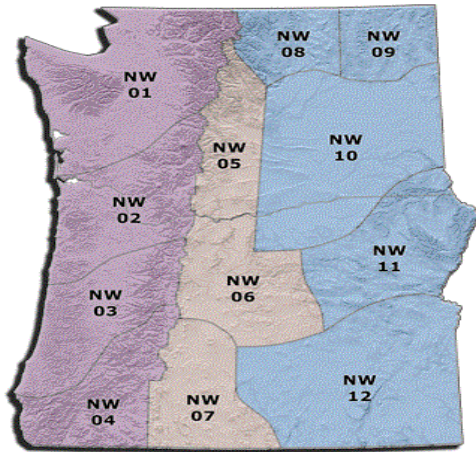


Pacific Northwest 7 Day Significant Fire Potential



Saturday, September 21, 2019



Legend

Fire Environment (FEN) 4 levels

Minimal	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a very low risk for Large fires (less than 1% chance)
Normal	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a <u>normal</u> risk for large fires (1 - 4% chance)
Elevated	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a moderately high risk for large fires (5 - 19% chance)
High Risk	The risk for large fire(s) is very high (≥ 20%) Triggers: 1. ⚡ (Significant Lightning) 2. BEN (Critical Burn Environment)

The assessment of the overall fire environment considers multiple factors including weather, lightning amount and fuel dryness. Large Fire probabilities are derived objectively via statistical methods. **High Risk** levels (≥ 20% probability of a large fire) are almost always due to significant lightning as burning conditions alone rarely result in a large fire probability much above about 10%.

Predictive Service

Areas	ytd	tdy	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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Fire Weather: An upper ridge will keep today warm and dry across the Northwest. A front arrives Sunday with a chance for showers especially west of the Cascades and an isolated risk for a few thunderstorms. An upper ridge builds for Monday through midweek with seasonable temperatures and mostly dry weather. Gusty winds are likely late Tuesday for the Columbia Basin. Later next week, an upper low will move in with cool and showery conditions. Check with your local NWS for details for your area.

Fire Potential: Significant fire potential will be below average this weekend. Gusty winds late Tuesday in the Columbia Basin will be a concern for prescribe burns in the area. A pattern for upper troughs later in the week will keep large fire threats low.

Preparedness Level:

Northwest: 1
National: 2

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