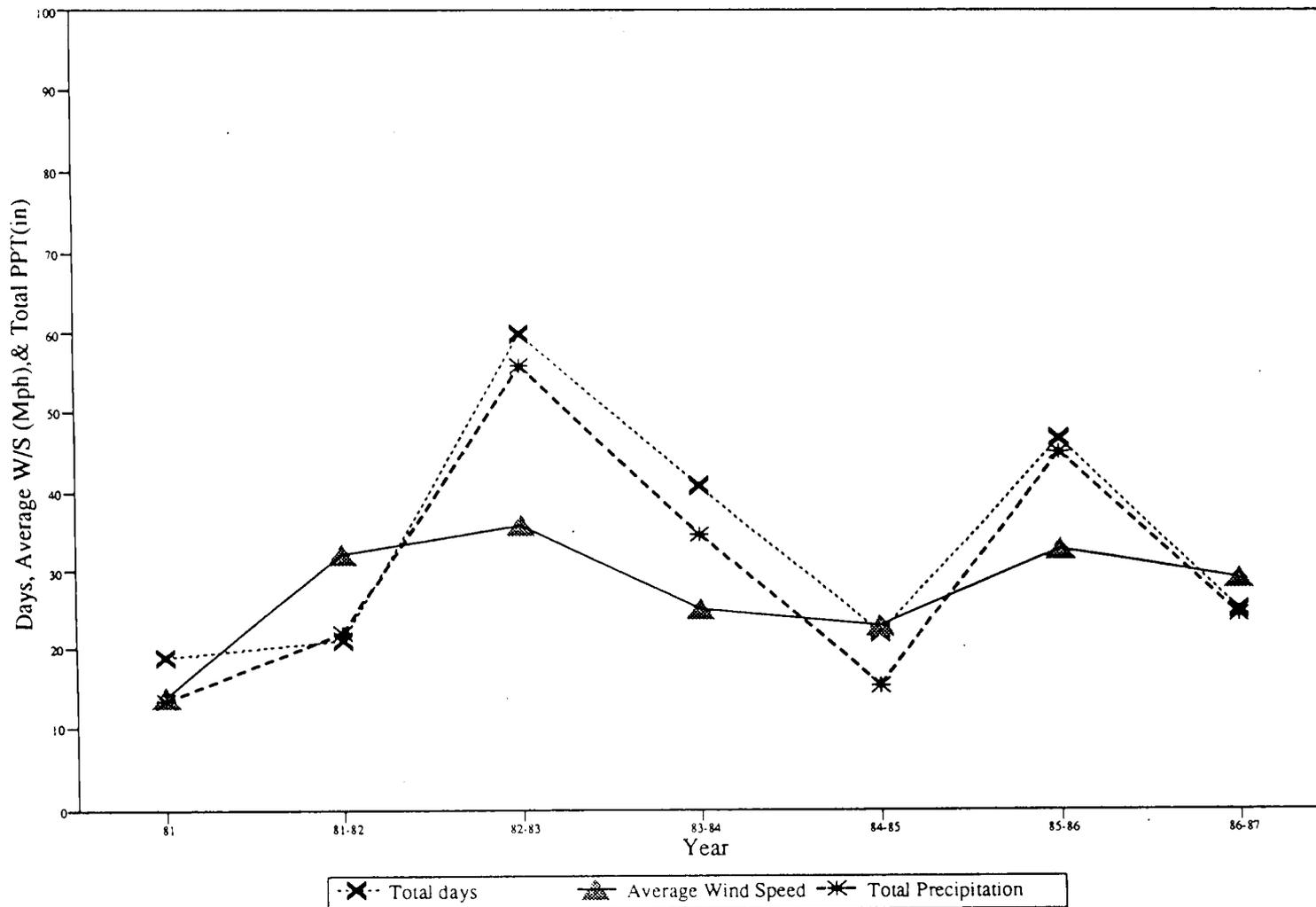
# Winter Storm Days, Precipitation and Wind Speed Summaries by Year, Newport

Figure 3-B



# Winter Storm Days, Precipitation & Wind Speed Summaries by Year, Cape Blanco

Figure 3-C



for all three stations (Figure 2). The cause of this peak requires further investigation.

It was found that for the three stations, Cape Blanco had the greatest storm magnitude according to the selected criteria. The wind speed is much greater at Cape Blanco than at the other two stations. The difference between stations has been observed but not thoroughly researched.

Prevailing wind direction is an important factor used in describing storms. Appendix 5 and Tables 4 through 8 are specific descriptions of wind direction, from which wind direction patterns may be determined. The most prevalent wind direction is expressed as the percentage of the number of wind direction data records. For example, the prevalent direction is described as the frequency that 190-270° wind directions occurred. Cape Blanco most frequently had both the highest wind speed and greatest precipitation. For four out of ten years, maximum precipitation occurred at Cape Blanco (Table 4). However, there was a considerable amount of missing data. Therefore, this number could change with an increase in available data. More details of this nature may be derived directly from the Appendices.

Wind direction changes with various storm situations. The most frequent wind direction during storm events was found to be 180°-270° (SW) which represents 50% of all directions measured during storm periods (Table 4). The second most frequent wind direction was 90°-180° (SE). Directions of 90°-270° (SW and SE) took place with an 84% frequency during storms (Table 5).

Table 4. Summary of Change in Wind Direction for 10 year Period

Storm	Wind	WD before		WD at Storm		WD after		WD at WS(M)		Station		
in month	Direction	Frequency	%	Frequency	%	Frequency	%	Frequency	%	A	N	C
*Dec	0-90°	20	50	1	2	25	62	0	0	0	0	0
40	91-180°	6	16	17	42	12	31	21	52	4	4	7
	181-270°	9	24	19	48	1	2	19	48	8	7	0
	271-360°	3	9	3	8	2	5	0	0	0	0	0
Jan	0-90°	18	32	1	2	20	38	0	0	0	0	0
56	91-180°	22	39	30	54	17	29	16	29	4	0	1
	181-270°	7	13	22	39	10	18	36	64	11	14	4
	271-360°	9	16	3	5	9	16	4	7	0	3	1
Feb	0-90°	25	45	1	2	20	36	1	2	0	0	0
	91-180°	20	36	20	36	15	27	19	40	6	5	6
	181-270°	9	17	27	49	7	13	33	60	10	13	8
	271-360°	1	2	7	13	13	24	0	0	0	0	0
March	0-90°	19	39	0	0	11	22	0	0	1	0	0
49	91-180°	17	35	19	39	19	39	26	53	4	2	1
	181-270°	8	16	27	55	14	29	23	47	6	9	6
	271-360°	5	10	3	6	5	10	0	0	0	0	0

Example: In December, the wind direction averaged over 10 years before storms at 0-90° was 20. This was 50% of the total wind directions. During storms there were no 0-90° wind directions. After storms the 0-90° wind direction frequency was 25. This represented 62% of this month's total wind directions. The station refers only to wind direction at maximum speed.

Table 5. Prevailing Wind Direction During Storm Events

	0°-90°	90°-180°	180°-270°	270°-360°
DEC	2	42%	48%	7.9%
JAN	2	54%	39%	7%
FEB	2	36%	49%	13%
MARCH	0	39%	55%	6%

Before storm events, the wind direction changed most frequently from 0°-90° (NE) or 90°-180° (SE), however, this pattern was not very clear (Table 6).

Table 6. Prevailing Wind Direction Before Storm Events.

	0°-90°	90°-180°	180°-270°	270°-360°
DEC	50%	16%	24	9%
JAN	32%	39%	13%	16%
FEB	45%	36%	17%	2%
MARCH	39%	35%	16%	10%

Wind direction after a storm event often reverted back to 0°-90° and 90°-180° (NE) (Table 7).

Table 7. Prevailing Wind Direction After Storm Events

	0°-90°	90°-180°	180°-270°	270°-360°
DEC	62%	31%	2%	5%
JAN	38%	29%	18%	16%
FEB	36%	27%	13%	24%
MARCH	22%	39%	29%	10%

Change in wind direction varied with the month of storm events. For example, in March, the wind direction switched to a more southerly direction compared to the cooler months (Tables 6 and 7).

Wind direction at maximum wind speed was predominantly in the range of 90°-270° (SW, SE), with the greatest frequency at 180°-270° (SW). Almost 99% of wind directions recorded at maximum wind speed was 90°-270° (Table 8).

Table 8. Prevailing Wind Direction at Maximum Wind Speed

	0°-90°	90°-180°	180°-270°	270°-360°
DEC	0	52%	48%	0
JAN	0	29%	64%	7%
FEB	2	40%	60%	0
MARCH	0	53%	47%	0

Maximum wind speed rarely occurred in a northerly direction. The prevailing wind direction at maximum wind speed for Astoria and Newport was  $180^{\circ}$ - $270^{\circ}$  (SW), and  $90^{\circ}$ - $180^{\circ}$  (SE) for Cape Blanco. The second most frequent direction for Astoria and Newport was  $90^{\circ}$ - $180^{\circ}$  (SE), and  $180^{\circ}$ - $270^{\circ}$  (SW) for Cape Blanco.

## CONCLUSIONS

The following major results have been found in this project:

- 1) The greatest storm magnitude was found in the winter 1982-83. This finding coincides with the work of Dr. Jackson and others who have studied winter storm characteristics and sand displacement on the Oregon coast.
- 2) There were three storm intensity peaks during the ten year period. These peaks occurred at all three stations. Moreover, significant storm events occurred at all three stations in January 1990.
- 3) Although most storms occurred at all three stations, storm strength decreased from south to north. That is, Cape Blanco had the most intense storm activity, typified by high wind speed.
- 4) The prevailing wind direction during storms was between  $90^{\circ}$  to  $270^{\circ}$  (SW and SE). Direction concentrated in the SW when wind speed reached its maximum during storm events.

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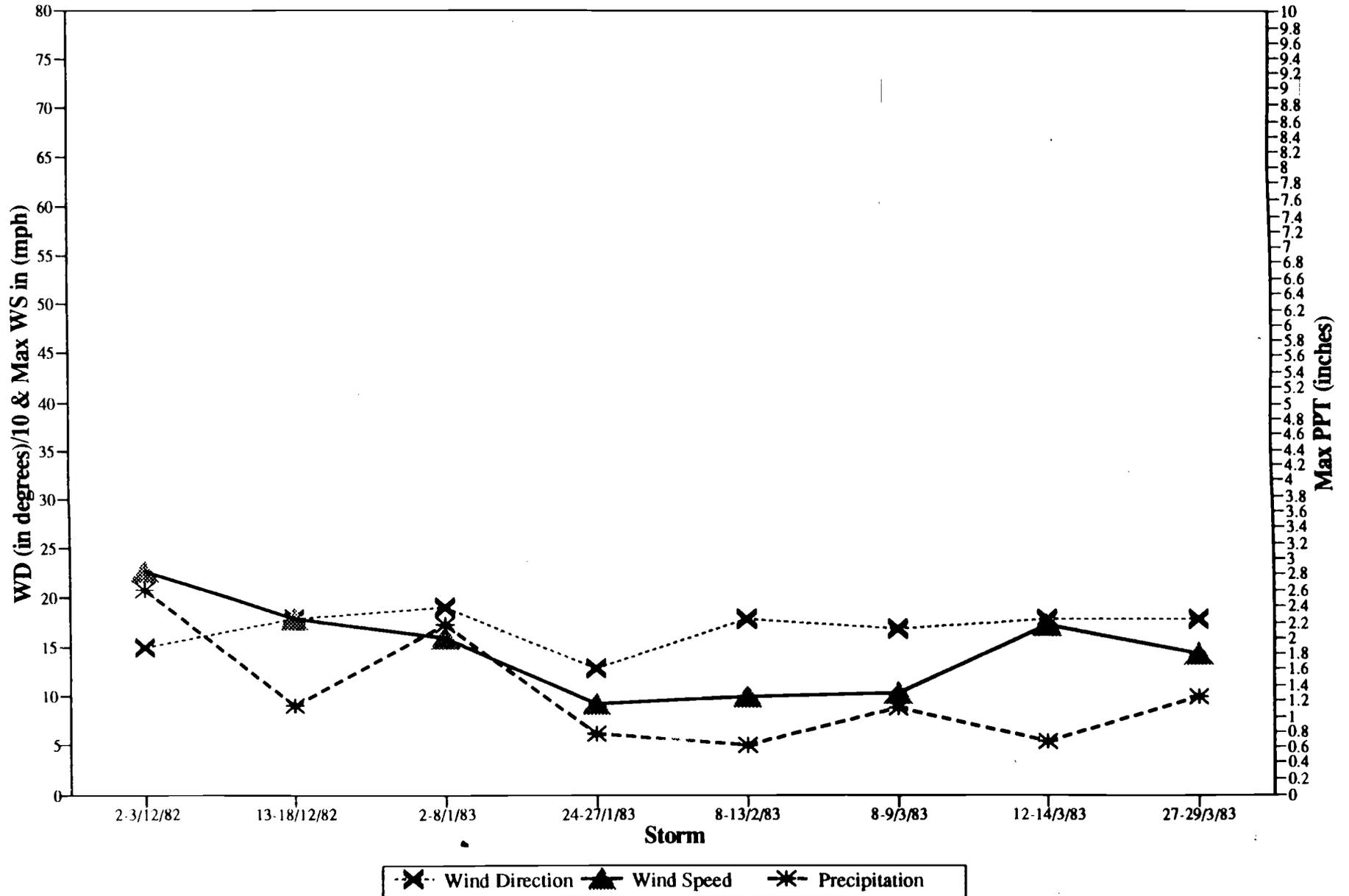
## APPENDICES

## Appendix 3-A. W/D, W/S, and PPT for Storm Events, Astoria

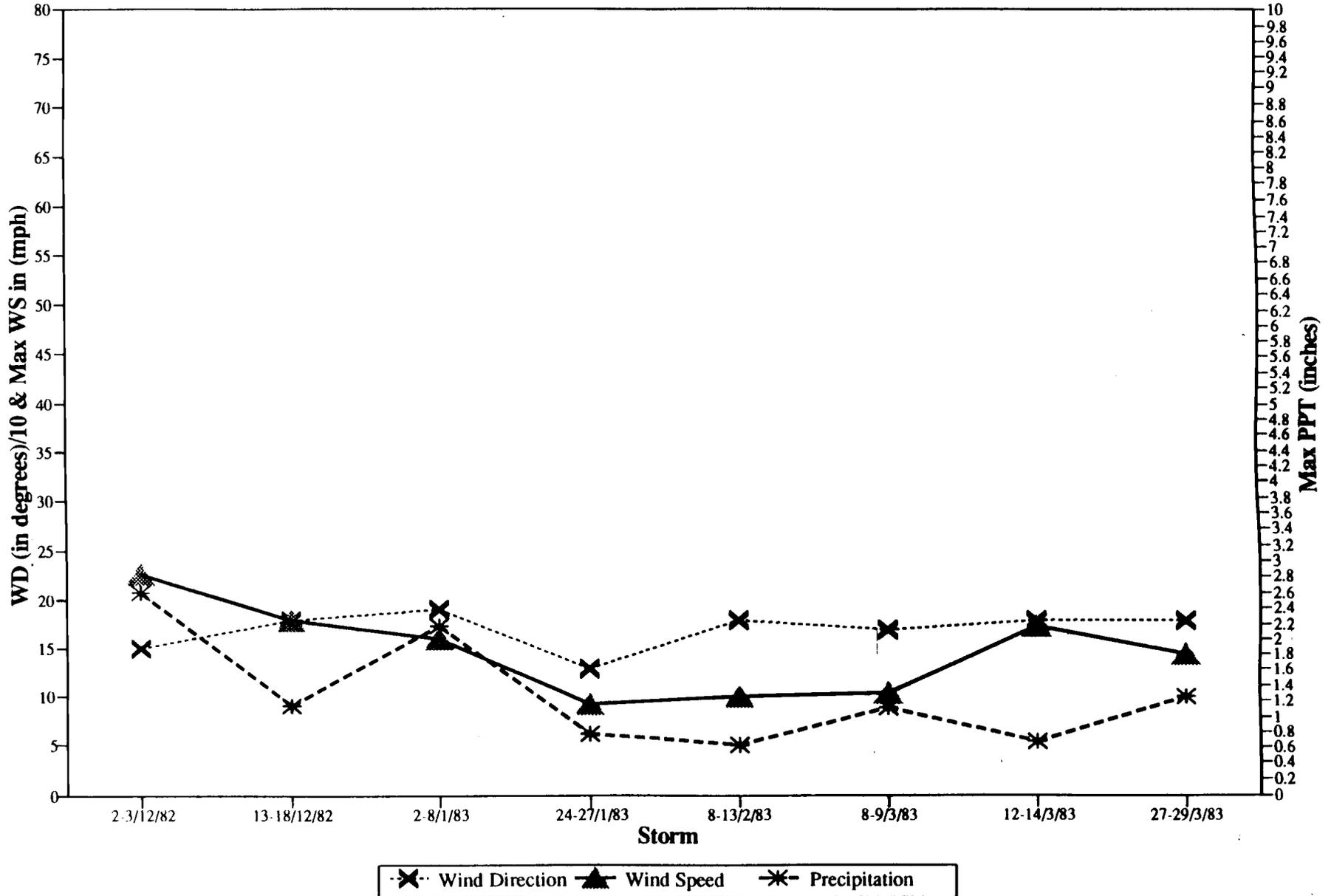
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9-10/12/81	2	20	13.8	10	1.53	9
13-15/12/81	3	21	18.5	15	0.89	14
15-17/1/82	3	20	19	16	2.39	16
22-23/1/82	2	19	24.3	23	3.84	23
11-22/2/82	12	18	22.9	13	1.74	13
2-3/12/82	2	15	22.7	3	2.58	3
13-18/12/82	6	18	17.8	16	1.14	15
2-8/1/83	7	19	16	7	2.15	7
24-27/1/83	4	13	9.2	26	0.77	27
8-13/2/83	6	18	10.1	9	0.63	9
8-9/3/83	2	17	10.4	9	1.12	8
12-14/3/83	3	18	17.4	13	0.67	12
27-29/3/83	3	18	14.4	29	1.26	29
29-30/12/83	2	11	16.5	29	2.19	29
2-4/1/84	3	18	16.7	3	1.02	2
22-25/1/84	4	20	18	24	1.65	23
9-13/2/84	5	17	16.3	9	0.59	9
19-24/2/84	6	8	13.4	24	0.96	23
28-30/12/84	3	22	15.4	29	1.18	29
10-11/2/85	2	20	16.7	11	0.64	11
3-4/3/85	2	17	9.7	4	0.73	4
22-24/3/85	3	20	16.7	23	0.98	23
29-31/3/85	3	21	15.7	30	1.21	30
1-3/12/85	3	13	15.4	2	1.03	2
1-2/1/86	2	18	11.6	2	0.74	2
15-19/1/86	5	20	31.2	18	1.73	18
21-23/1/96	3	14	10.4	22	1.31	22
29-31/1/86	3	16	9.6	30	0.83	30
13-16/2/86	4	20	19.3	15	0.76	16
21-24/2/86	4	20	20.2	24	1.33	22
6-9/3/86	4	21	17	7	1.12	8
24-25/12/86	2	10	9.3	25	1.72	25
27-29/12/86	3	21	14.3	29	1.29	28
1-4/1/87	4	16	16.5	2	1.23	3
11-13/1/87	3	23	14.2	12	0.83	12
25-27/1/87	3	17	15.1	26	1.01	26
30-31/1/87	2	19	16.9	31	2.7	31
1-2/2/87	2	21	16.6	1	0.76	1
27-28/2/87	2	21	11.2	28	1.08	28

