

# Fuels and Fire Behavior Advisory

## Area of Interest

*Date Advisory Takes Effect*



**Subject:** A brief synopsis of the condition(s) present that warrant the Advisory (should be no more than one or two sentences).

**Discussion:** Detailed description of the condition(s), which may include graphics to illustrate points. Key information must be fully described in this section's narrative, any supporting graphics can be pushed to page 2 if needed.

**Difference from Normal Conditions:** In specific, measurable terms, how are these condition(s) exceptional or extreme compared to normal for the time of year? It may be helpful to compare the current conditions with outcomes from prior, similar extreme fire seasons.

**Concerns to Firefighters and the Public:** Specific circumstances that are likely to result from the Advisory conditions. May include bullets:

- xx.

**Mitigation Measures:** How firefighters and fire managers should be prepared to deal with each of the specific circumstances listed above. May include bullets:

- xx.

**Area of Concern:** Detailed description of the area of concern. Include a map image, which can be pushed to page 2 if needed.

**Issued By:** Name of issuing GACC(s) and key partners (e.g. Decision Support Group, agencies/units, etc)

Second page content, if any, should be supporting information only. All essential information must be included in the narrative sections on the first page.



**Protocols and tips:** Remove this (*italicized*) guidance from the finished F&FBA.

*The F&FBA should only be issued to address exceptional or extreme circumstances that pose an elevated threat to firefighter or public safety. A F&FBA is generally not warranted for:*

- *Conditions that are reasonably expected normally (e.g. seasonal trend of declining fuel moisture, rapid ROS due to strong winds; intense burning in shrubs known for volatile foliage, etc).*
- *Elevated or even critical fuels conditions in the absence of fires, or low probability of ignitions.*

*Do not remove any of this template's sections in red font above or add any new sections. All essential narrative content (sections with red font above) must fit on a single (first) page; however, a second page can be used if needed for the map image, supporting charts, illustrative photos of fuel loading or fire behavior, etc. The F&FBA can also include links to pertinent ancillary information sources.*

*Coordinate with neighboring units to ensure all areas with similar conditions are addressed with a single F&FBA. For any given area and time period, only one F&FBA can be in effect. If multiple critical conditions exist, incorporate them into a single F&FBA. Coordination via GACC is required for any F&FBA that will be posted via the NICC website and announced through the NICC COD. When the area of interest extends into more than one GACC, the affected GACCs should coordinate to produce a single F&FBA. If the F&FBA is intended for posting/distribution via NICC, let the NICC Predictive Service staff know in advance and budget time for them to review and post/announce.*

*Each F&FBA will remain in effect for 14 days from the date of issuance but can be discontinued sooner at the request of the issuer(s). If conditions persist, the F&FBA should be updated every 14 days to ensure content remains current. The GACC and NICC PS staff can stop hosting any F&FBA that has not been properly updated or if the elevated conditions abate significantly.*

*The red and white striped border is required. It is best to keep it applied as a watermark in Microsoft Word to maximize the properties that can be applied to other document elements (e.g. text wrapping around images, multiple columns for bulleted lists, added text boxes). Recommend retaining the Predictive Services logo, and adding the GACC logo if desired, for any F&FBA coordinated via the GACC(s). Logo(s) can be moved elsewhere in the document if desired. Smaller fonts may be used for subordinate text such as bulleted lists, but main narrative sections should retain this template's font size and styles.*

*Once the draft F&FBA has been reviewed and approved, convert it to pdf format and use this file naming convention: Fuels-Fire-Behavior-Advisory\_Area-of-Interest\_YYYYMMDD.pdf. For any F&FBA posted on the NICC website, the source GACC(s) and other affected entities may either link to the NICC posting, or post their own local copy of the F&FBA; however, care must be taken to ensure that all websites offer the same version of the document and promptly remove their posting when the F&FBA is discontinued.*