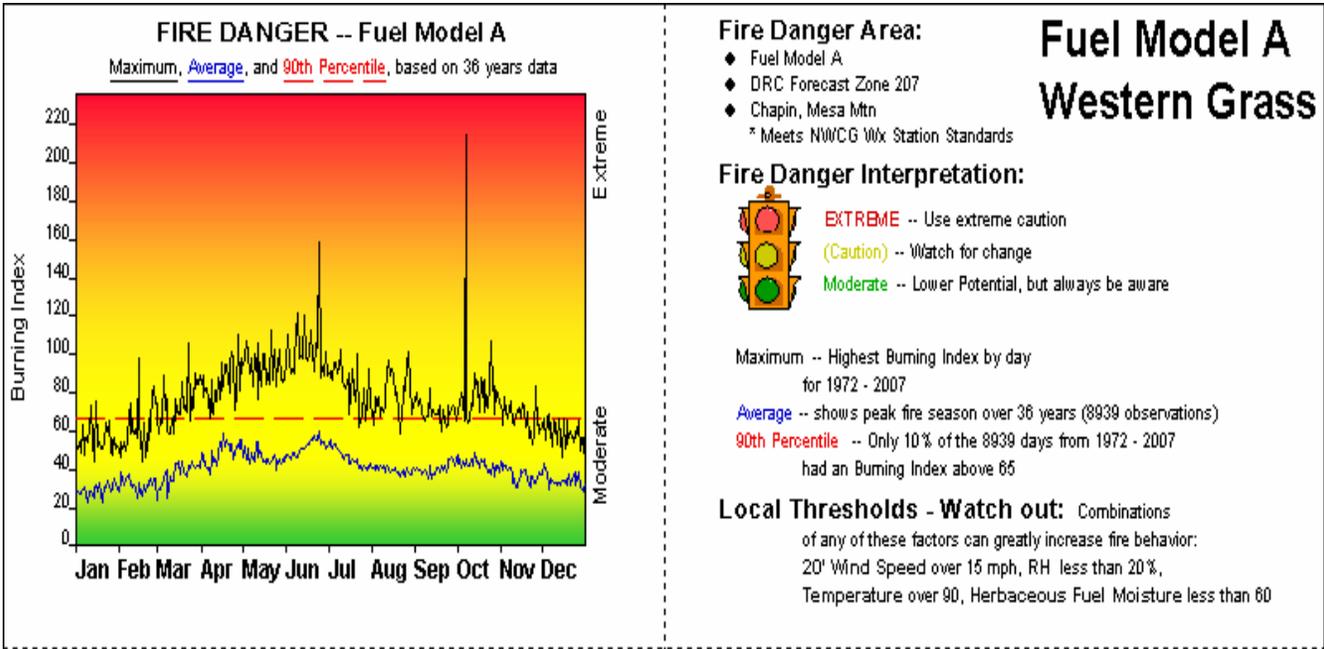




# Southwest Colorado Fire Danger Fuel Model A – Western Grass



**Fuel Model A WESTERN GRASSLANDS** - This fuel model represents western grasslands vegetated by annual grasses and forbs. Brush or trees may be present but are very sparse, occupying less than a third of the area. Within Southwest Colorado at elevations below 8,000', Fuel Model A are used in areas where we find cheat grass, medusa head, and OPEN pinion-juniper, sagebrush-grass, and shrub areas with a relatively low density of woody plants. The quantity and continuity of the ground fuels vary greatly with rainfall from year to year.

Dates to Remember: Moccasin, 7/15/03, 2,744 Acres, BI- 90, ERC - 90