1-3/3/87	3	19	22	3	1.68	3
8-10/3/87	3	14	10.2	9	1.05	9
12-14/3/87	3	21	12.9	13	0.74	13
1-10/12/87	10	21	26.1	9	1.04	9
12-16/1/88	5	20	26.3	14	1.19	14
8-10/2/88	3	23	14.4	9	1.11	9
4-5/3/88	2	19	13.2	5	0.58	5
22-23/3/88	6	26	18.3	22	1.73	24
20-21/12/88	2	15	9.2	20	0.92	20
29-30/12/88	2	21	20.4	29	2.7	29
8-10/1/89	3	21	13.9	8	1.01	9
12-17/1/89	6	21	21.2	16	1.22	16
16-18/2/89	3	18	19.1	17	2.32	16
21-23/2/89	3	19	19.5	22	0.89	22
14-17/3/89	4	20	11.5	14	1.24	15
2-4/12/89	3	20	16.7	4	2.3	4
3-9/1/90	7	21	17.6	9	4.53	9
21-22/1/90	2	24	15.3	22	0.83	22
25-29/1/90	5	23	22.1	28	1.41	28
2-11/2/90	10	22	18.3	9	2.72	9
14-15/2/90	2	23	10.8	15	0.76	15
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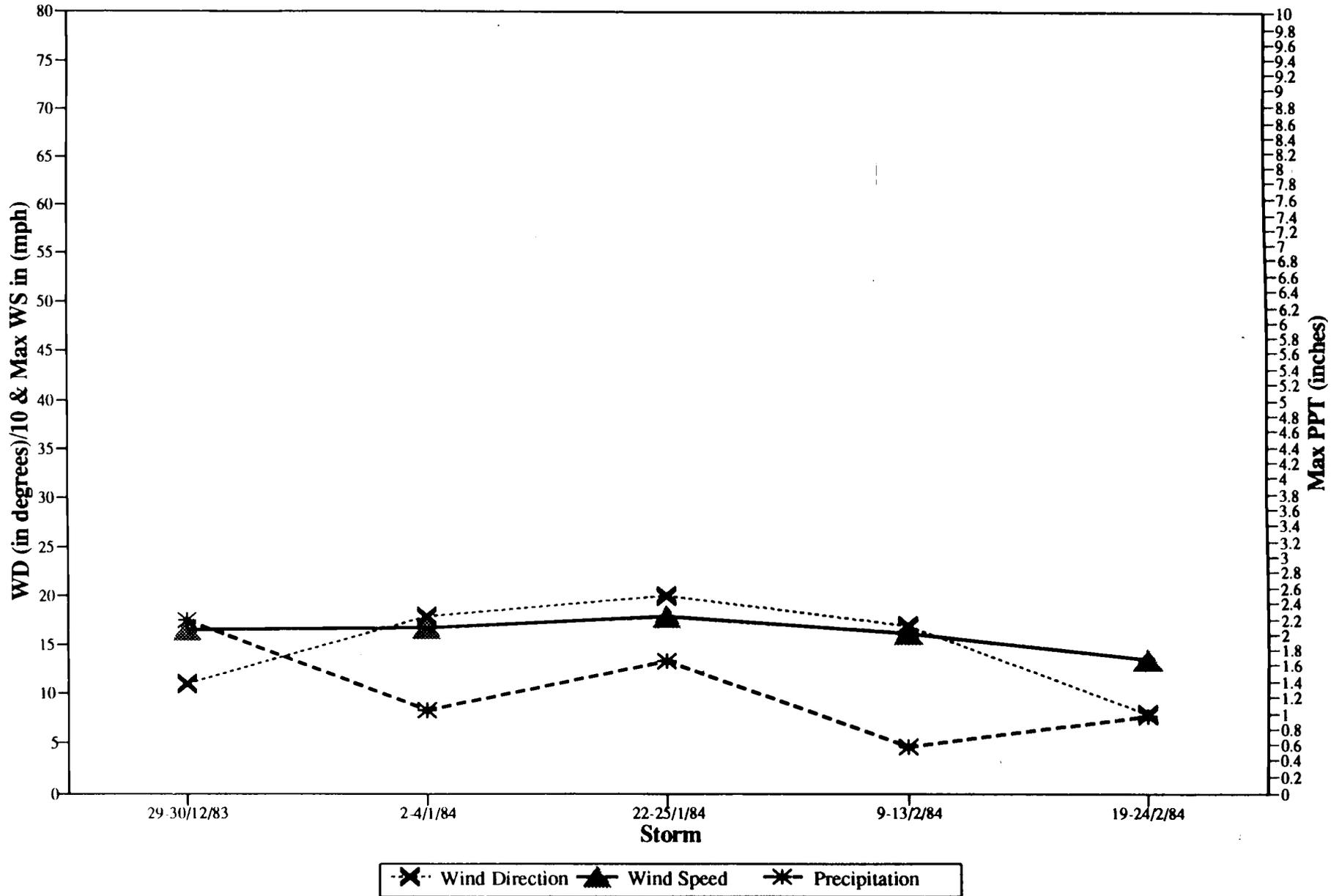
