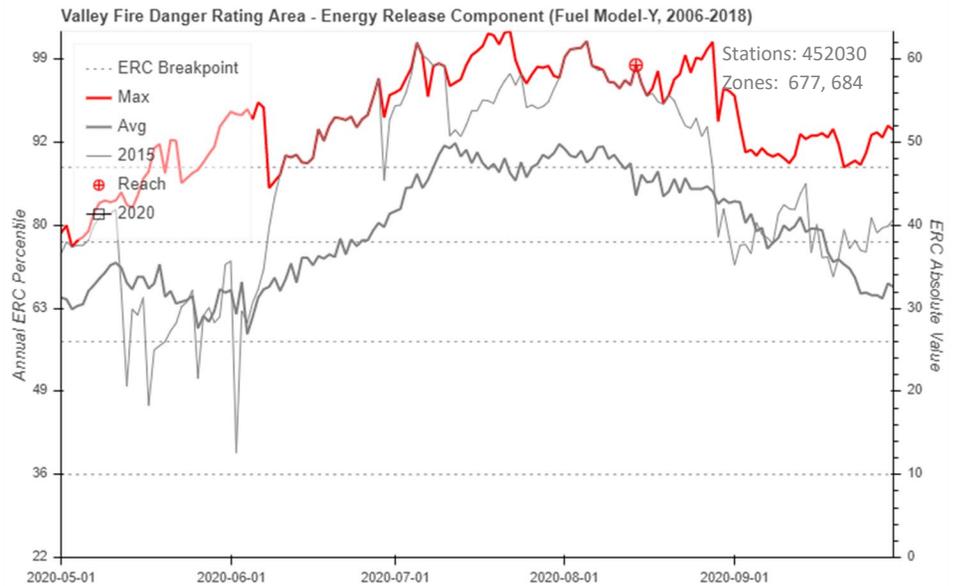


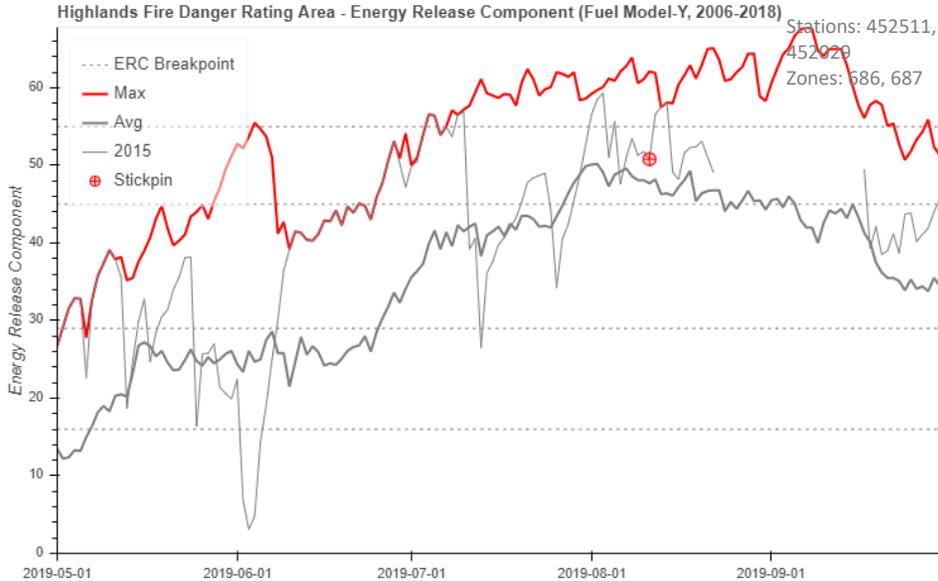
**Fire Danger Interpretation:**  
 Energy Release Component (ERC) Breakpoint – thresholds dividing ERC into 5 levels of Preparedness based on fire business.  
 Max – Highest ERC by day, 2006-2018  
 Avg – Average ERC by day, 2006-2018  
 2015 – A Year to Remember  
**Remember What Fire Danger Tells You:**  
 Energy Release Component gives seasonal trends calculated from 2 pm temperature, humidity, daily temperature and 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  
**Local Thresholds – Watch Out**  
 Combinations of any of these factors can greatly increase fire behavior:  
 20 ft. Windspeed > 6 mph  
 RH < 16%  
 Temperature > 89  
**Past Experience**  
 Many fires in NE Washington exhibit significant fire growth following poor humidity recovery (<40%) and dry cold front passage.

