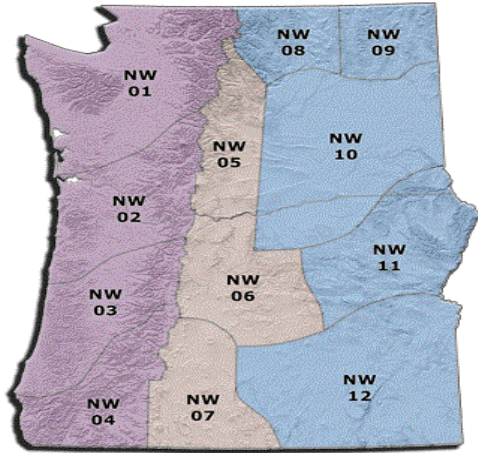


# Pacific Northwest 7 Day Significant Fire Potential



Tuesday, 9/22/2020



### Legend

#### Fire Environment (FEN) 4 levels

<b>Minimal</b>	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a very low risk for Large fires ( <b>less than 1% chance</b> )
<b>Normal</b>	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a <b>normal</b> risk for large fires ( <b>1 - 4% chance</b> )
<b>Elevated</b>	- The Overall Fire Environment suggests a moderately high risk for large fires ( <b>5 - 19% chance</b> )
<b>High Risk</b>	The risk for large fire(s) is very high ( <b>≥ 20%</b> ) 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	Today	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon
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NW02								
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**Fire Weather:** Light showers over western Washington will taper off this morning leaving the Pacific Northwest mostly dry today. A robust, wet frontal system will reach northwestern Washington tonight bringing significant rainfall to much of the region Wednesday and Thursday, possibly with some embedded wet thunderstorms. Strong, gusty south to southwesterly winds will precede the front, shifting to westerly winds behind the front. Breezy conditions will persist into the weekend. Another disturbance will move through Friday, continuing showery conditions into the weekend, particularly for Washington. A high pressure ridge will start to build over the weekend, for a warm, dry start to next week. See your local NWS forecasts for the latest details for your area.

**Fire Potential:** Potential for new significant fires will remain low over the region through the week due to moderation in fire danger and fire weather. Breezy, dry conditions could boost fire behavior over the next couple afternoons, particularly in south central and southeastern Oregon.

#### Preparedness Level:

Northwest: 5  
National: 5

- Eric Wise