National Predictive Services Forecast

California South Ops

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Predictive Service Area (PSA)	Sun 21 Apr	Mon 22 Apr	Tue 23 Apr	Wed 24 Apr	Thu 25 Apr	Fri 26 Apr	Sat 27 Apr
SC01 - Eastern Sierra							
SC02 - Central Sierra							
SC03 - Southern Sierra							
SC04 - Sierra Foothills							
SC05 - Central Valley							
SC06 - Central Coast Interior							
SC07 - Central Coast							
SC08 - South Coast							
SC09 - Western Mountains							
SC10 - Eastern Mountains							
SC11 - Southern Mountains							
SC12 - Lower Deserts							
SC13 - Eastern Deserts							
SC14 - Central Mojave							
SC15 - Upper Deserts							
SC16 - Northern Deserts							

Weather Discussion

· High pressure will continue to extend across the region through Tuesday. A trough of low pressure will move in on Wednesday and then deepen over the area through the weekend.

- Today will be the warmest day of the week with valley highs in the mid-80s (possibly near 90 for warmes valleys and high desert), mid to upper 90s in the lower desert and lower mountains will likely be in the 70s. Temperatures will begin to cool near the coast on tomorrow, then significant cooling is expected through next week as the marine layer deepens again with valley highs returning to below normal in the mid-60s to low 70s.
- Mostly dry conditions will continue through Wednesday. However, the deep marine layer will allow for minimum relative humidity to remail above 30% west of the mountains. Desert areas will see minimum RH in the single digits and teens. Higher humidity is expected mid and late next week.
- There will be periods of breezy southwest to northwest winds of 20 to 30 mph with gusts to 50 mph across the mountain ridges, canyons, and into the deserts through the period.
- There is a potential for light precipitation late next week, but there still remains plenty of uncertainty in the model projections.

For NWS Red Flag Warnings/Fire Weather Watches, please visit <u>California Fire Weather.</u> (https://www.weather.gov/wrh/CAFW)

Fuels/Fire Discussion

- Large fire potential will remain very low through the forecast period. Some increased light initial attack activity is possible this weekend into Monday with a few days of warming and drying.
- Any fire potential will remain confined to desert areas and some lower elevation grasses, which are in the early stages of seasonal curing with only localized areas of receptive fuels available.

Resource Discussion

SouthOps Preparedness Level 1

NorthOps Preparedness Level 1

National Preparedness Level 1

MACS Mode SOPS 2... NOPS 2

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