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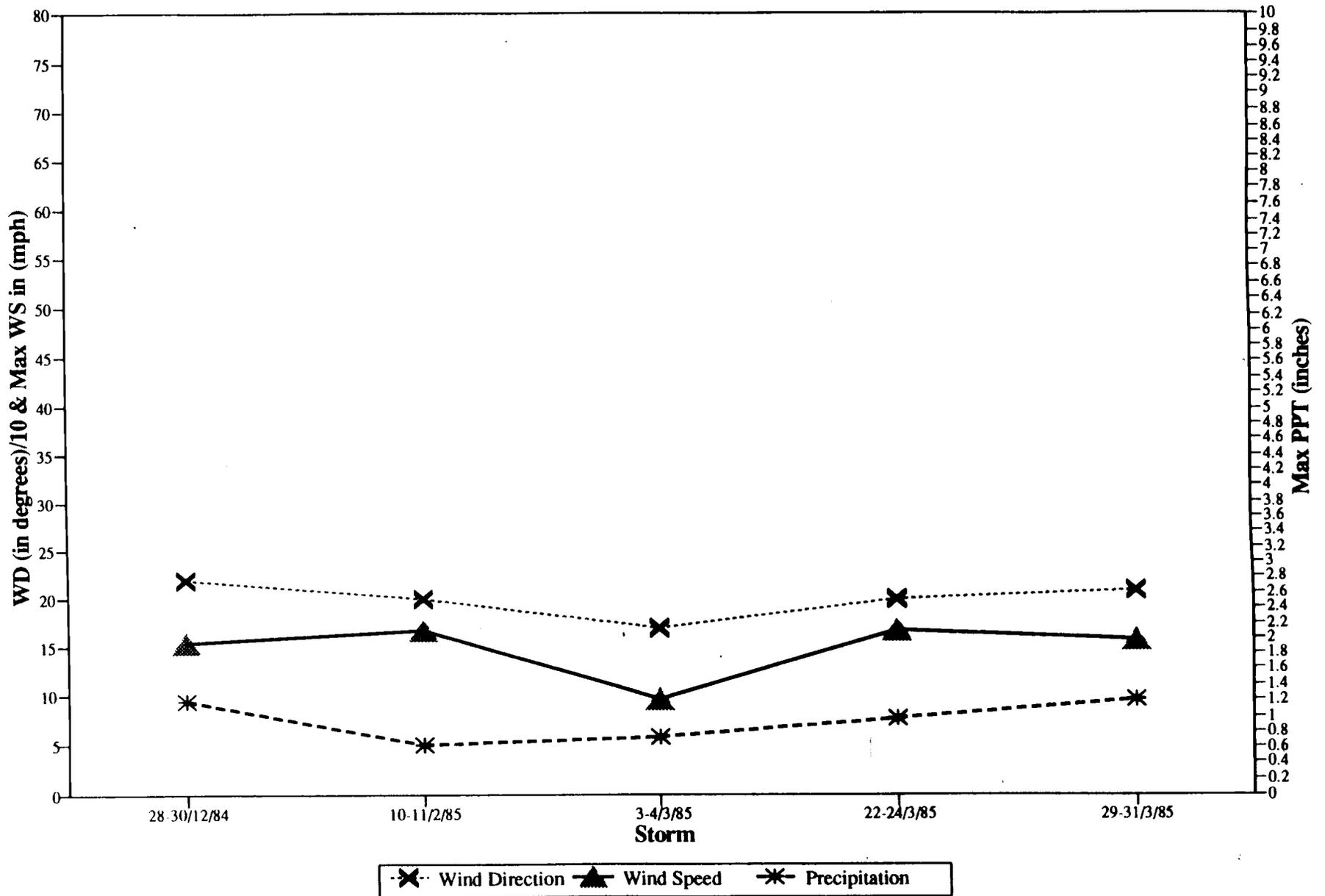
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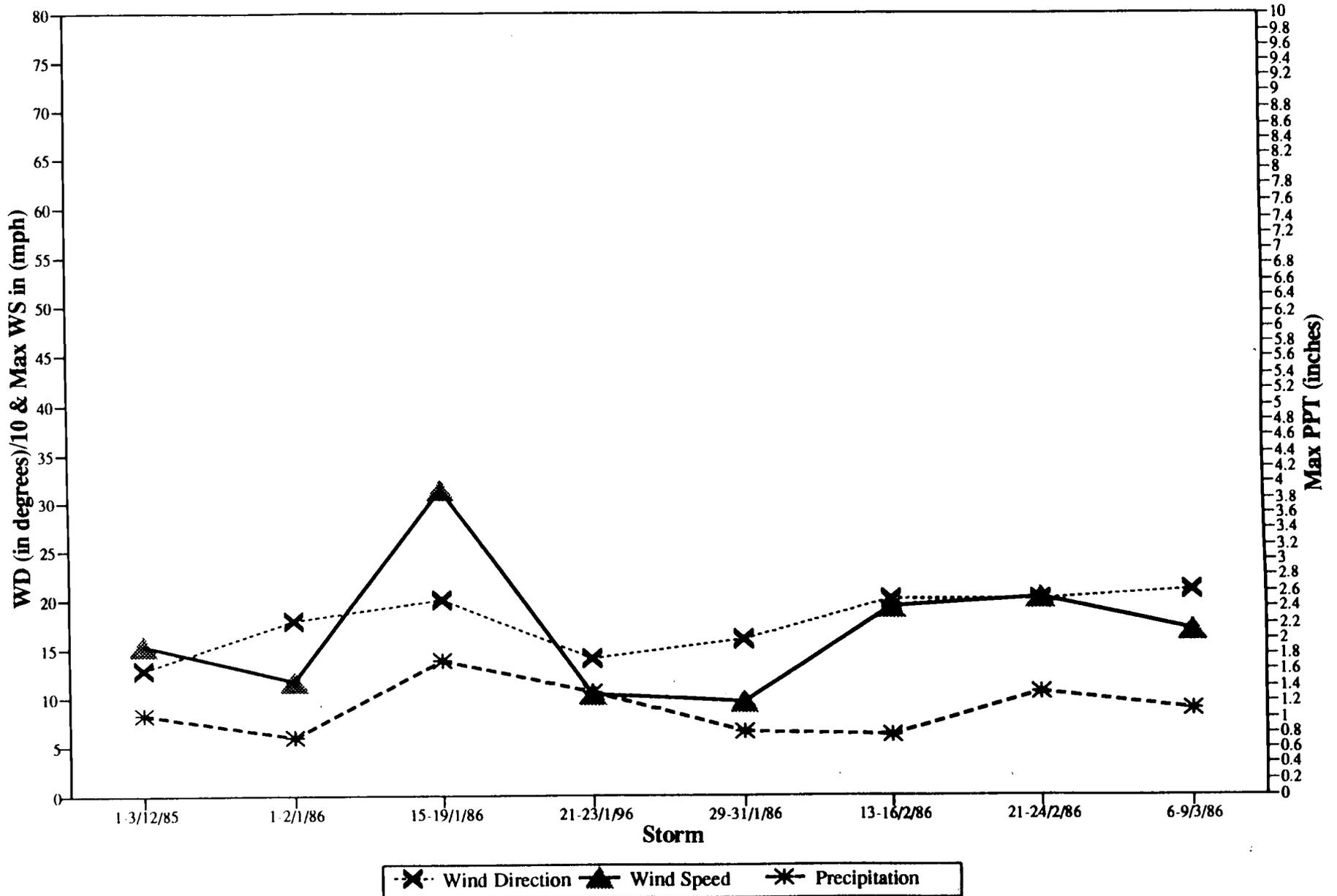
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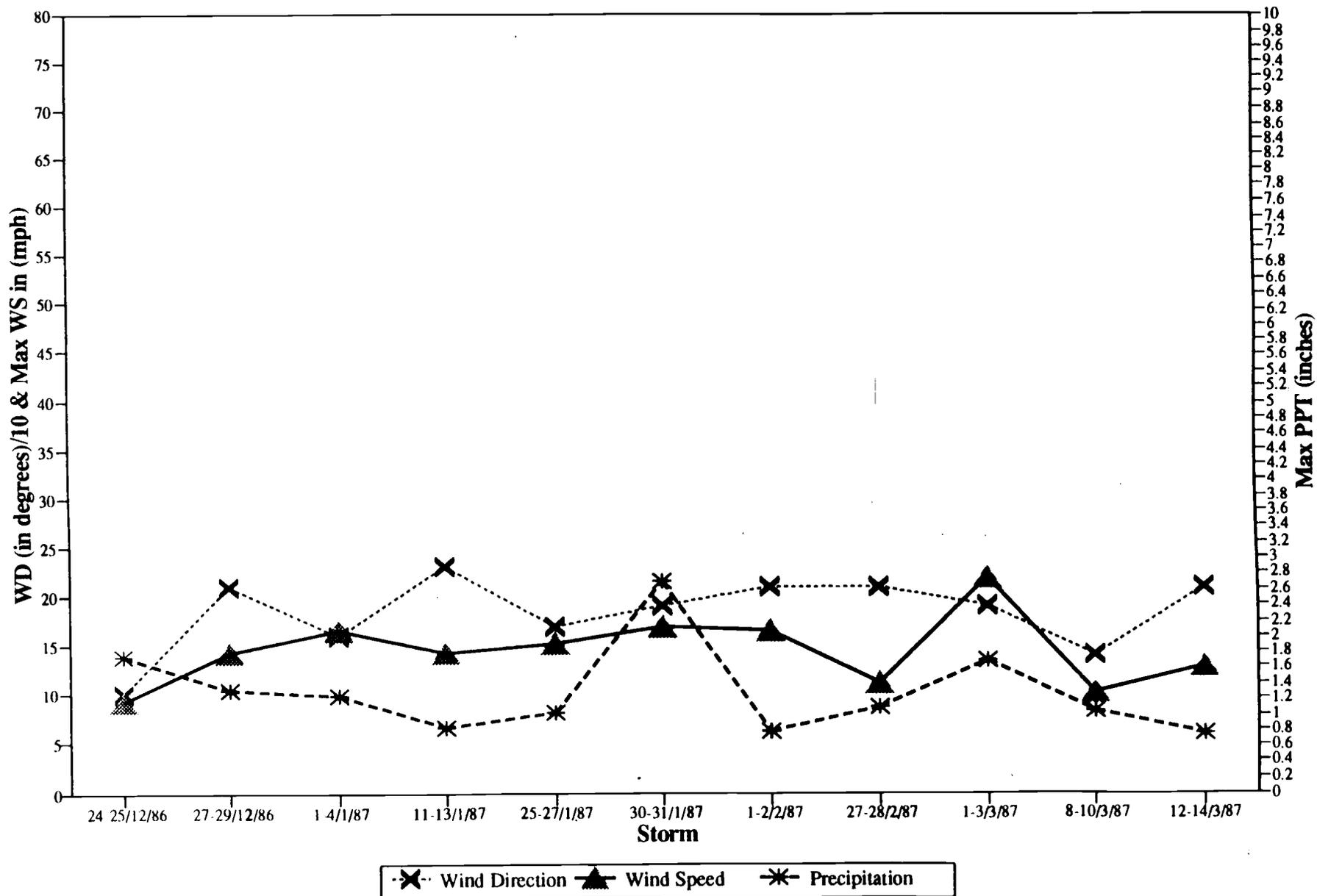
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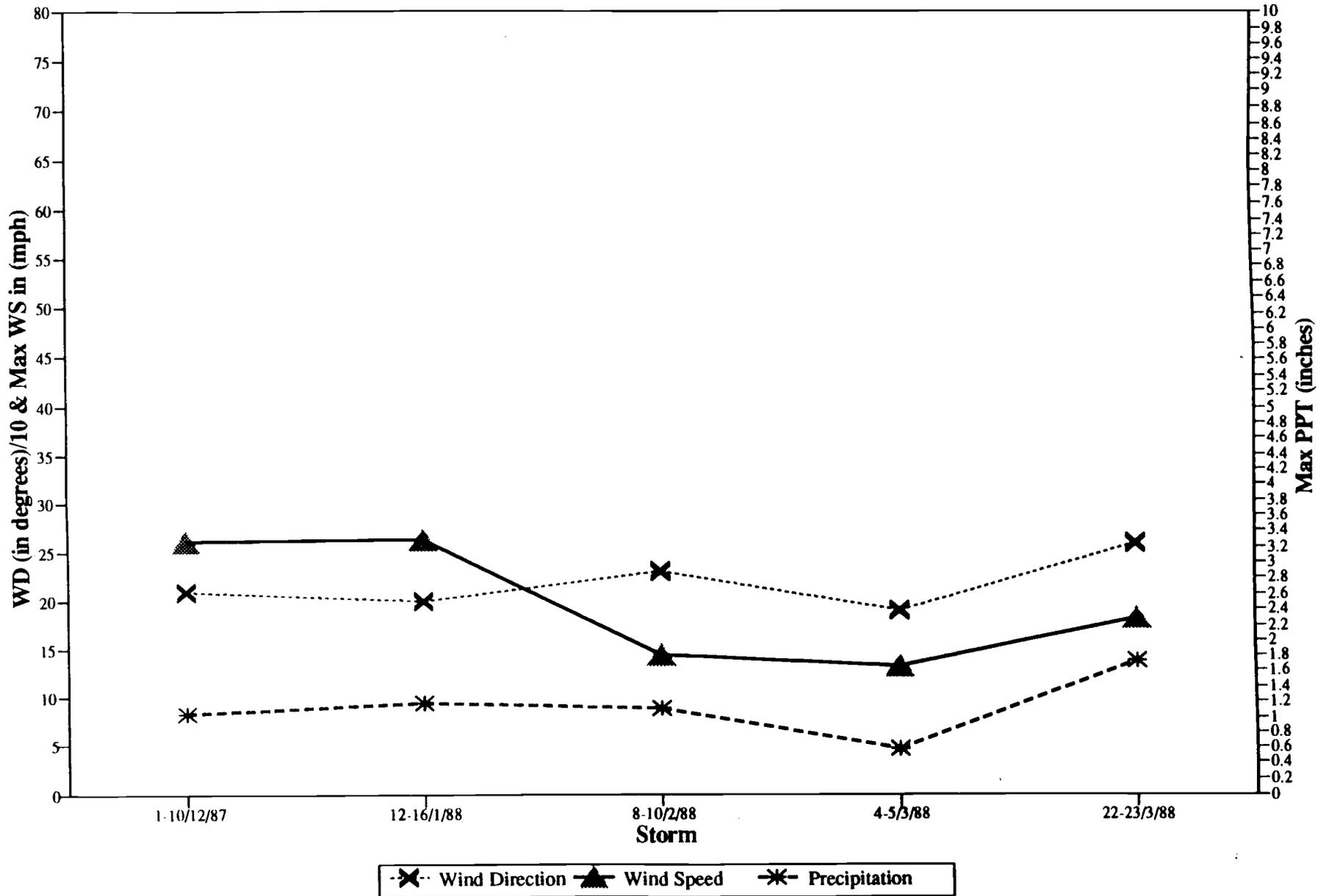
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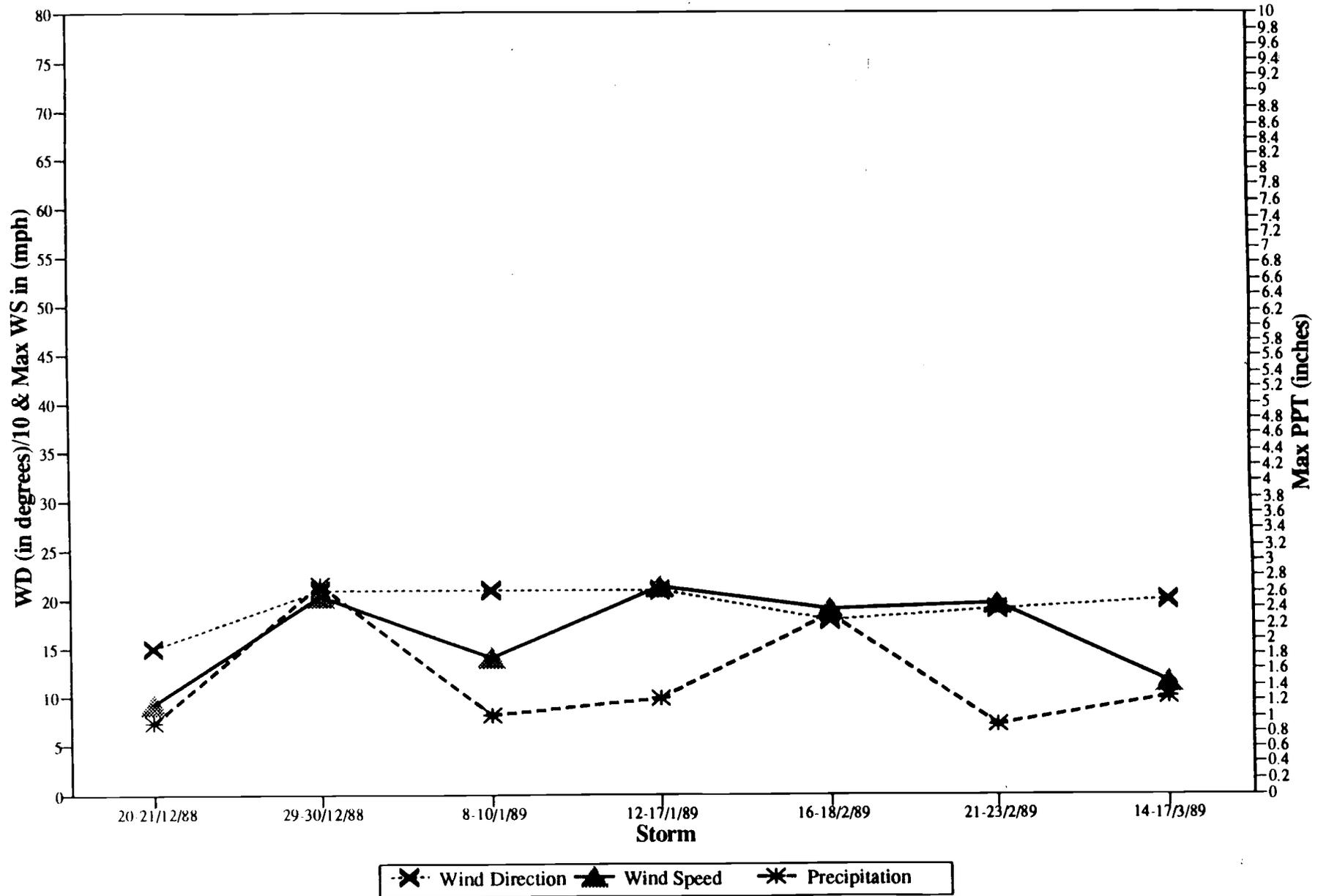
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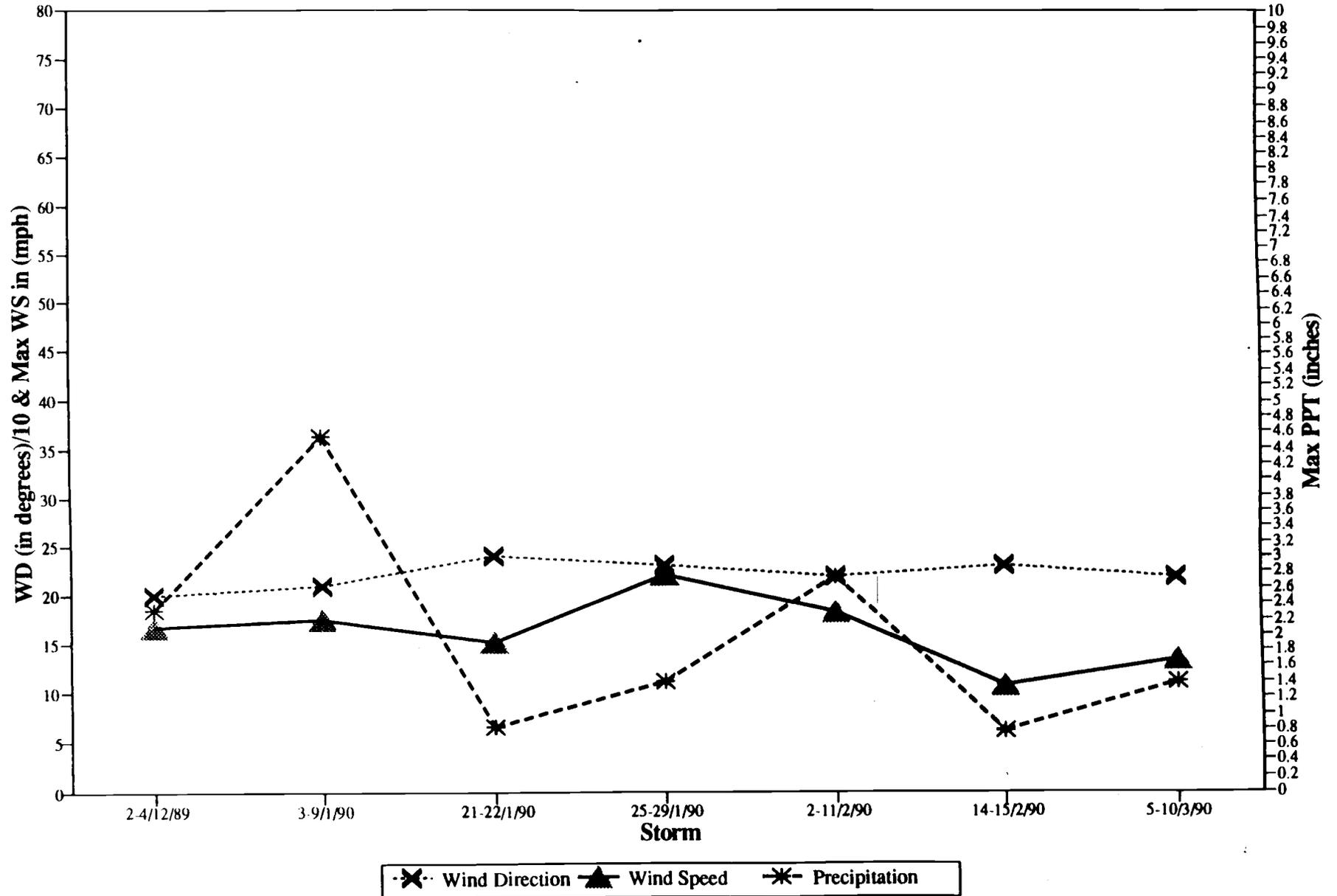
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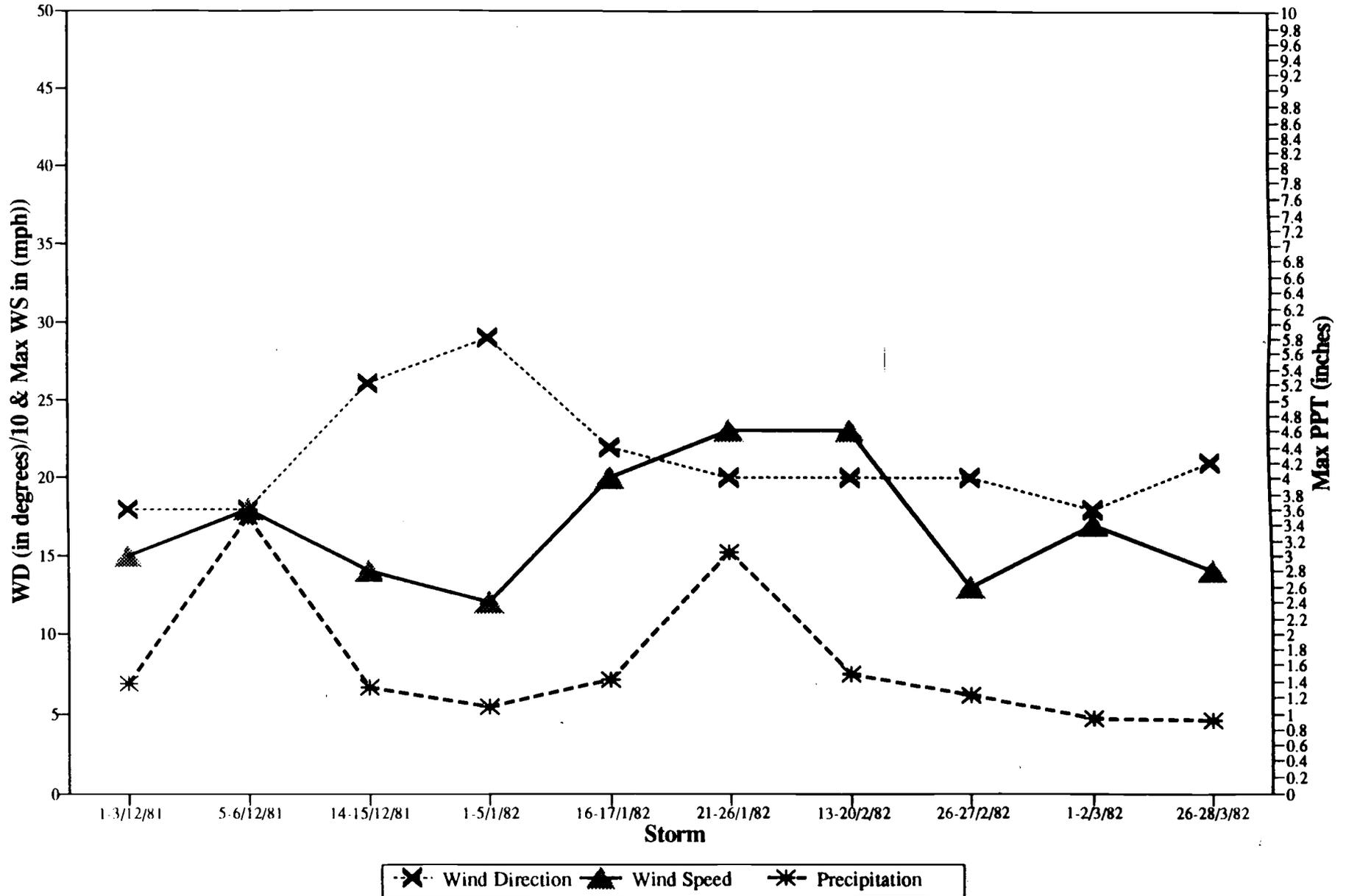


