

Weather Girls

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AUDIO SKETCH

Characters

Amber – Based loosely on Suzanna Reid

Rylan – Based loosely on James Dreyfus, PC Goody in the Thin Blue Line

Dan Watering – Stereotypical Dutch Comedy Character

SCENE 1.

INT. STUDIO. DAY.

INTRO MUSIC, I DON'T CARE WHAT THE WEATHER MAN SAYS .

AMBER ALOPICIA: Hello and welcome to another episode of The Weather Girls and have we got news for you! Today we're talking about Geo-Engineering and our intrepid correspondent Rylan is out in the field. Let's find out where in the world he is! Are you there Rylan?

EXT. FIELD. DAY.

FX. WINDY DAY _____.

RYLAN ROGERS: Yes Amber, in all my glory. I'm in the Netherlands, where hundreds of windmills, thousands of tulips and about 23 million bicycles blot the landscape. It's grey, wet, cold, and I am actually in a field. I'd like to know who chose this location. I'm not saying that it's all flat but even you've got more shape than this landscape!

INT. STUDIO. DAY.

FX. _____ BACKGROUND STUDIO NOISE _____.

AMBER: (Off) Mother F...(Pause) Ha, ha. Always the comedian. What can you tell us about the exciting work being done in Holland Rylan?

EXT. FIELD. DAY.

FX. WINDY DAY

RYLAN: Well, I'm *thrilled* to say I'm here with Dan Watering, CEO of Geld Voor Wolken, which *strangely* translates to 'cash for clouds' in English. Well blow me! Dan, perhaps you can tell us what your company does and how it's supposed to benefit mankind?

DAN WATERING: Yes, thank you Rylan. We are injecting reflective Nanoparticles into the atmosphere to reflect the harmful sun's rays from the Earth. This will see a massive decrease in Carbon Dioxide, which as we all know is destroying the planet.

RYLAN: Right... Aaand you don't think blocking sunlight and interfering with the atmosphere could have any negative impacts on the environment or mankind?

DAN: Oh, no, not at all. Our sponsor's scientists assure us it's a perfectly safe and effective way to lower our carbon footprint. If successful, we are going to be putting a giant umbrella into space to block out sunlight permanently.

FX. STRONGER GUSTS OF WIND,

RYLAN: (Raised voice) Well, that all sounds incredibly stupid to me! How much sunlight do you get in Holland?

DAN: (Raised voice).About 2000 hours on average.

RYLAN: (Raised voice). So only about 80 days? A year?

DAN: (Raised voice). Yes, I know it doesn't sound like much.

FX. STRONG WING WITH DRIVING RAIN

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RYLAN: (Shouting). Because it isn't?

INT. STUDIO. DAY.

AMBER: (Off. Where's he going with this?) Rylan! Perhaps you should ask what indications are there that the program is working.

EXT. FIELD. DAY.

FX. DRIVING RAIN ON UMBRELLAS

RYLAN: Are you taking this piss?

DAN: Erm, initial results indicate we are reflecting up to 80 percent of the sun's rays and maintaining temperatures around 10 degrees lower than normal, so yes it is very effective.

RYLAN: Oh for goodness sake, look at this shit! We need natural sunlight, I don't like the cold or the wet UV beds at the gym just make me feel dirty, and don't plants need sunlight?

INT. STUDIO. DAY.

FX. BACKGROUND STUDIO NOISE

AMBER: Let's leave the science to the experts Rylan, why don't you ask Dan what benefits we'll be seeing in the future?

EXT. FIELD. DAY.

FX. DRIVING RAIN ON UMBRELLAS

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RYLAN: I would if I could hear myself think, I'm getting a migraine.

FX. LOUD CRASH OF THUNDER AND LIGHTNING.

Let's wrap this up, I'll not be seen dead in an anorak! So this what we can expect from you meddling with nature is it Dan?

DAN: This has nothing to do with us.

FX. MORE THUNDER, LIGHTNING, STRONGER WINDS.

RYLAN: It's fucking August Dan! Watering by name and by nature! Don't you dare suggest this has nothing to do with all the shit you're spraying around up there!

INT. STUDIO. DAY.

FX. BACKGROUND STUDIO NOISE.

AMBER: THANK YOU RYLAN! Storm Zeta has been tracked by satellite from South Africa bringing with it heavy rain and strong, sand-laden winds to most of Europe, clearly climate change at work. Let's hope Dan Watering and experts like him can bring some well needed balance to our weather in the future.

EXT. FIELD. DAY.

RYLAN: Yes, thank you, Dr Evil. This has been Rylan Rogers reporting from Holland where there are now more dykes springing leaks than there are little boys to stick fingers in! I'm going to get my brows threaded before climate change ruins that as well!

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