National Weather Service

Watches, Warnings & Advisories

Red Flag Warning

URGENT - FIRE WEATHER MESSAGE National Weather Service Los Angeles/Oxnard CA 1018 AM PDT Tue Jul 9 2024

...RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM NOON TO 9 PM TODAY FOR THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY INTERIOR MOUNTAINS INCLUDING HIGHER ELEVATIONS OF THE LAKE FIRE DUE TO GUSTY NORTHWEST WINDS AND VERY LOW HUMIDITY...

...RED FLAG WARNING IN EFFECT FROM 3 PM TODAY TO 3 AM WEDNESDAY FOR THE WESTERN SANTA YNEZ RANGE AND ADJACENT FOOTHILLS DUE TO GUSTY SUNDOWNER WINDS AND VERY LOW HUMIDITY...

.Conditions will be favorable for rapid fire spread from this afternoon into tonight across the Santa Barbara County Interior Mountains including the Lake Fire, and the western Santa Ynez Mountains. A volatile combination of extreme heat with 95 to 105 degree temperatures and single-digit relative humidity with little to no overnight recovery, combined with northwest winds gusting 25 to 35 mph for multiple hours and even stronger Sundowner winds, will be very favorable for extreme fire behavior and rapid spread rates this afternoon through tonight. This includes the Lake Fire and any new ignitions.

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...RED FLAG WARNING REMAINS IN EFFECT UNTIL 9 PM PDT THIS EVENING FOR THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY INTERIOR MOUNTAINS INCLUDING HIGHER ELEVATIONS OF THE LAKE FIRE DUE TO GUSTY NORTHWEST WINDS AND VERY LOW HUMIDITY...

- * WINDS...Northwest winds gusting to 25 to 35 mph.
- * RELATIVE HUMIDITY...Minimum relative humidity 5 to 15 percent. Little to no overnight recovery expected.
- * IMPACTS...Conditions will be favorable for rapid fire spread and extreme fire behavior which could threaten life and property. The hot temperatures will bring the potential for large vertical plume growth.

PRECAUTIONARY/PREPAREDNESS ACTIONS...

A Red Flag Warning means that critical fire weather conditions