Appendix 3-B. W/D, W/S and PPT for Storm Events, Newport

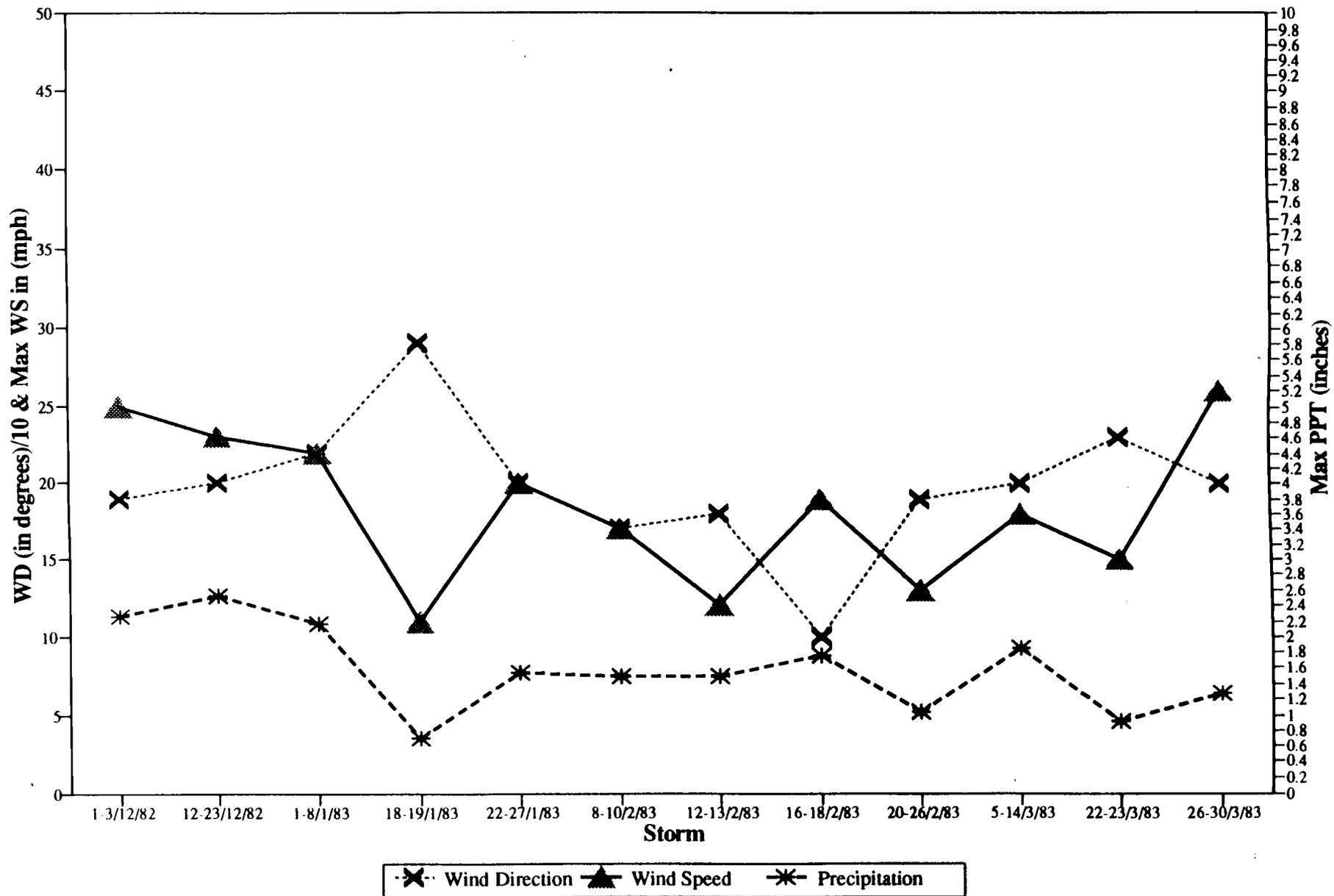
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23-24/3/81	2	18	14	24	1.21	23
29-31/3/81	3	21	14	31	1.22	30
1-3/12/81	3	18	15	1	1.36	1
5-6/12/81	2	18	18	5	3.49	5
14-15/12/81	2	26	14	15	1.34	15
1-5/1/82	5	29	12	3	1.08	4
16-17/1/82	2	22	20	16	1.43	16
21-26/1/82	6	20	23	23	3.05	22
13-20/2/82	8	20	23	16	1.5	18
26-27/2/82	2	20	13	26	1.23	
1-2/3/82	2	18	17	1	0.94	1
26-28/3/82	3	21	14	27	0.92	26
1-3/12/82	3	19	25	3	2.26	3
12-23/12/82	12	20	23	15	2.53	15
1-8/1/83	8	22	22	6	2.16	5
18-19/1/83	2	29	11	19	0.69	19
22-27/1/83	6	20	20	24	1.54	26
8-10/2/83	3	17	17	8	1.49	9
12-13/2/83	2	18	12	12	1.5	12
16-18/2/83	3	10	19	17	1.74	17
20-26/2/83	7	19	13	21	1.02	21
5-14/3/83	9	20	18	13	1.85	9
22-23/3/83	2	23	15	22	0.92	22
26-30/3/83	5	20	26	29	1.28	29
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29-30/12/83	2	18	18	29	1.54	29
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1-8/12/85	8	21	22	2	1.03	6

15-18/1/86	4	<b>20</b>	20	16	0.83	17
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2-4/12/89	3	<b>18</b>	18	3	2.65	3
4-9/1/90	6	<b>20</b>	25	7	1.32	6
25-31/1/90	7	<b>20</b>	26	28	1.32	28
2-10/2/90	9	<b>19</b>	26	2	1.16	8
15-16/2/90	2	<b>18</b>	18	15	1.05	15
7-9/31/90	3	<b>18</b>	19	9	0.79	7

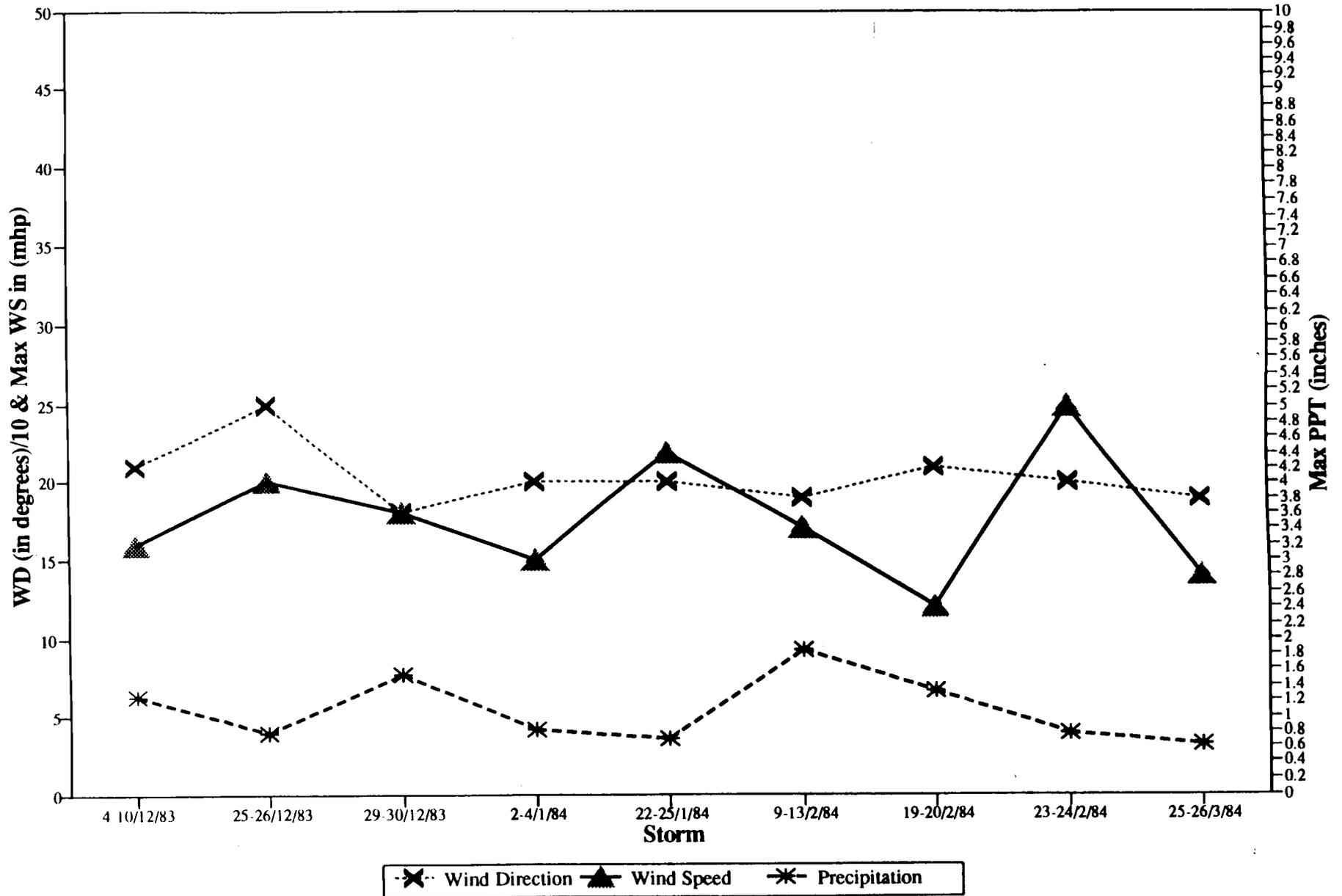
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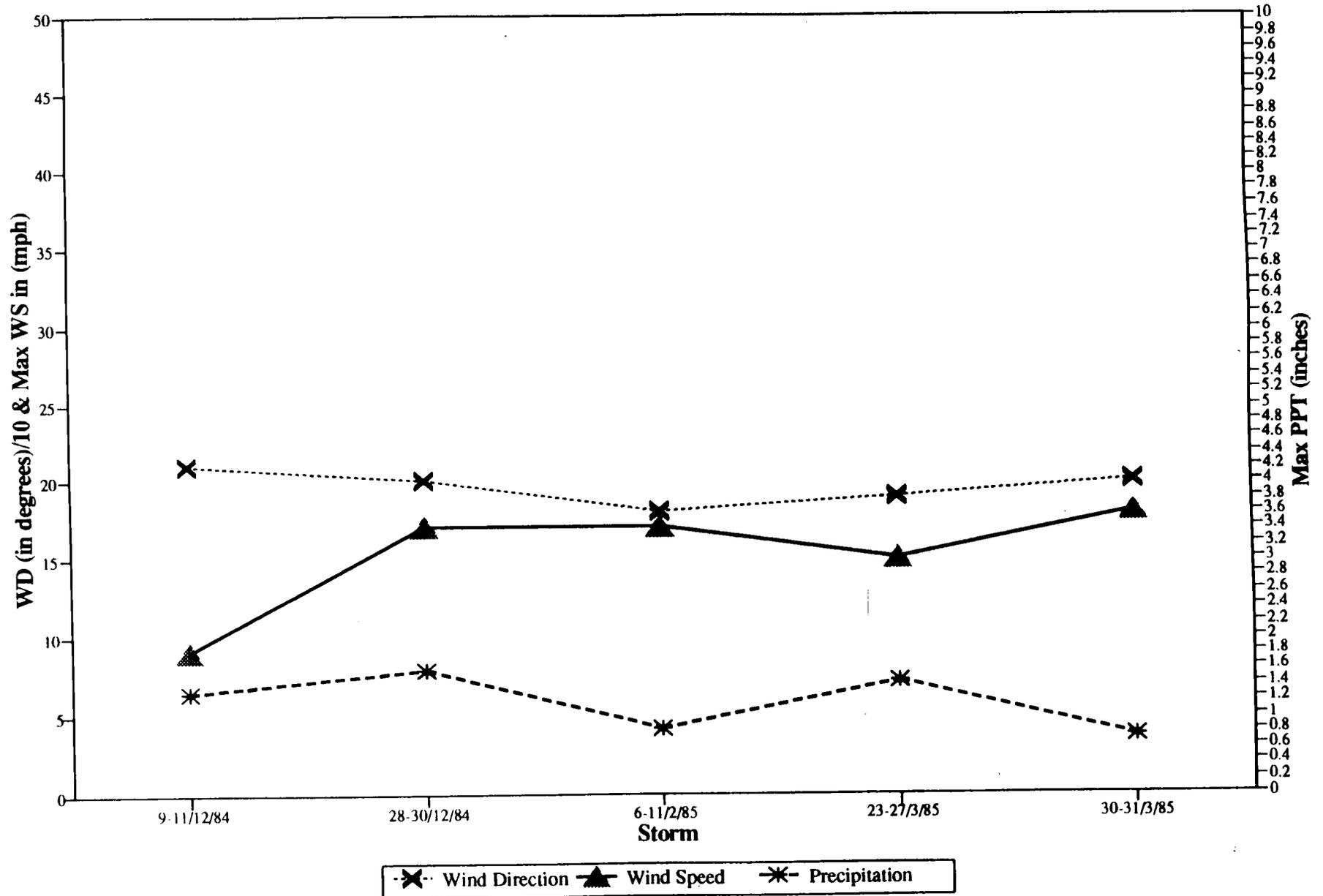
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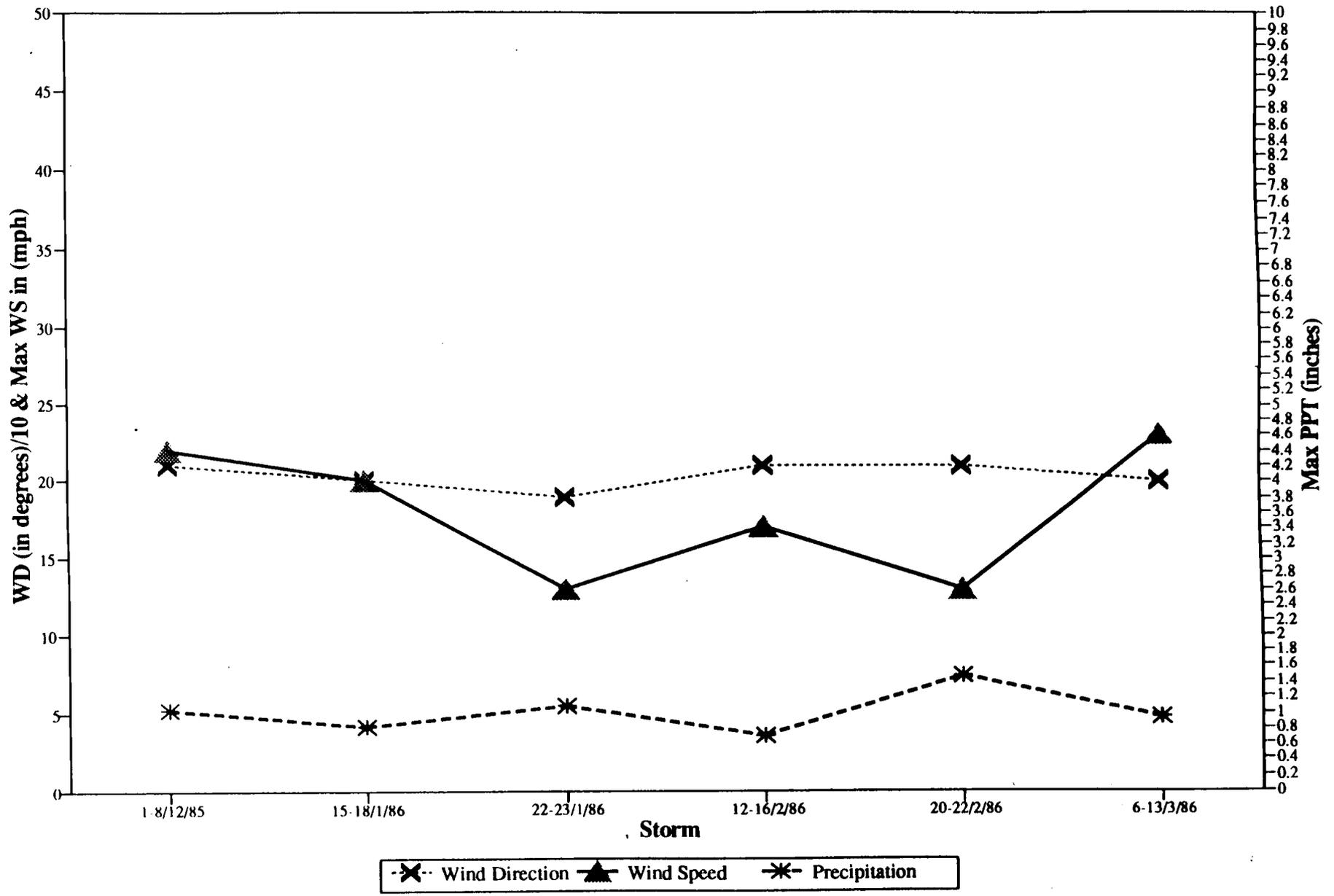
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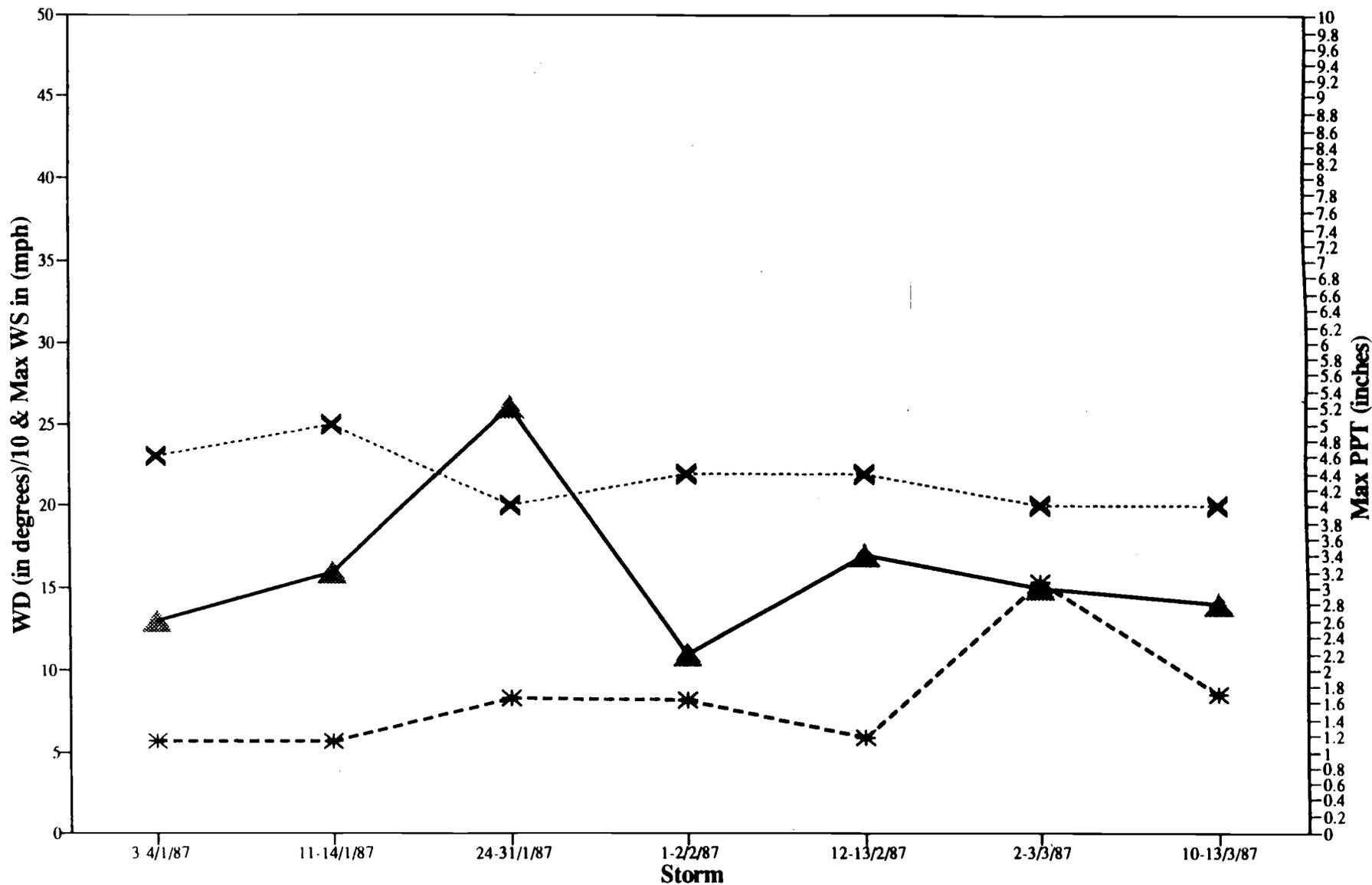
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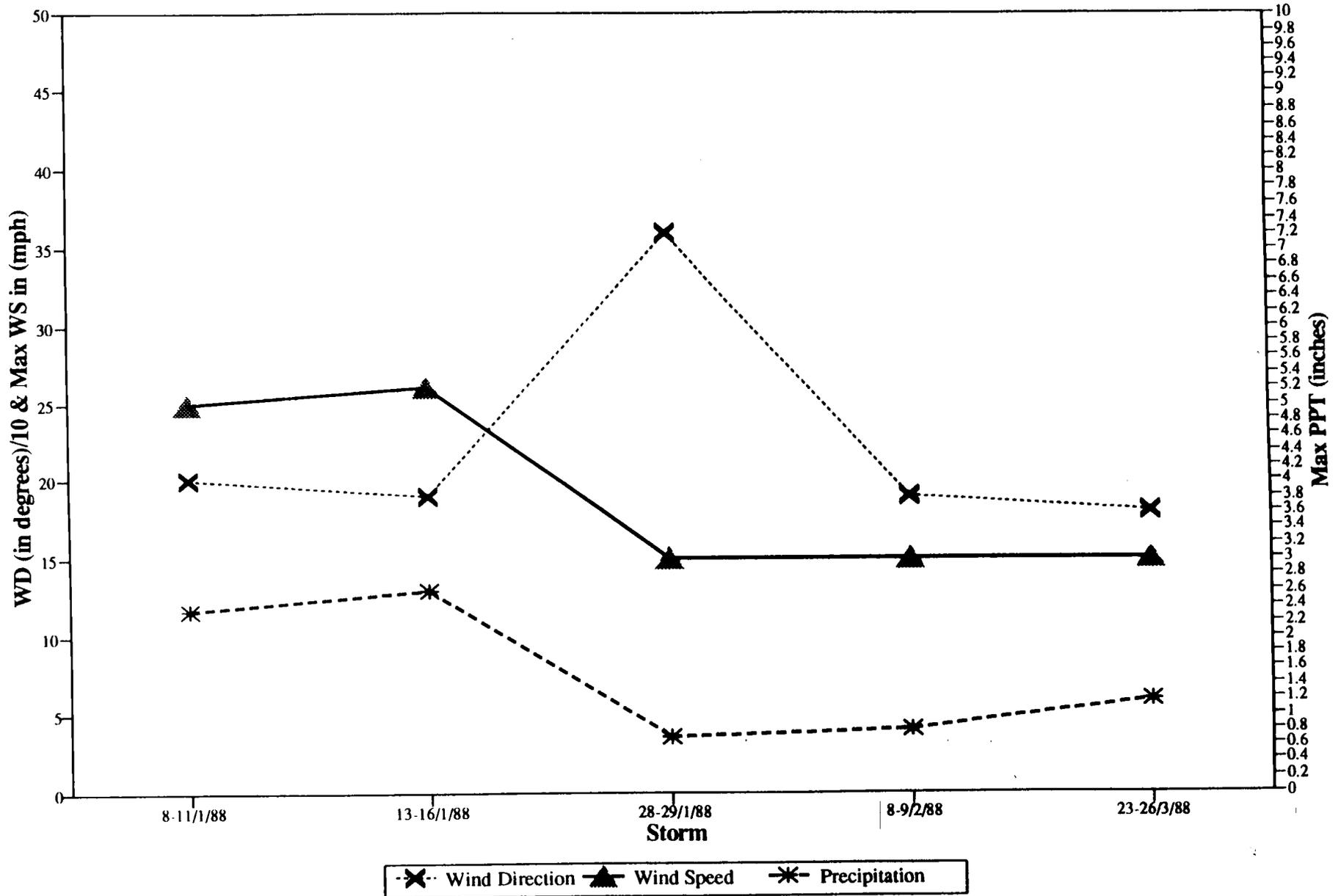


