

National Predictive Services Forecast

California South Ops

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Predictive Service Area (PSA)	Fri 26 Apr	Sat 27 Apr	Sun 28 Apr	Mon 29 Apr	Tue 30 Apr	Wed 1 May	Thu 2 May
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

· An inside slider trough will move through California today. Weak high pressure will be over Central and Southern California this weekend through late next week while a couple of weak troughs move through Northern California. High pressure will likely weaken late next week and a troughing pattern will return, but low

confidence in timing and strength.

- Temperatures today will likely be the coolest over the next 7 days and remaining below normal. Valley highs will range in the 60s to low 70s, 80s in the low desert, and mostly 50s in the lower mountains.
- Widespread gusty west to northwest winds are expected through tonight. The strongest winds will be over the mountain ridges, canyons, and into the deserts of Southern California from the Southern Sierra and southward with peak winds of 20 to 40 mph with gusts to 60 mph. Locally stronger gusts to 80 mph are possible through windier canyons. It will also be breezy along the coast with gusts of 25 to 40 mph possible. There will be lingering breeziness through Saturday.
- Widespread scattered shower and thunderstorm activity is likely across the region today away from the coast. Activity will likely favor the Central Valley, Sierra, and the deserts.
- Most locations will receive less than a quarter inch of rainfall, but some amounts of a quarter inch to an inch are possible across the mountains.
- Gradual warming is expected this weekend through the middle of next week. Highs will warm back up to the 70s to mid-80s in the valleys and high desert, 90s in the low desert, and 60s to near 70 in the lower mountains.
- Dry weather is expected for much of next week with minimum humidities lowering to around 20 to 40 percent away from the coasts and deserts.
- Most models are indicating a trend of cooler weather and increased onshore flow late next week into next weekend, but exact details remain fuzzy.

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

- The potential for large fire will remain very low through the forecast period. The most likely chance for a large fire will be across the deserts today with mostly dry and windy conditions, despite remaining quite cool.
- Even though the fine fuels across the lower elevations are curing rapidly, humidity will be too high to support large fire activity over the next week.
- Light initial attack activity will remain possible across the deserts and lower elevations over the next week.

Resource Discussion

SouthOps Preparedness Level 1

NorthOps Preparedness Level 1

National Preparedness Level 1

For more information about this product, please go to:

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