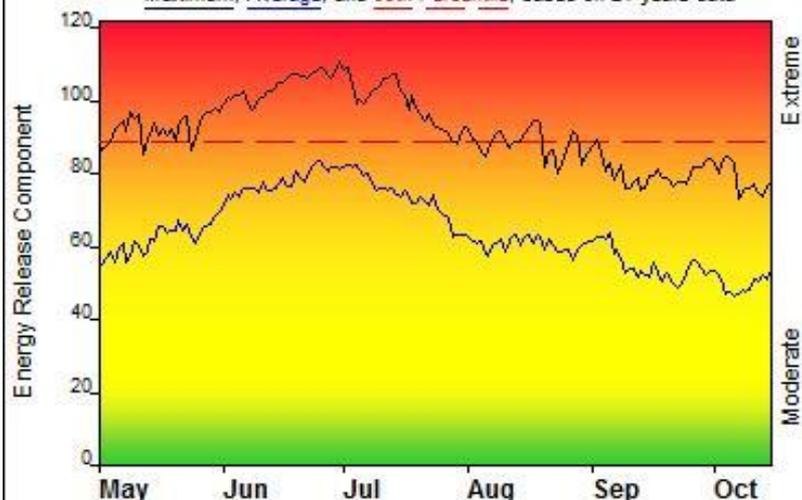


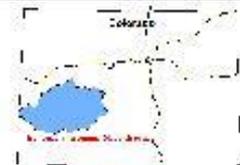
## FIRE DANGER -- Low Elevation

Maximum, Average, and 90th Percentile, based on 21 years data



## Fire Danger Area:

- ◆ Low Elevation
- ◆ Fire WX Zones 290 & 292
- ◆ Low Elevation SIG
- \* Meets NWCG Wx Station Standards



## Fire Danger Interpretation:



- EXTREME** -- Use extreme caution
- (Caution)** -- Watch for change
- Moderate** -- Lower Potential, but always be aware

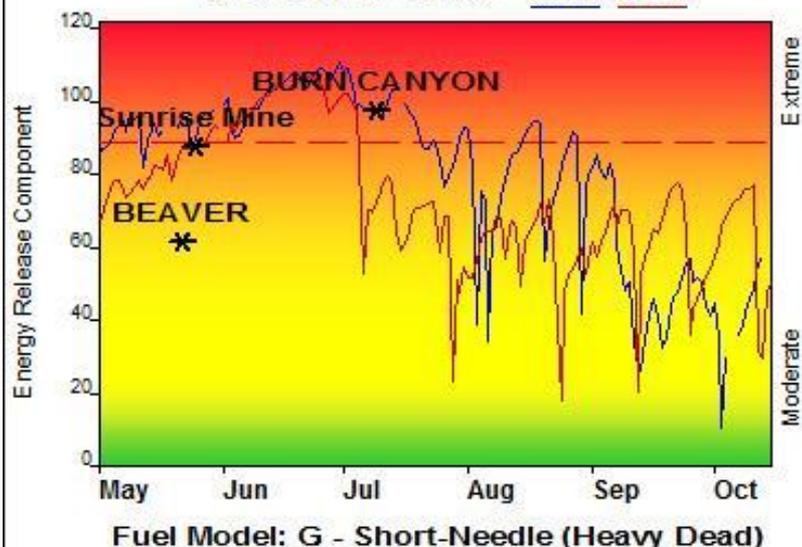
**Maximum** -- Highest Energy Release Component by day for 1994 - 2014

**Average** -- shows peak fire season over 21 years (3483 observations)

**90th Percentile** -- Only 10% of the 3483 days from 1994 - 2014 had an Energy Release Component above 88

**Local Thresholds - Watch out:** Combinations of any of these factors can greatly increase fire behavior:  
 20' Wind Speed over 20 mph, RH less than 20%,  
 Temperature over 85, 1000-Hour Fuel Moisture less than 10

## Years to Remember: 2002 2012



## Remember what Fire Danger tells you:

- ✓ Energy Release Component gives seasonal trends calculated from 2 pm temperature, humidity, daily temperature & rh ranges, and precip duration.
- ✓ Wind is NOT part of ERC calculation.
- ✓ Watch local conditions and variations across the landscape -- Fuel, Weather, Topography.
- ✓ Listen to weather forecasts -- especially WIND.

## Past Experience:

NFDRS Fuel Model G trends best with historical fire danger. Large fires can occur during 3-5 day wind events when ERC values are considered average or below. e.g.: Beaver Fire -2600 acres in 2010.

Oakbrush can exhibit extreme fire behavior when live fuel moistures are less than 95%. Watchout for periods of drought and frost kill.

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