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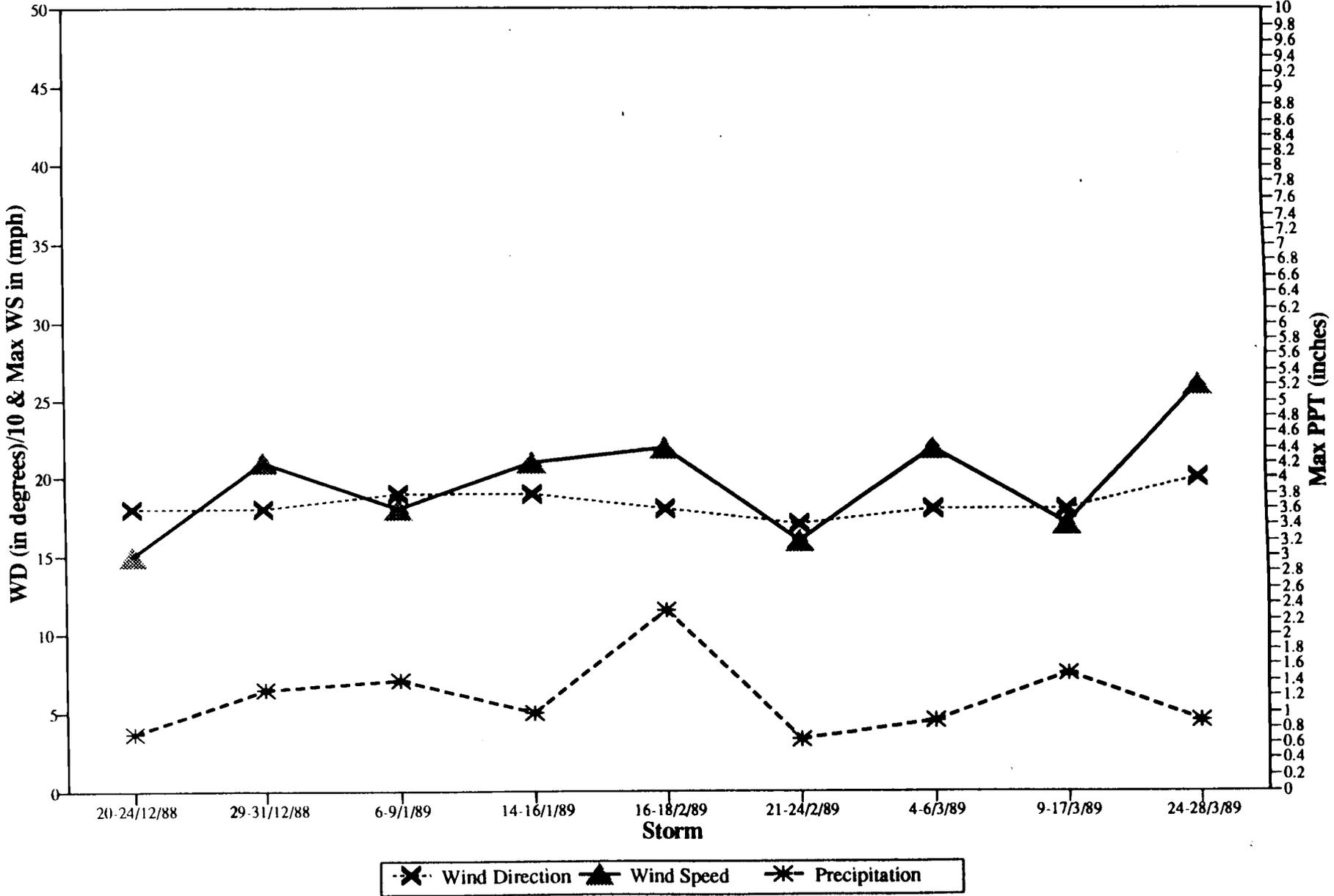


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-▲- Wind Speed
-\*- Precipitation

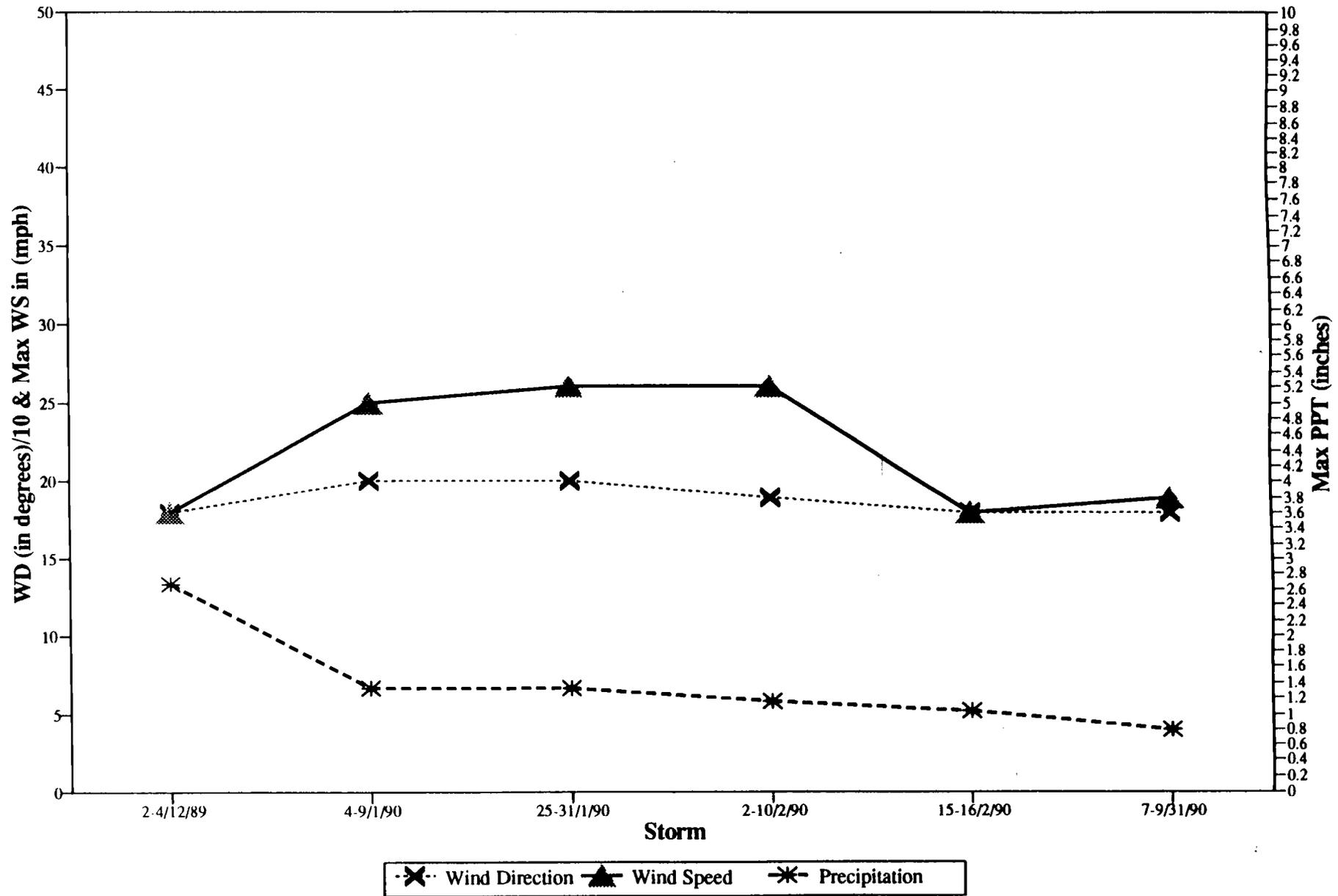
# Wind Direction, Wind Speed and PPT for Storm Events, Winter 87-88, Newport



