

WFTIIC Four Month Outlook

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Significant Fire Potential | June - September 2026



Northern Operations | Source Link: NOPS Predictive Services

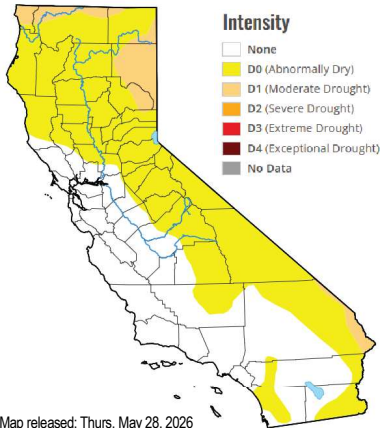
- Weather patterns are likely to produce warmer than normal temperatures with mixed precipitation signals the next 4 months.
- Alignment of critically dry dead-live fuels is expected to become more noticeable during June but more so from July through September although a mosaic of conditions will likely be present due to Marine Layer influences, convective precipitation, variable herbaceous fuel loading, green-up across the high country and "snow crush" in the Sierra Foothills.
- Significant Fire Potential is projected to be near to above normal during June then trend above normal July through September across most areas with exception of near Coastal areas.

Southern Operations | Source Link: SOPS Predictive Services

- Precipitation will likely be below normal in June and then there will likely be near to above normal monsoonal shower and thunderstorm activity July through September.
- Due to above-normal temperatures and dry conditions, the potential for large fires is expected to be above normal across lower elevations in June.
- Temperatures will likely be above normal through September, except near normal coastal areas in June.
- The marine layer will likely be more shallow and not penetrate as far inland as normal through September.

Drought Monitor

California | U.S. Drought Monitor (unl.edu)



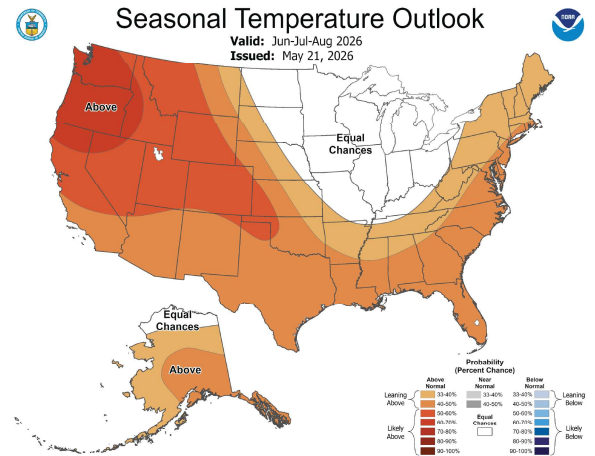
Abnormally Dry (D0) conditions are present in several areas across the state. Most of Northern California falls within the D0 category, with an increase in Moderate Drought (D1) conditions reported in Lassen County, parts of Plumas County, and along the Oregon border compared to last month. Dry conditions persist through much of the eastern half of the state into San Diego and Imperial Counties. California's reservoirs remain in good condition during a climatologically dry time of year. Looking ahead, near normal precipitation is favored for the state.

Map released: Thurs. May 28, 2026



Temperature & Precipitation

Climate Prediction Center



Herbaceous Fuel Production Levels

Rangeland Analysis Platform

The current levels of herbaceous vegetation vary widely throughout the state. The image on the left shows the deviations from the historical amount of herbaceous vegetation by county. In Del Norte and Trinity County, the deviation from historical mean is above 70%, which equates to around twice the historical production of herbaceous fuel in pounds per acre. In other areas, drought conditions have reduced the herbaceous fuels to well below normal. Imperial County exhibits 22.81 pounds of herbaceous fuel per acre, a 48% deviation below normal from a historical 44.38 pounds per acre.

