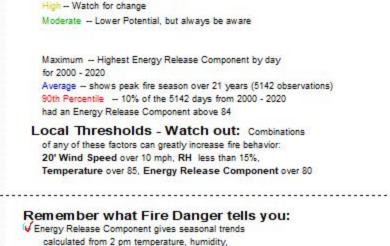
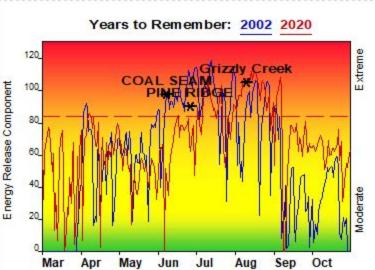


Energy Release Component





Fuel Model: X - Brush (2016)

Listen to weather forecasts - especially WIND.

Responsible Agency: Upper Colorado River Interagency

Wind is NOT part of ERC calculation. Watch local conditions and variations across

daily temperature & rh ranges, and precip duration.

the landscape - Fuel, Weather, Topography.

Fire Danger Area: West Central Colorado

NWS Zones 203 and 208 Rifle, Demare, Pine Ridge

* Meets NWCG Wx Station Standards Fire Danger Interpretation:

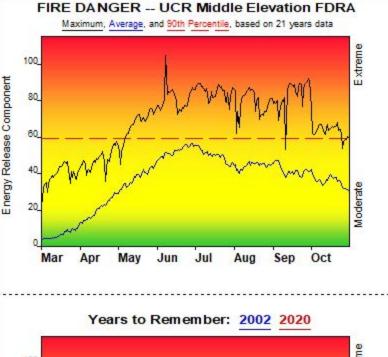
EXTREME -- Use extreme caution

Past Experience: Fires in the lower elevations of the UCR are very responsive to changes in RH, wind and slope. Each of which can trigger rapid spread rates in these fuels. Winds above 10 mph will aid fast rates of spread. Conversely RH's above 40% will limit fire spread in

sage/grass. Dense PJ stands can support active crown fire but usually require wind of 15 mph or steep slopes.

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Aspen and various shrubs such as snowberry generally act as barriers to fire spread during most of the year, they can support fire during early spring, late fall, or in periods of severe drought. Oak tends to display a threshold affect. Fire behavior will remain

somewhat sedated and then suddenly increase in intensity after burning conditions hit

peak periods. The Coal Seam Fire (2002) grew rapidly in drought conditions, 40 mph

winds pushed 15 foot flames through Gamble oak even though LFMC was still 160%.

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Fuel Model: Y - Timber (2016)

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Past Experience:

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V Energy Release Component gives seasonal trends calculated from 2 pm temperature, humidity,

Remember what Fire Danger tells you:

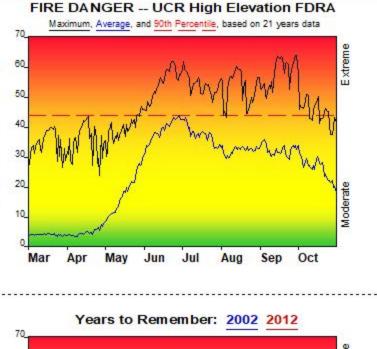
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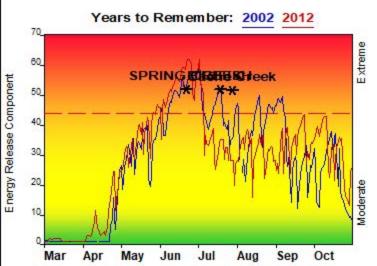
NWS Zones 203 and 208 Crown, Gypsum, Dominguez.

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Energy Release Component





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Fire Danger Area:

NWS Zones 208 Deep Creek, Dowd, Soda

West Central Colorado

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Fire Danger Interpretation:

EXTREME -- Use extreme caution

Past Experience:

High Elevation fires usually spread by creeping surface fires, passive torching, and short-range spotting. They are usually controllable under moderate conditions. During more extreme conditions, resulting from extended drought, wind and/or slope can support extreme fire behavior with active crown fire and long range spotting. Extreme spread rates are usually related to high wind, such as the 7,000 acre run on the Big Fish Fire in August 2002 caused by a cold frontal passage with winds over 30 mph. The heavy

dead/down fuels in these stands can also create fires that exhibit plume-dominated fire behavior that results in extreme, erratic, fuel-driven fire spread.

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