# Wind Direction, Wind Speed and PPT for Storm Events, Winter 88-89, Newport



# Wind Direction, Wind Speed and PPT for Storm Events, Winter 89-90, Newport

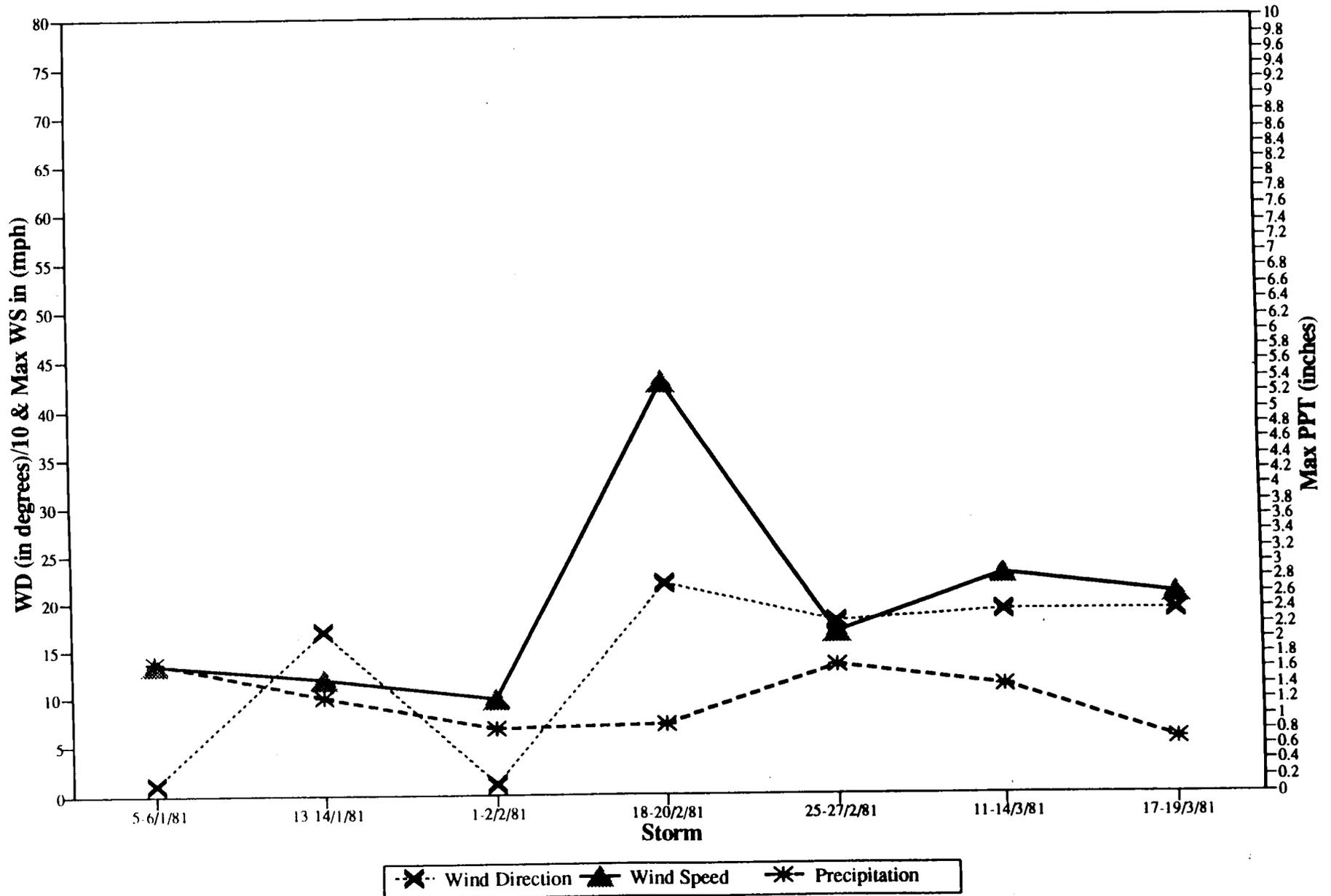


Appendix 3-C. W/D, W/S and PPT for Storm Events, Cape Blanco

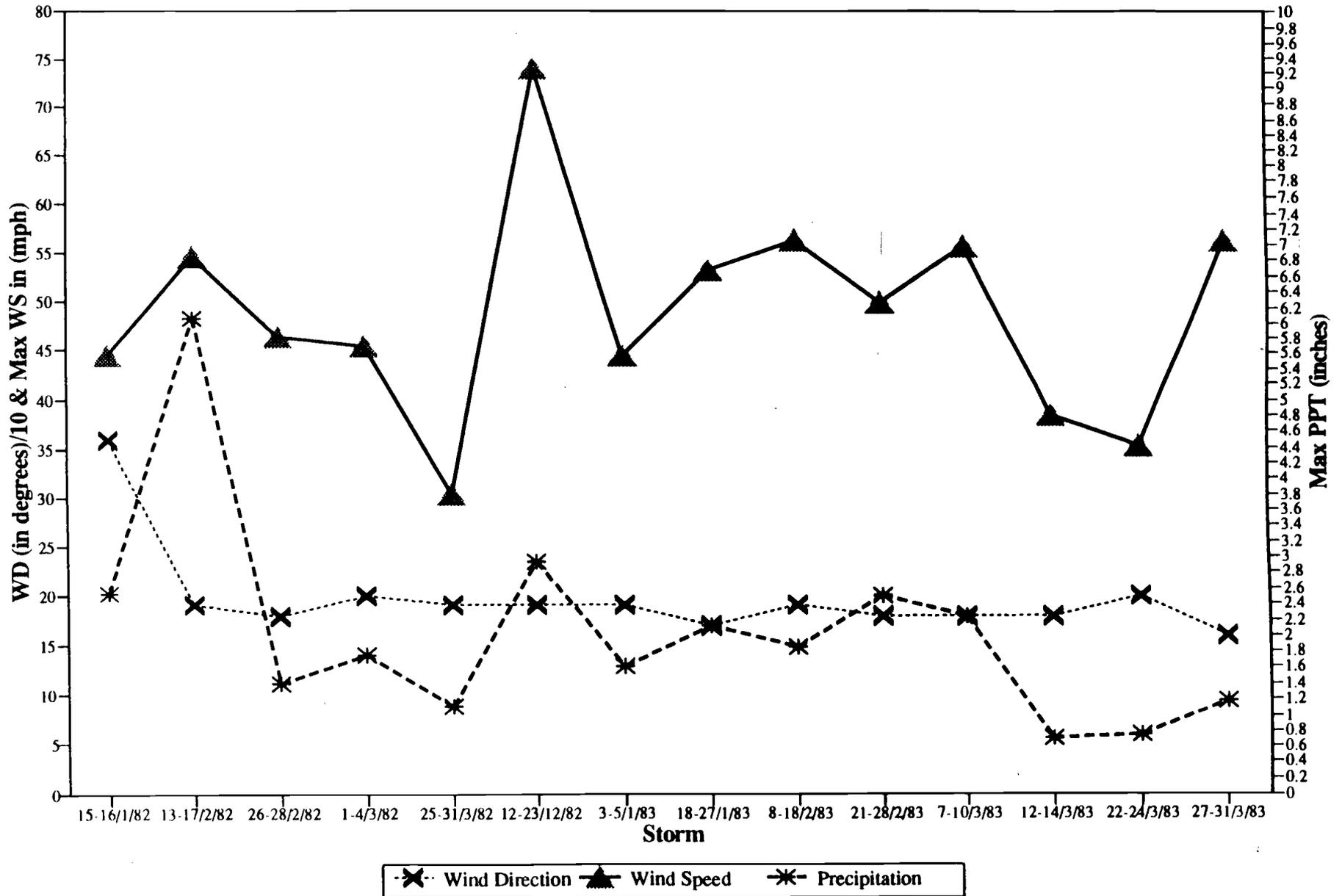
Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	Date	PPT(M)	Date
5-6/1/81	2	1	13.5	6	1.71	6
13-14/1/81	2	17	12	14	1.25	14
1-2/2/81	2	1	9.8	2	0.85	2
18-20/2/81	3	22	42.8	18	0.9	19
25-27/2/81	3	18	16.7	26	1.65	27
11-14/3/81	4	19	22.8	14	1.4	14
17-19/3/81	3	19	20.8	18	0.68	17
15-16/1/82	2	36	44.5	16	2.53	16
13-17/2/82	5	19	54.8	14	6.03	14
26-28/2/82	3	18	46.4	26	1.38	26
1-4/3/82	4	20	45.6	1	1.74	1
25-31/3/82	7	19	30.2	27	1.11	27
12-23/12/82	12	19	74	15	2.93	15
3-5/1/83	3	19	44.5	4	1.6	4
18-27/1/83	10	17	53.3	25	2.12	26
8-18/2/83	11	19	56.4	11	1.85	17
21-28/2/83	8	18	50	21	2.5	21
7-10/3/83	4	18	55.9	8	2.22	7
12-14/3/83	4	18	38.4	12	0.71	13
22-24/3/83	3	20	35.3	22	0.74	22
27-31/3/83	5	16	56.4	29	1.18	30
4-7/12/83	4	18	46.9	7	2.57	6
9-10/12/83	2	17	36.5	9	0.97	9
12-15/12/83	4	18	53.2	12	2.91	14
24-25/12/83	2	23	25.8	25	0.96	25
29-30/12/83	2	18	52.5	29	1.39	30
11-12/1/84	2	1	28.6	12	0.92	11
21-22/1/84	2	18	31.4	21	0.54	22
8-13/2/84	6	19	54.8	12	2.5	13
15-16/2/84	2	23	29.4	15	0.68	15
20-22/2/84	3	17	31.5	20	1.1	20
9-10/3/84	2	17	24.7	9	0.61	10
12-21/3/84	10	17	47.4	13	1.74	14
15-16/12/84	2	14	17	16	0.85	15
29-31/12/84	3	17	39.5	29	1.61	30
1-2/2/85	2	16	21.6	1	0.68	1
7-8/2/85	2	18	31.4	7	1.73	7
11-12/12/85	2	17	55.9	11	0.6	11
4-7/3/85	4	15	26.9	5	0.95	5
22-28/3/85	7	17	45.2	25	1.27	26
1-2/12/85	2	21	45.7	2	0.56	2

5-8/12/85	4	18	52.9	6	0.91	5
1-2/1/86	2	19	35.5	2	0.67	1
8-10/1/86	3	19	41	10	1	9
13-18/1/86	6	19	53.8	18	1.7	18
21-22/1/86	2	18	49.9	22	1.35	21
28-29/1/86	3	18	31.1	30	1.72	29
1-3/2/86	3	19	43.1	2	1.23	2
12-18/2/86	7	19	47.4	15	1.83	15
20-23/2/86	4	18	44.8	21	3.42	22
7-13/3/86	7	18	46.8	9	3.65	13
23-24/3/86	2	18	36.2	23	1.8	23
1-5/1/87	5	17	47	2	2.33	1
12-14/1/87	3	3	22.3	14	1.56	12
22-31/1/87	10	17	72	31	1.65	25
1-2/2/87	2	18	39.7	1	2.52	1
4-6/3/87	3	17	32.6	5	1.41	5
11-12/3/87	2	17	56.6	11	2	12
1-10/12/87	10	17	63.1	5	7.53	3
14-16/12/87	3	17	27.9	14	1.27	15
29-31/12/87	3	17	34.1	29	1.24	30
1-4/3/88	4	17	18.9	4	1.09	1
13-14/1/89	2	18	34.7	14	0.72	14
21-22/2/89	2	19	39.3	22	1.3	21
4-8/1/90	5	17	67.1	6	3.1	7
12-16/1/90	5	36	20	14	1.11	14

