

National Predictive Services Forecast

California South Ops

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Predictive Service Area (PSA)	Tue 12 Mar	Wed 13 Mar	Thu 14 Mar	Fri 15 Mar	Sat 16 Mar	Sun 17 Mar	Mon 18 Mar
SC01 - Eastern Sierra							
SC02 - Central Sierra							
SC03 - Southern Sierra							
SC04 - Sierra Foothills							
SC05 - Central Valley							
SC06 - Central Coast Interior							
SC07 - Central Coast							
SC08 - South Coast							
SC09 - Western Mountains							
SC10 - Eastern Mountains							
SC11 - Southern Mountains							
SC12 - Lower Deserts							
SC13 - Eastern Deserts							
SC14 - Central Mojave							
SC15 - Upper Deserts							
SC16 - Northern Deserts							

Weather Discussion

· A Pacific trough will remain over the West Coast today. An area of low pressure will form over Idaho Wednesday morning and then drop south reaching the Colorado River by Thursday morning. This low will then sit and spin in place through early next week, but it will weaken this weekend.

· Southwest to northwest winds of 20 to 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph will surface across the mountain

ridges and desert passes through tonight.

- Scattered showers will move across Central California from a Monterey/Fresno County line northward through this afternoon.
- Most locations will receive less than a quarter inch of additional rainfall.
- The snow level will be between 6,000 and 7,000 feet.
- North winds of 20 to 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph will surface across Santa Barbara County and the Grapevine Wednesday night.
- Northeast winds of 20 to 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph will surface across the mountains and below the canyons and passes of Southern California Thursday.
- Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms will occur over the Sierra and over Southern California Thursday afternoon through early next week.
- Most locations will receive less than a quarter inch of rainfall, but some mountain and high desert locations may receive up to an inch of rainfall.
- The snow level will be between 5,000 and 6,000 feet late this week and then increase to between 7,000 and 8,000 feet by early next week.
- Temperatures will be 5 to 10 degrees below normal through Friday, with 40s to low 50s across the mountains and upper 50s and 60s in the valleys.
- Temperatures will slowly warm Saturday through early next week, with near normal temperatures by early next week.

For NWS Red Flag Warnings/Fire Weather Watches, please visit [California Fire Weather](https://www.weather.gov/wrh/CAFW). (<https://www.weather.gov/wrh/CAFW>)

Fuels/Fire Discussion

- There will be little or no fire activity across the region through the forecast period.

Resource Discussion

SouthOps Preparedness Level 1

NorthOps Preparedness Level 1

National Preparedness Level 1

MACS Mode SOPS 2... NOPS 2

For more information about this product, please go to:

http://gacc.nifc.gov/oscc/predictive/outlooks/7-Day_Documentation.pdf (http://gacc.nifc.gov/oscc/predictive/outlooks/7-Day_Documentation.pdf)

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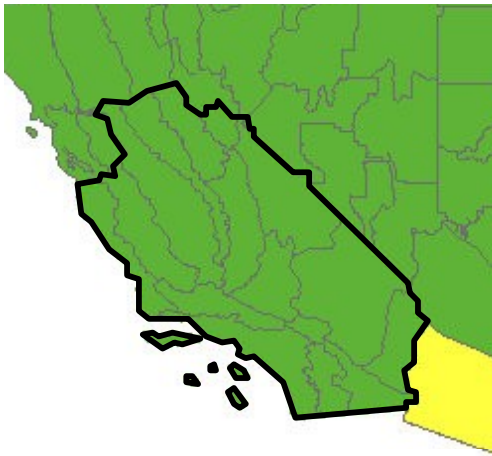
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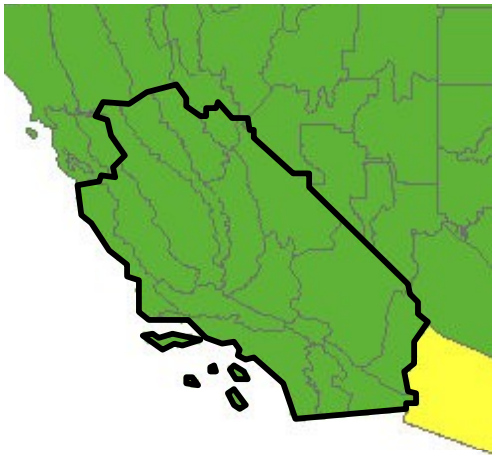
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