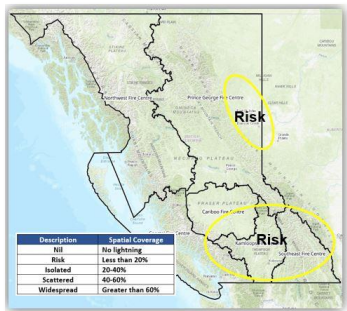


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Today Lightning



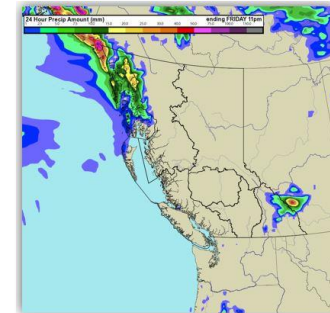
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Tomorrow Lightning



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Today	A second trough has deepened into a well structured and organized low over the Pacific Northwest and is steering bands of rain into some of our southern dry belts including the South Thompson, the North Okanagan, the northern Trench and the Columbias. Additional showers are also falling over the Coast and spilling into the Fraser Canyon such that most southern zones continue their downturn in fire behavior. Temperatures are near to below seasonal across much of the province while RH trends upwards. Note the northeast remains warm and dry. Winds pick up across the north marking the start to their multi day wind event with extreme ISI.
Tonight	Good overnight recoveries with the exception of the far north. Winds remain elevated overnight across the north including the Cassiar, Liard, Peace, and central Interior.
Friday	A ridge rebounds across the northwest resulting in drying and warming after the two-to-three-day downturn. The north is VERY windy with high to extreme spread rates to be expected. On the heels of the persistent hot, dry conditions, this will likely be a very active day across the north. The south is slower to rebound but definitely on the uptick after the recent rain.
Outlook Days 3 to 5 Sat Sept 2nd – Mon Sept 4th	Saturday – The strong gradient and associated strong westerly winds persist across the north along with climbing temperatures. The south returns to above seasonal temperatures and descending RH. Sunday - A low pressure system and associated cold front is forecast to sweep across the middle of the province on Sunday spreading gusty winds, some showers, and isolated thunderstorms. Proper cold air sweeps in the wake with frost likely across the north and central Interior. With a more southerly track, the north appears to remain high and dry. Monday – A cool, post-frontal, northwest flow prevails with below seasonal temps, patchy overnight frost in the north and ongoing breezy conditions.
Outlook Days 6 to 10 Mon Sept 4th to Sat Sept 9th	A broadscale troughy pattern persists through the middle and latter half of next week supporting ongoing below seasonal temperatures and showers to west facing mountain ranges. Our usual subsident areas including the Chilcotin, the Okanagan, the Rocky Mountain Trench and the Peace are liable to remain mostly dry, but confidence remains good on the fall-like temperatures and higher humidity levels.
Confidence	Good confidence overall on the very windy pattern setting up across the north inevitably supporting large spread days. Given the recent important changes with the position and track of Sunday's low and cold front, there's increased uncertainty with just how much precipitation will accompany the system and where. Good confidence in the cool long-range outlook.