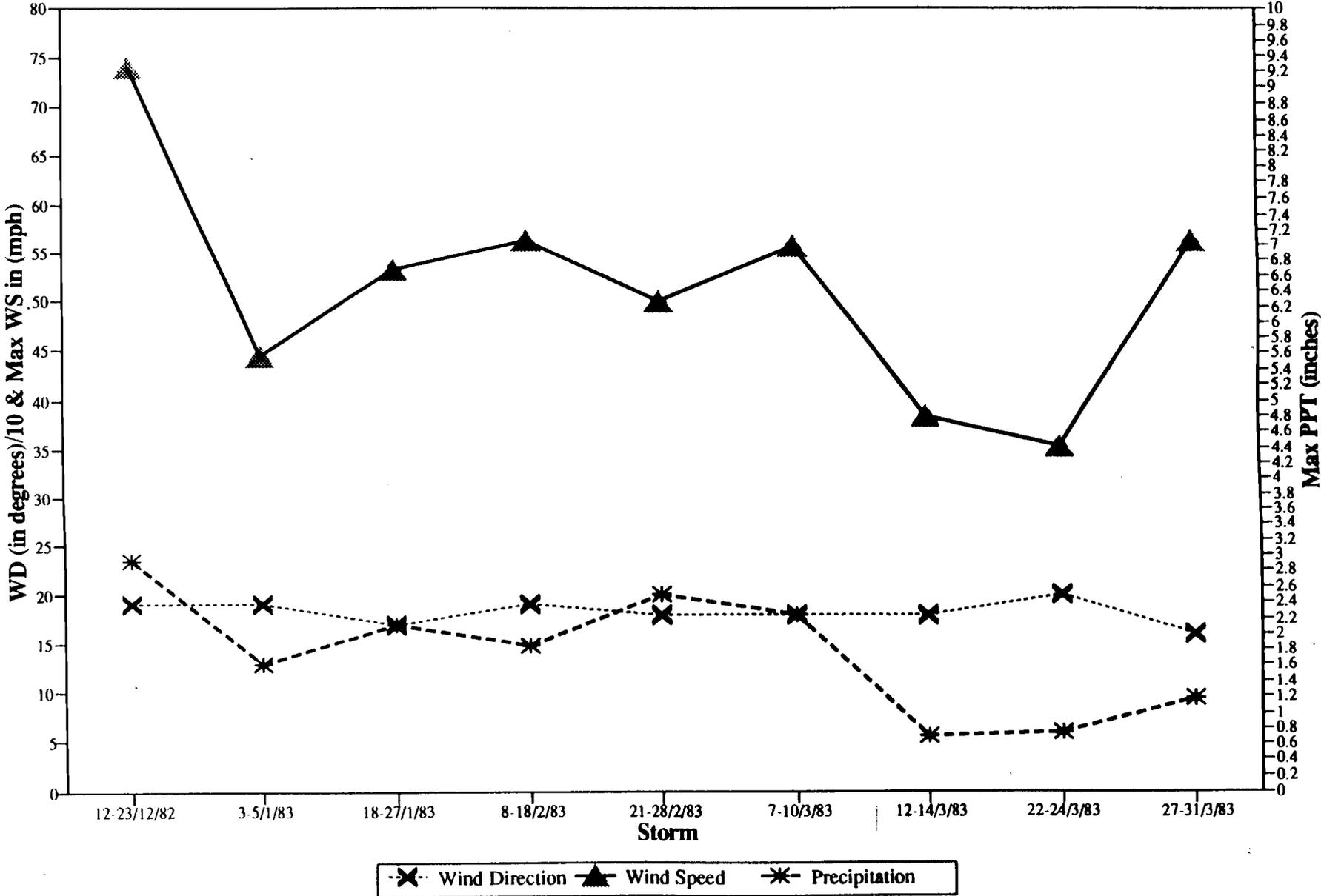
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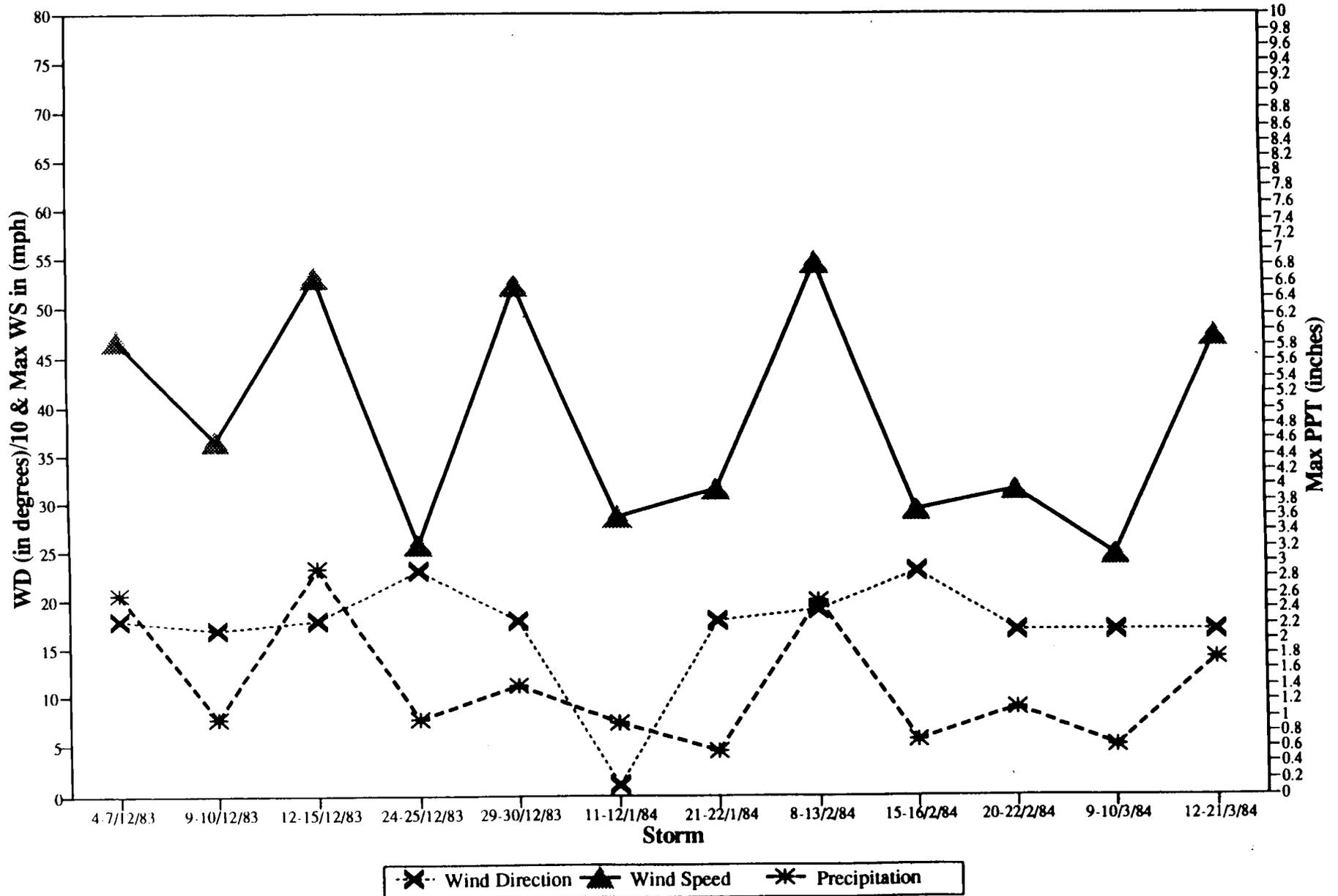
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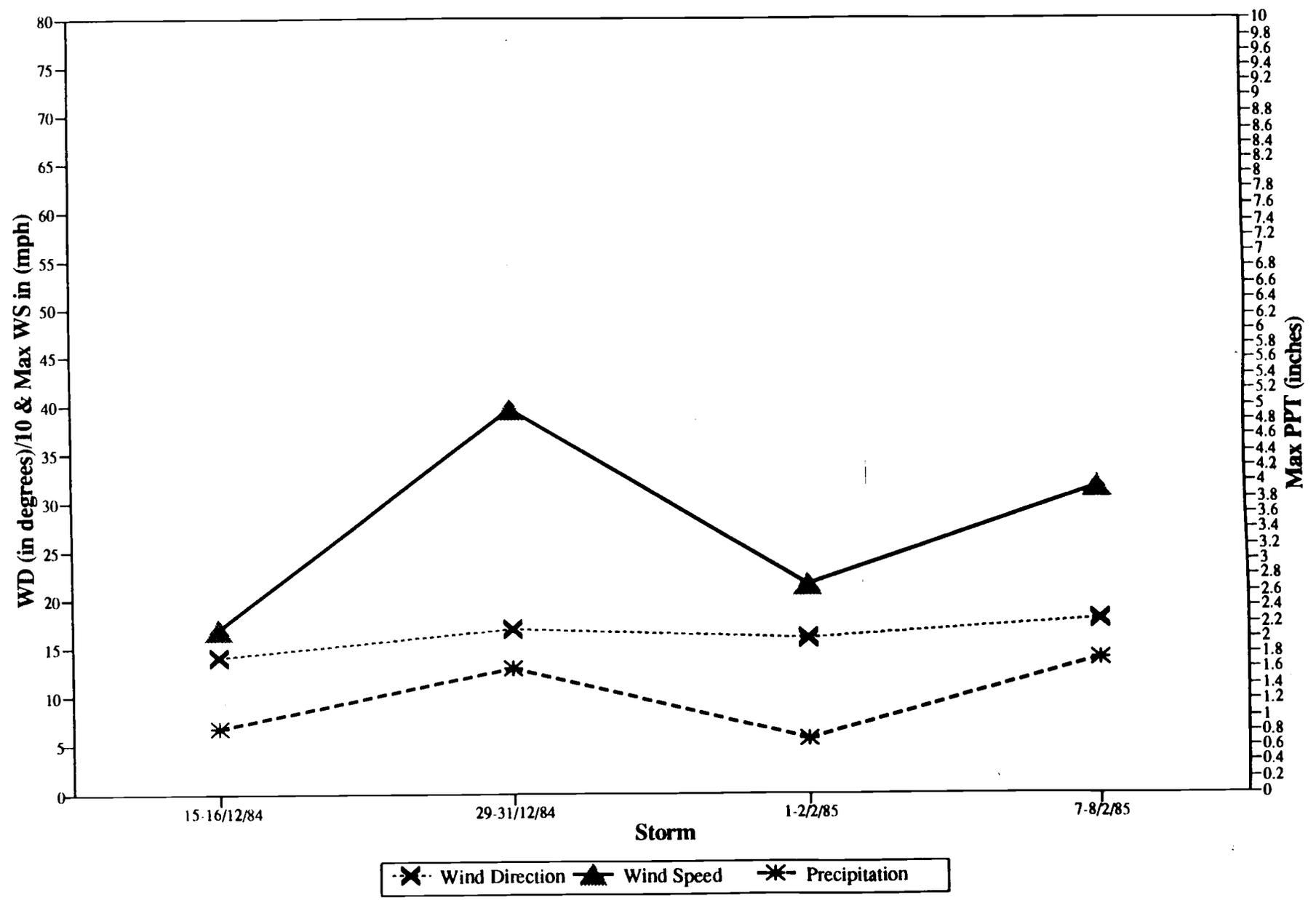
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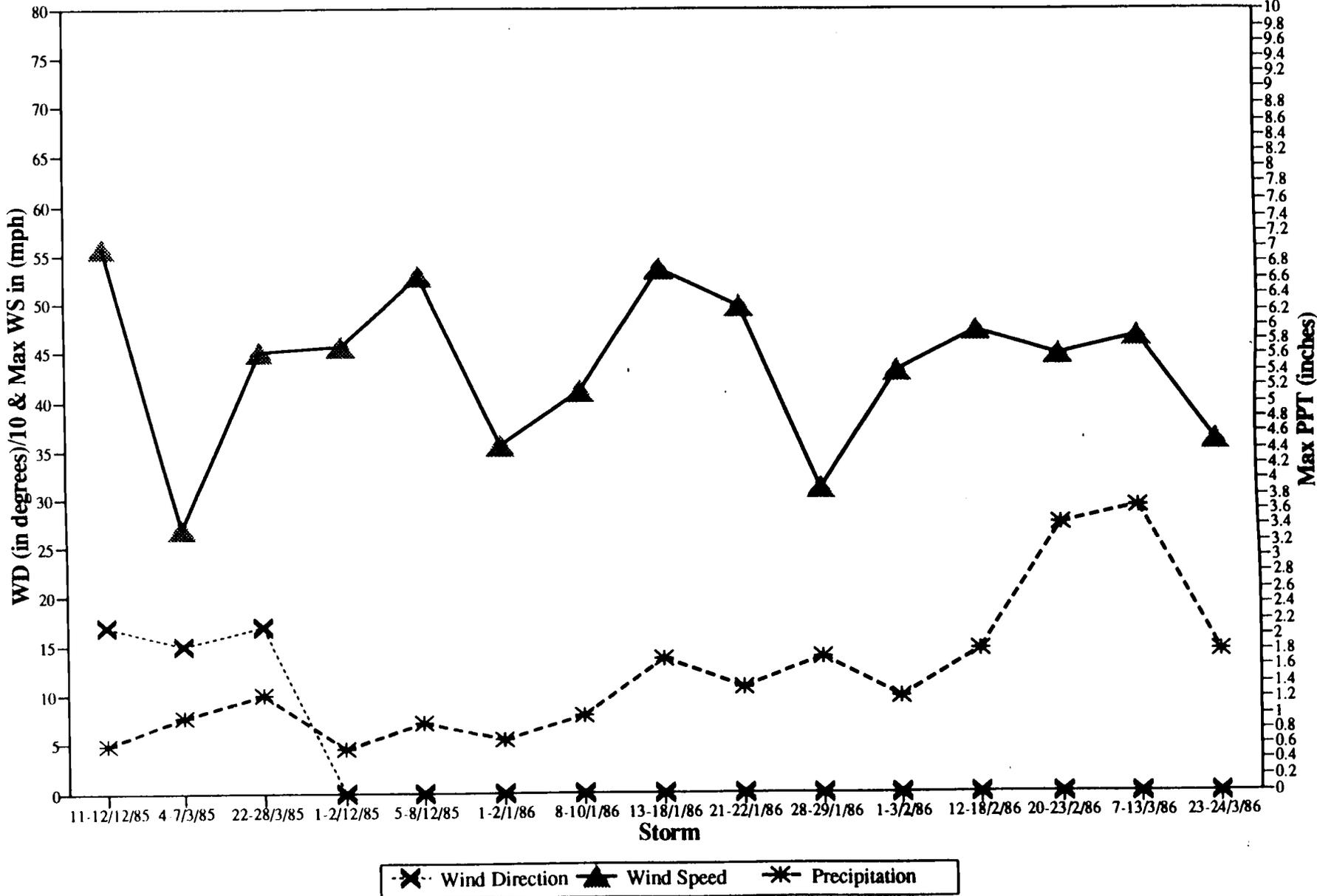
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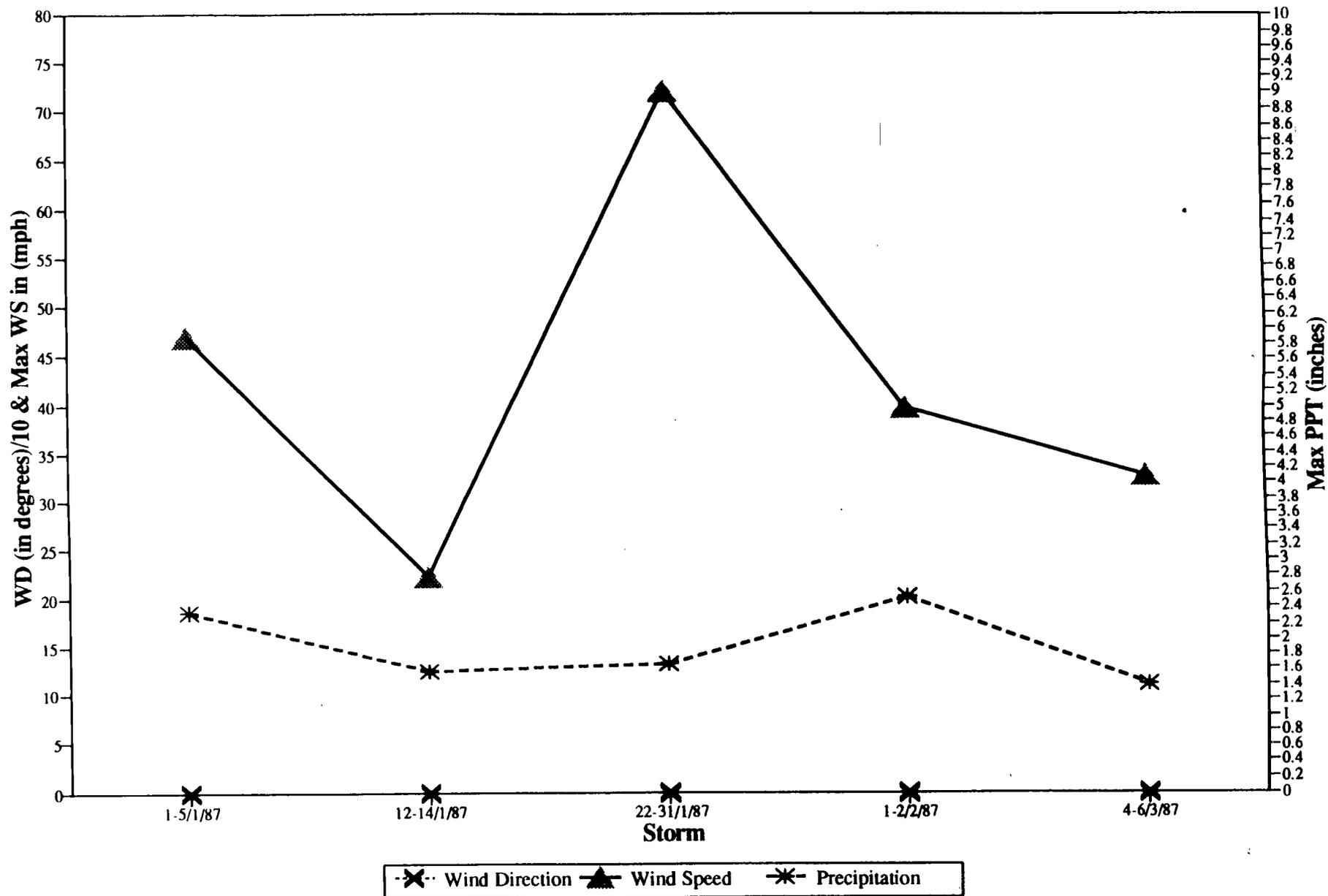
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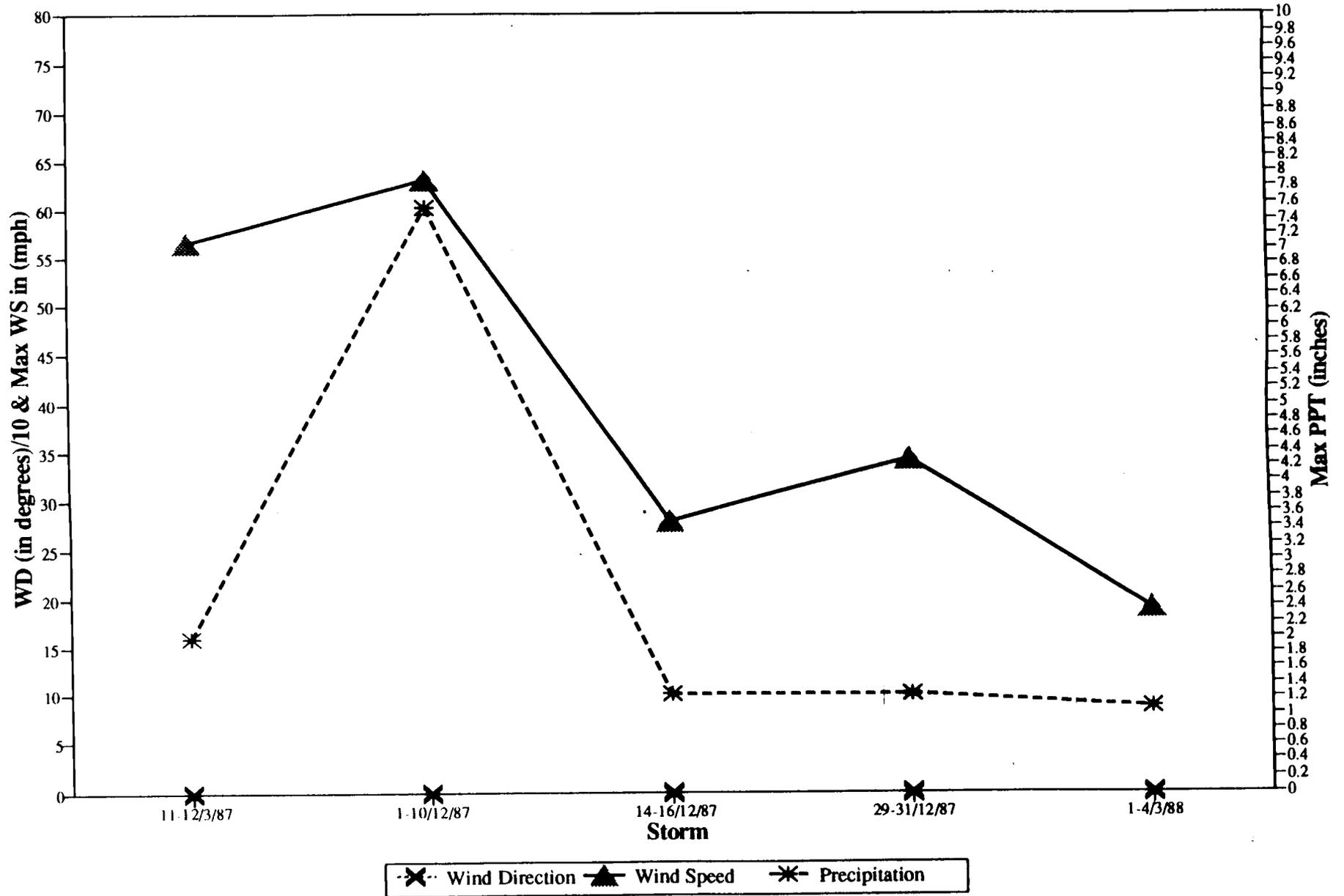
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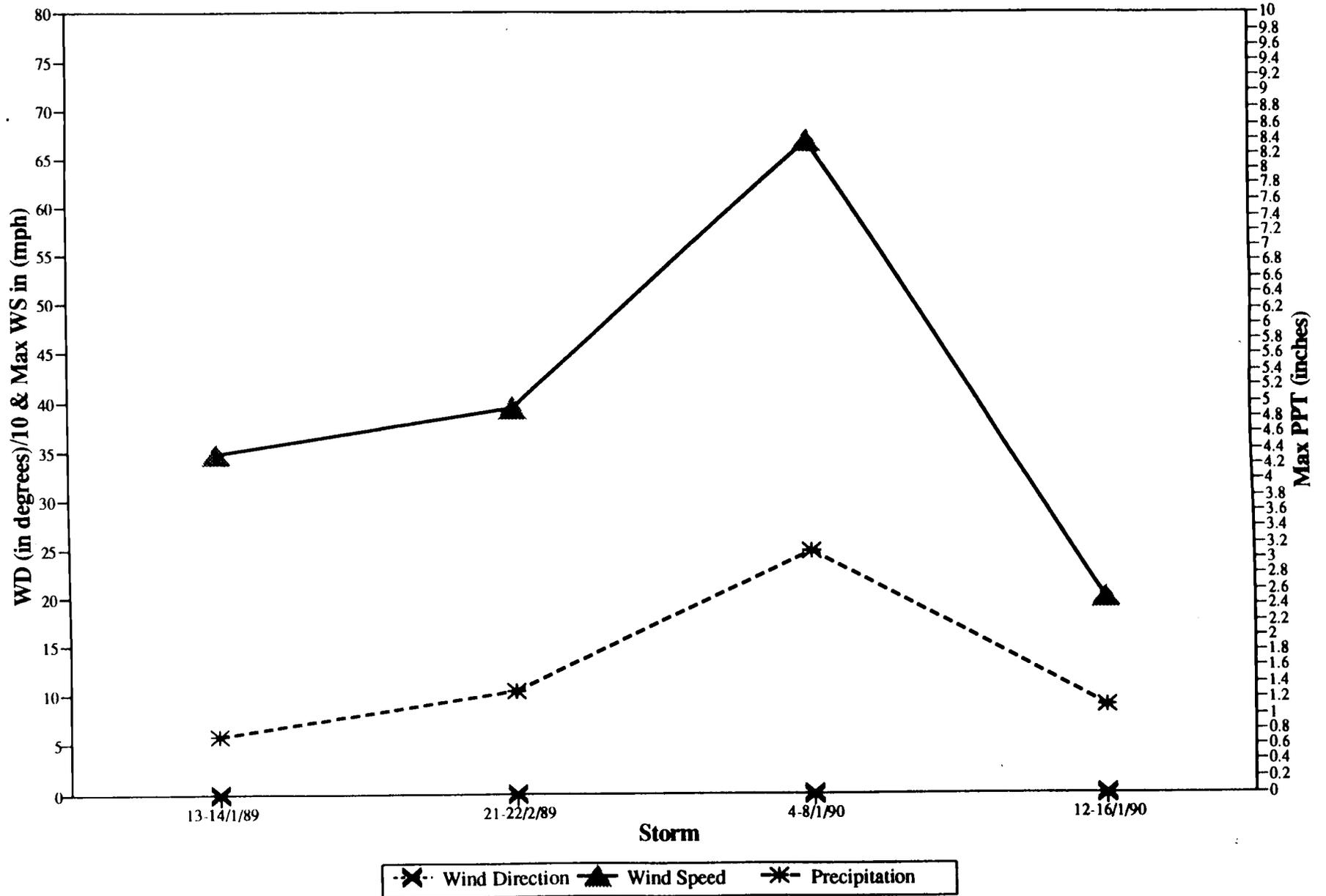
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# Wind Direction, Wind Speed and PPT for Storm Events, Winter 87-88, Cape Blanco