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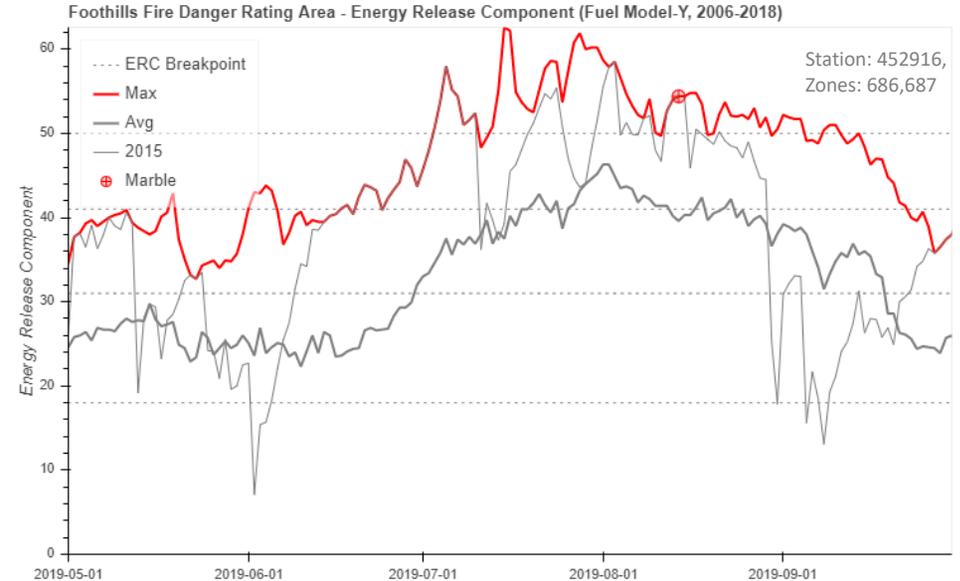
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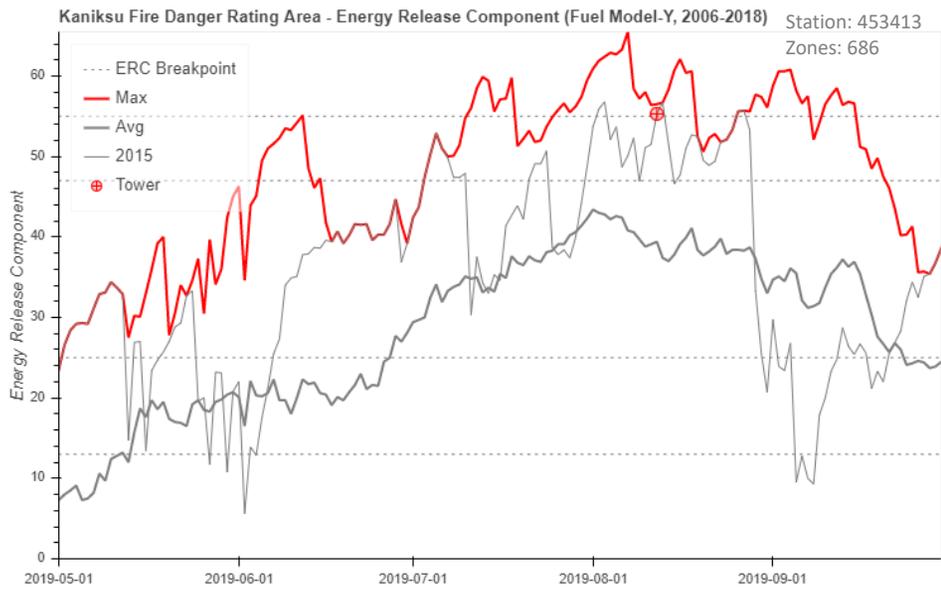
Valley: Okanogan and Columbia River valley grass and brush in Chelan and Okanogan counties.



Highlands: The east and west slopes of the Kettle Mountain Range covering Ferry County, northern Stevens, and eastern Okanogan County



Foothills: Covers grass and timber in the Colville and Spokane Valleys, generally below 3,000 feet in elevation



Kaniksu: Timbered stands in Stevens and Pend Oreille counties, generally above 3,000 feet in elevation