## AND THE RAINS... April 27, 2011

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Gray days just now and rain, rain, rain. In this (not so great) picture of Mitchell Creek here in Big Rapids where I live you can see this very small creek has overflowed its banks and become almost a river. In the middle of the photo is a sign on the other bank. Somewhere under all that water is the footbridge that we cross the creek on to get to the other side, now under some feet of water.

The main creek flows to the right in this photo and then turns left, but if you look straight ahead you can see another creek which is really a flooded footpath that has now become a new creek between the main one and where it eventually angles left.

The rain is turning everything green and when it eventually stops my bet is that mushrooms are out and so will be collectors.

Somewhere in the late 1986 we got 13 inches of rain in 24 hours and this same creek became so large that the entire areas was flooded, taking out buildings, football fields, and everything in its path.

