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FIRE WEATHER PLANNING FORECAST
NORTHERN, CENTRAL, AND SOUTHERN ZONES

9/23/2020

IFPL INFO:	IFPL ZONES: All zones at a level 3.
PREPAREDNESS LEVELS:	NATIONAL-5 REGIONAL-5 LOCAL-2

WACWC Daily NFDR Summary

Northern Zones: Methow, Chelan, Valley.

Central Zones: Chelan, Valley, Upper Yakima, Upper Basin.

Southern Zones: Lower Yakima, Upper Basin, Lower Basin.

Rating Area	Yesterdays Observed BI	Todays Predicted BI	Todays Predicted SL	Yesterdays Observed ERC's	Todays Predicted ERC's
Methow	34 (89-%tile)	31 (80-%tile)	2	47 (83-%tile)	42 (77-%tile)
Chelan	39 (77-%tile)	35 (70-%tile)	2	41 (77-%tile)	36 (71-%tile)
Valley	27 (81-%tile)	24 (71-%tile)	2	33 (66-%tile)	30 (62-%tile)
Upper Yakima	29 (68-%tile)	28 (66-%tile)	1	41 (81-%tile)	39 (78-%tile)
Lower Yakima	28 (79-%tile)	30 (83-%tile)	2	34 (72-%tile)	36 (77-%tile)
Upper Basin	28 (81-%tile)	32 (93-%tile)	3	42 (73-%tile)	41 (73-%tile)
Lower Basin	23 (54-%tile)	25 (60-%tile)	2	33 (53-%tile)	

NORTHERN ZONES DISCUSSION-SPOKANE FIRE WEATHER

Methow-McClure, DNR Twisp (FUTURE)

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SPREADING EAST TONIGHT...**

DISCUSSION... For this afternoon into tonight, an early fall cold front will spread rain across the Pacific Northwest with the majority of the districts receiving wetting rains. Cool, breezy, and showery conditions with embedded thunderstorms are expected Thursday afternoon into Friday. There will be another round of showers and breezy winds this weekend. Strong high pressure next week will lead to temperatures warming to above normal with a prolonged stretch of dry weather.

NORTHERN VALLEYS: (ZONE 684 Okanogan/Methow Valleys)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy. Chance of rain through the day.
MAX TEMPERATURE:	.66-76
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY:	40-55 percent
WINDS:	South 6 to 13 mph with gusts to around 30 mph...except south 3 to 9 mph in the Methow Valley. In the Methow Valley, gusts up to 20 mph in the afternoon
HAINES INDEX:	2 or very low
LAL:	1
CWR:	20 percent

NORTHERN MOUNTAINS: (ZONES 685 North Cascades)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy. Chance of rain in the morning, then rain in the afternoon
MAX TEMPERATURE:	59-69 valleys and 47-57 mountains
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY:	55-65 percent valleys and 60-75 percent mountains.
WINDS:	Valleys/Lower Slopes: South 5 to 12 mph with gusts to around 25 mph. Ridges/Upper Slopes: South 8 to 15 mph with gusts to around 30 mph.
HAINES INDEX:	2 or very low
LAL:	1
CWR:	80 percent

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CENTRAL ZONES DISCUSSION-SPOKANE FIRE WEATHER

Columbia river-Badger, Wenatchee River-Burch, Cle Elum-Peoh, Naches-Bethel, DNR Chelan, DNR Badger, DNR Naneum, DNR Peoh, DNR Clemans, DNR Sedge, AND DNR Whiskey.

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CENTRAL VALLEYS: (ZONES 676 and 677 East Washington Central Cascade Valleys)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy. Chance of rain
MAX TEMPERATURE:	65-75
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY:	45-60 percent
WINDS:	South 4 to 15 mph
HAINES INDEX:	2 or very low.
LAL:	1
CWR:	20 percent

CENTRAL MOUNTAINS: (ZONE 680 & 682 South Central Cascade Mountains)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy. Chance of rain in the morning, then rain in the afternoon
MAX TEMPERATURE:	59-69 valleys and 51-61 mountains
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY:	61-80 percent
WINDS:	VALLEYS/LWR SLOPES: South 5 to 12 mph. Gusts up to 25 mph in the afternoon. RIDGES/UPR SLOPES: South 7 to 14 mph. Gusts up to 30 mph in the afternoon
HAINES INDEX:	2 or very low
LAL:	1
CWR:	60 percent

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SOUTHERN ZONES DISCUSSION-PENDLETON FIRE WEATHER

DNR Grayback, DNR Juniper, DNR Defiance, USFWS J Joe, USFWS Wahatis.

DISCUSSION... Breezy conditions, with mild temperatures and marginal relative humidities will lead to locally elevated fire weather conditions across portions of central Oregon this afternoon and evening. Rain chances will occur from west to east later today and into tonight as a low pressure and a front move across the region. Wetting rain is forecast in most areas tonight. Thursday looks to be drier, before another chance of rain occurs on Friday, though this may be mainly closer to the mountains. Warm and dry conditions will then develop Sunday into early next week as high pressure builds back into the Pacific Northwest

SOUTHERN VALLEYS: (ZONE 639 – East Slopes of the Southern Washington Cascades)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy. A slight chance of showers in the afternoon.
MAX TEMPERATURE:	68-77...except 62-69 ridge
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY:	38-53 percent
WINDS:	VALLEYS/LWR SLOPES: Winds southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon. Upslope less than 5 mph COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE: winds west 1 to 5 mph in the afternoon RIDGES/UPRSLOPES: Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph
HAINES INDEX:	2 or (very low)
LAL:	1
CWR:	10 percent

SOUTHERN VALLEYS: (ZONE 641 – Lower Columbia Basin of Washington)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy
MAX TEMPERATURE:	77-82
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY:	25-33 percent
WINDS:	VALLEYS/Lower Slopes: Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph RIDGES/Upper Slopes: South winds 5 to 10 mph
HAINES INDEX:	2 or (very low)
LAL:	1
CWR:	0 percent

SOUTHERN VALLEYS: (ZONE 675 – Eastern Washington Southern Columbia Basin)

SKY/WEATHER:	Mostly cloudy. A slight chance of showers in the afternoon.
MAX TEMPERATURE:	72-80
MIN RELATIVE HUMIDITY	32-45 percent.
WINDS:	VALLEYS/LWR SLOPES: South winds 1 to 5 mph increasing to 5to 10 mph in the afternoon RIDGES/UPR SLOPES: Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph increasing to south 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon
HAINES INDEX	2 or (very low)
LAL	1
CWR:	0 percent

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