# Wind Direction, Wind Speed and PPT for Storm Events, Winter 89-90, Cape Blanco



Appendix 4. Discription of Monthly Storm Events by Station

Winter 81

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
1	A							
	N							
	C	5-6,13-14	4	10	13.5	6	1.71	6
2	A	11-19	9	19	21.6	16	1.93	15
	N	17-19,23-24	5	18	20	18	1.74	18
	C	1-2,18-20,25-27	8	22	42.8	18	1.65	27
3	A							
	N	23-24,29-31	5	21	14	31	1.22	30
	C	11-14,17-19	7	19	22.8	14	1.4	14

Winter 81-82

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	4-5,9-10,13-15	7	21	18	15	2.14	5
	N	1-3,4-6,14-15	7	18	18	5	3.94	5
	C	Missing						
1	A	15-17,22-23	5	19	24.3	23	3.84	23
	N	1-5,15-17,21-26	13	20	23	23	3.04	22
	C	missing						
2	A	11-22	12	18	22.9	13	1.74	13
	N	13-20,26-27	10	20	23	16	1.5	18
	C	missing						
3	A	8-9,12-14,26-29	8	18	17.4	13	1.26	29
	N	1-2,26-28	5	18	17	1	1.94	1
	C	1-4,25-31	11	20	45.6	1	1.74	1

Winter 82-83

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	2-3,13-18	8	15	22.7	3	2.58	3
	N	1-3,10-23	15	19	25	3	2.53	15
	C	missing						
1	A	2-8,24-27	11	19	16	7	15	7
	N	1-8,18-19,22-27	16	22	22	6	2.16	5
	C	3-5,17-27	13	17	53.3	25	2.12	26
2	A	8-13,	6	18	10.1	9	0.63	9
	N	8-10,12-13 16-18,20-26	15	10	19	17	1.74	17
	C	8-18,21-28	19	19	56.4	11	2.5	21
3	A	8-9,12-14 27-29	8	18	17.4	13	1.26	29
	N	5-14,22-23 26-30	16	20	26	29	1.28	29
	C	9-10,12-21	12	17	47.4	13	1.74	14

Winter Winter 83-84

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	29-30	2	11	16.5	29	2.19	29
	N	14-10,25-26 29-30	10	25	20	25	1.54	29
	C	4-7,8-10,12-15 24-25,29-30	14	18	53.2	12	2.91	14
1	A	2-4,22-25	7	20	18	24	1.65	24
	N	2-4,22-25	7	20	22	23	0.82	3
	C	missing						
2	A	9-13,19-24	11	17	16.3	9	0.96	23
	N	9-13,19-20 23-24	9	20	25	24	1.85	12
	C	8-13,15-16 20-22	11	19	54.8	12	2.5	13
3	A							
	N	25-26	2	19	14	25	0.64	25
	C	9-10,12-21	12	17	47.4	13	1.74	14

Winter 84-85

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	28-30	3	22	15.4	29	1.18	29
	N	9-11,28-30	6	20	17	29	1.57	29
	C	15=16,29-31	5	17	31.5	29	1.61	30
1	A							
	N							
	C	mising						
2	A	10-11	2	30	16.7	11	0.64	11
	N	6-11	6	18	17	11	0.82	11
	C	1-2,7-8	4	18	31.4	7	1.73	7
3	A	3-4,22-24 29-31	8	20	16.7	23	1.21	30
	N	5-14,22-23 26-30	16	20	26	29	1.85	9
	C	4-7,22-28	11	17	45.2	25	1.27	25

Winter 85-86

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	1-3	3	13	15.4	2	1.03	2
	N	1-8	8	21	22	2	1.03	6
	C	1-2,5-8	6	4	52.9	6	0.91	6
1	A	1-2,15-19,21-23,29-	13	20	31.2	18	1.73	18
	N	15-18,22-23,	6	20	20	16	1.08	22
	C	1-2,8-10,13-18 21-22,28-29	16	19	53.8	18	1.72	29
2	A	13-16,21-24	8	20	20.2	24	1.33	22
	N	12-16,20-22	8	21	17	15	1.46	22
	C	1-3,12-18,20-23	14	19	47.4	15	3.42	22
3	A	6-9	4	21	17	7	1.12	8
	N	6-13	8	20	23	7	0.94	7
	C	7-13,23-24	9	18	46.8	9	3.65	13

Winter 86-87

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	24-25,27-29	5	21	14.3	29	1.29	28
	N							
	C	missing						
1	A	1-4,11-13,25-27 30-31	12	19	16.9	31	2.7	31
	N	3-4,11-14,24-31	14	20	26	31	1.65	25
	C	1-5,12-14,22-31	18	17	22	31	2.33	1
2	A	1-2,27-28	4	21	16.6	28	1.08	28
	N	1-2,12-13	4	20	15	3	3.07	3
	C	1-2	2	18	39.7	1	2.52	1
3	A	1-3,8-10,12-14	9	19	22	3	1.68	3
	N	2-3,10-13	6	20	15	3	3.07	3
	C	4-6,11-12	5	17	56.6	11	2	12

Winter 87-88

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	1-10	10	21	26.1	9	1.04	9
	N	missing						
	C	1-10,14-16,29-31	16	17	63.1	5	7.53	3
1	A	12-16	5	20	26.3	14	1.19	14
	N	8-11,13-16,28-29	10	19	26	14	2.6	14
	C							
2	A	8-10	3	23	14.4	9	1.11	9
	N	8-9	2	19	15	9	0.79	8
	C							
3	A	4-5,22-23	8	26	18.3	22	1.73	24
	N	23-26	4	18	15	14	1.18	24
	C	1-4	4	17	18.9	4	1.09	1

Winter 88-89

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	20-21,29-30	4	21	20.4	29	2.7	29
	N	20-24,29-31	8	18	21	29	1.28	29
	C	missing						
1	A	8-10,12-17	9	21	21.2	16	1.22	16
	N	6-9,14-16	7	19	21	15	1.4	7
	C	13-14	2	18	34.7	14	0.72	14
2	A	2-11,14-15	12	22	18.3	9	2.72	9
	N	16-18,21-24	7	18	22	16	2.29	16
	C	21-22	2	19	39.3	22	1.3	21
3	A	14-17	4	20	11.5	14	1.24	15
	N	4-6,9-17,24-28	17	20	26	27	1.5	12
	C							

Winter 89-90

Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	2-4	3	20	16.7	4	2.3	4
	N	2-4	3	18	18	3	2.65	3
	C	missing						
1	A	3-9,21-22,25-29	14	23	22.1	28	4.53	9
	N	4-9,25-31	13	20	26	28	1.32	28
	C	4-8,12-16	10	17	67.1	6	3.1	7
2	A	2-11,14-15	12	22	18.3	9	2.72	9
	N	2-10,15-16	11	19	26	2	1.16	8
	C	missing						
3	A	5-10	16	22	13.4	8	1.39	6
	N	7-9	3	18	19	9	0.79	7
	C	missing						
90								
Month	Station	Storm	Days	W/D	W/S(M)	at date	PPT(M)	at date
12	A	3-5	3	22	19.4	4	1.03	4

## Appendix 5. Change of WD for Storm Events, for 3 Stations

Storm	WD befor	Beginin	End	WD after	at W/S (M)	W/D(M)
4-5/12/81	270	150	200	160	200	13.7
9-10/12/81	70	70	200	60	200	13.8
13-15/12/81	70	110	210	70	210	18.4
1-3/12/81	240	280	200	190	180	15
5-6/12/81	190	180	180	300	180	18
14-15/12/81	90	180	260	10	230	14
2-3/12/82	180	190	150	80	150	22.7
13-18/12/82	60	160	170	100	180	17.8
1-3/12/82	210	300	190	80	190	25
12-23/12/82	70	190	320	80	200	23
4-10/12/83	340	190	250	80	210	16
25-26/12/83	90	250	100	90	250	20
29-30/12/83	60	110	190	70	110	16.5
4-7/12/83	30	110	180	70	180	46.9
9-10/12/83	30	190	180	30	180	46.9
12-15/12/83	30	180	230	10	180	53.2
24-25/12/83	30	180	230	180	180	25.8
29-30/12/83	180	180	210	120	230	52.5
28-30/12/84	250	230	260	70	180	15.4
9-11/12/84	80	210	270	340	220	9
28-30/12/83	90	350	220	60	210	17
15-16/12/84	30	140	140	20	200	17
29-31/12/84	200	170	10	20	140	39.5
1-3/12/85	310	170	190	110	170	15.7
1-8/12/85	210	200	360	90	210	22
1-2/12/85	160	110	190	40	180	52.6
5-8/12/85	160	110	190	40	180	52.6
24-25/12/86	190	180	100	90	100	9.3
27-29/12/86	90	100	210	100	210	14.3
1-10/12/87	60	190	260	40	210	26.1
1-10/12/87	60	170	210	190	170	32.6
14-16/12/87	170	170	170	190	170	56.6
29-31/12/87		190	210	30	150	63.1
20-21/12/88	270	210	170	60	210	9.2
29-30/12/88	110	210	220	110	180	20.4
20-24/12/88	50	180	320	70	180	23
29-31/12/88	50	180	300	180	180	30
2-4/12/89	90	100	200	120	200	16.7
2-4/12/89	70	170	200	70	180	27
3-5/12/90	160	160	220	100	220	19.4
5-6/1/81	300	170	170	170	100	13.5
13-14/1/81	160	210	170	150	170	12
15-17/1/82	230	200	220	70	200	19
22-23/1/82	280	170	190	90	190	19
1-5/1/82	340	190	360	90	280	13
16-17/1/82	190	220	240	360	240	17
21-26/1/82	70	360	210	170	200	23
3-5/1/83	180	180	180	190	190	44.5
18-27/1/83	180	180	190	170	170	53.3
2-8/1/83	70	160	250	200	190	16
24-27/1/83	100	150	250	70	130	9.2
1-8/1/83	90	220	220	190	220	22
18-19/1/83	200	140	290	90	290	11
22-27/1/83	70	210	190	80	200	20
2-4/1/84	70	70	200	350	180	16.7
22-25/1/84	110	220	240	170	190	16.9
2-4/1/84	90	190	210	90	200	150
22-25/1/84	220	190	300	230	200	22
11-12/1/84	180	220	200	100	200	20.2
21-22/1/84	220	180	150	10	180	31.4
15-19/1/86	130	250	180	160	180	11.6
21-23/1/86	80	150	200	160	200	31.2
29-31/1/86	80	160	110	180	160	9.6
15-18/1/86	90	200	200	90	200	20
22-23/1/86	70	190	220	80	190	13
1-2/1/86	200	190	190	110	190	35.5
8-10/1/86	180	180	180	180	180	39.4
13-18/1/86	180	170	190	30	190	53.8
21-22/1/86	140	180	180	220	100	49.9
28-29/1/86	30	180	180	180	180	31.1
1-4/1/87	210	160	150	100	160	16.5
11-13/1/87	80	180	250	70	230	14.2
25-27/1/87	100	200	210	130	210	17.2
30-31/1/87	130	170	190	210	190	16.9
3-4/1/87	170	230	310	150	230	13
11-14/1/87	60	200	210	80	250	16
24-31/1/87	110	180	200	180	210	22
1-5/1/87	170	180	150	360	180	31.6
12-14/1/87	360	170	300	300	300	22.3
22-31/1/87	100	170				
12-16/1/88	100	160	200	120	200	26.3
8-11/1/89	80	180	220	290	200	25
13-16/1/88	290	190	200	70	190	29
28-29/1/88	80	200	220	80	360	19
8-10/1/89	100	210	290	230	210	13.9
12-17/1/89	230	170	230	90	210	21.2
6-9/1/89	310	290	290	330	190	26
14-16/1/89	330	180	190	210	190	26

1-3-14/1/89	100	200	190	300	180	42.8
3-9/1/90	290	190	210	90	210	17.6
21-22/1/90	170	180	280	90	240	15.3
25-29/1/90	90	220	220	320	230	22.1
4-8/1/90	300	140	180	200	170	67.1
12-16/1/90	170	180	200	300	180	18.8
4-9/1/90	170	180	180	60	200	25
25-31/1/90	70	180	170	270	200	26
1-19/2/81	90	140	210	80	190	22.6
18-20/2/81	220	220	300	50	220	42.6
25-27/2/81	150	110	180	130	180	16.7
1-2/2/81	100	100	100	200	100	9.8
11-12/2/82	50	120	230	110	210	19.4
13-20/2/82	60	210	340	210	220	23
26-27/2/82	60	230	190	80	190	13
13-17/2/82	180	180	190		190	54.8
26-28/2/82		180	230	200	180	46.4
8-13/2/83	50	180	190	120	170	10.6
8-10/2/83	100	170	180	200	200	15
12-13/2/83	200	180	220	200	180	12
16-18/2/83	200	210	300	180	100	19
20-26/2/83	180	190	190	100	190	13
8-18/2/83	110	200	180	300	190	56.4
21-28/2/83	110	200	180	300	190	56.4
9-13/2/84	70	150	120	90	170	16.3
19-24/2/84	70	180	270	90	80	13.4
9-13/2/84	80	190	270	160	190	17
19-20/2/84	130	170	210	340	210	12
23-24/2/84	180	180	200	330	200	25
8-13/2/84	180	190	210		190	54.8
15-16/2/84		230	160	150	230	29.4
20-22/2/84	170	170	190	170	170	31.7
10-11/2/85	160	220	200	50	200	16.7
6-11/2/85	80	210	340	70	180	17
1-2/2/85	190	160		170	160	21.6
7-8/2/85	170	180	200	100	170	55.9
13-16/2/86	80	80	250	70	200	19.3
21-24/2/86	90	200	160	80	210	17.2
12-16/2/86	60	210	350	90	210	17
20-22/2/86	70	110	200	90	190	13
1-3/2/86	180	180	180	40	180	37.2
12-18/2/86	40	210	300	300	190	47.4
20-23/2/86	300	190	180	30	180	44.8
1-2/2/87	200	160	120	110	210	17.2
27-28/2/87	170	250	190	210	180	17.1
1-2/2/87	200	180	220	180	220	11
12-13/2/87	60	200	220	90	220	17
1-2/2/87	170	180	190	170	170	53.4
8-10/2/88	140	200	210	110	230	14.4
8-9/2/88	60	190	190	200	190	21
16-18/2/89	50	160	180	90	180	19.1
21-23/2/89	90	150	150	130	190	19.5
16-18/2/89	190	180	180	70	180	25
21-24/2/89	70	180	180	20	180	19
21-22/2/89	180	180	190	190	190	39.3
2-11/2/90	240	200	290	70	200	19.7
14-15/2/90	70	160	230	170	230	10.8
2-10/2/90	270	190	190	310	190	26
15-16/2/90	160	180	190	340	180	18
23-24/3/81	190	180	180	360	180	14
29-31/3/81	320	240	200	190	190	15
11-14/3/81	330	190	190	50	190	23.4
17-19/3/81	50	180	220	130	180	20.8
1-2/3/82	80	180	190	310	180	17
26-28/3/82	190	210	190	230	210	14
1-4/3/82			200	50	200	45.6
25-31/3/82	200	200	250		190	30.2
8-9/3/83	110	170	190	110	170	10.4
12-14/3/83	110	160	190	60	180	17.4
27-29/3/83	100	170	180	200	180	14.4
5-14/3/83	360	200	200	180	200	17
22-23/3/83	180	190	130	70	200	18
26-30/3/83	320	150	210	160	200	26
7-10/3/83	180	200	200	180	180	55.9
12-14/3/83	180	180	220	100	180	38.4
22-24/3/83	170	200	330	180	200	35.3
27-31/3/83	150	170	190	180	160	56.4
25-26/3/83	340	190	320	320	190	14
9-10/3/84	170	170	180	170	170	24.7
12-21/3/84	170	200	220	330	170	47.5
3-4/3/85	310	180	170	150	170	9.7
22-24/3/85	200	240	220	170	200	16.7
29-31/3/85	310	170	200	100	210	15.7
23-27/3/85	220	190	190	330	190	15
30-31/3/85	210	200	200	190	210	22
4-7/3/85	160	180	160	170	150	26.9
22-28/3/85	30	170	350	140	190	45.2
6-9/3/86	210	160	130	140	130	10.9
6-13/3/86	200	190	300	180	200	23
7-13/3/86	20	180	180	40	180	46.8
23-24/3/86	40	190	230	180	180	36.2
1-3/3/87	60	250	190	210	180	17.1