

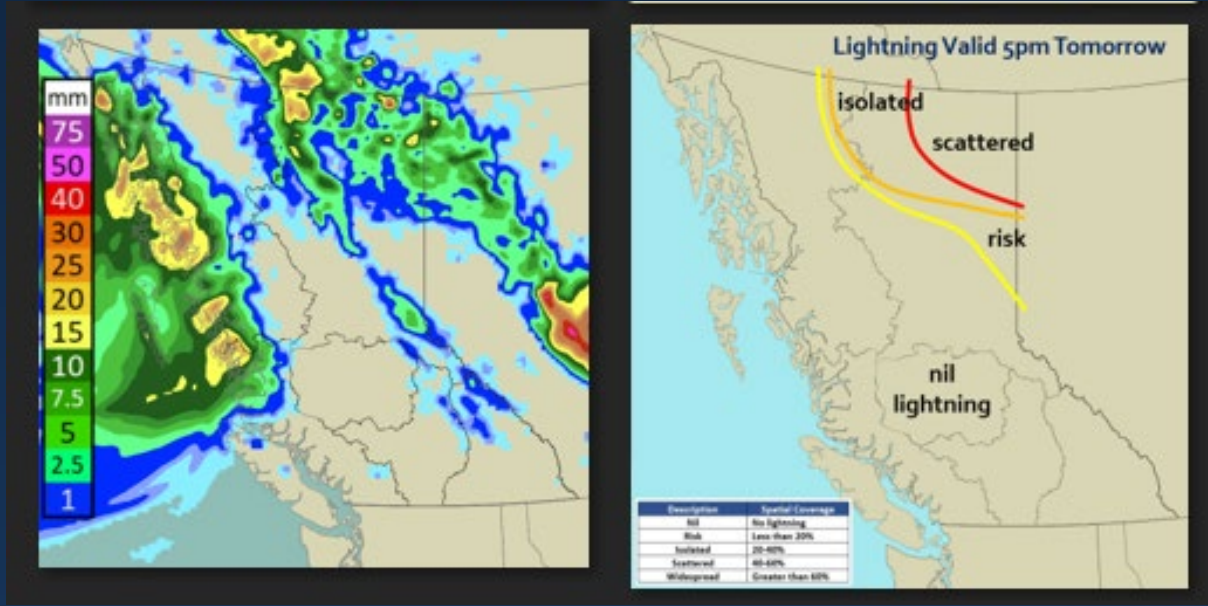
All Chiefs

Provincial Situational Awareness

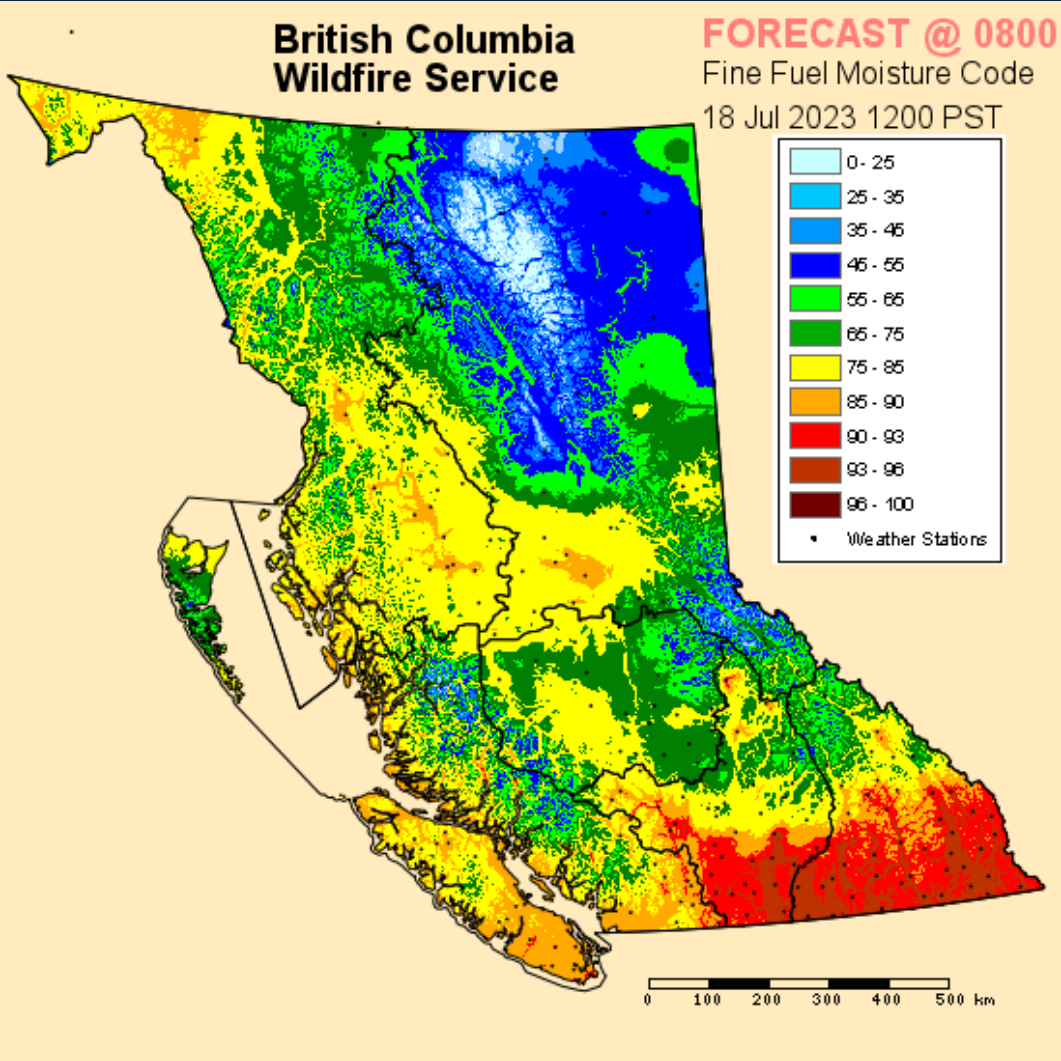
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Weather Snapshot



Precipitation and Lightning Forecast for July 18

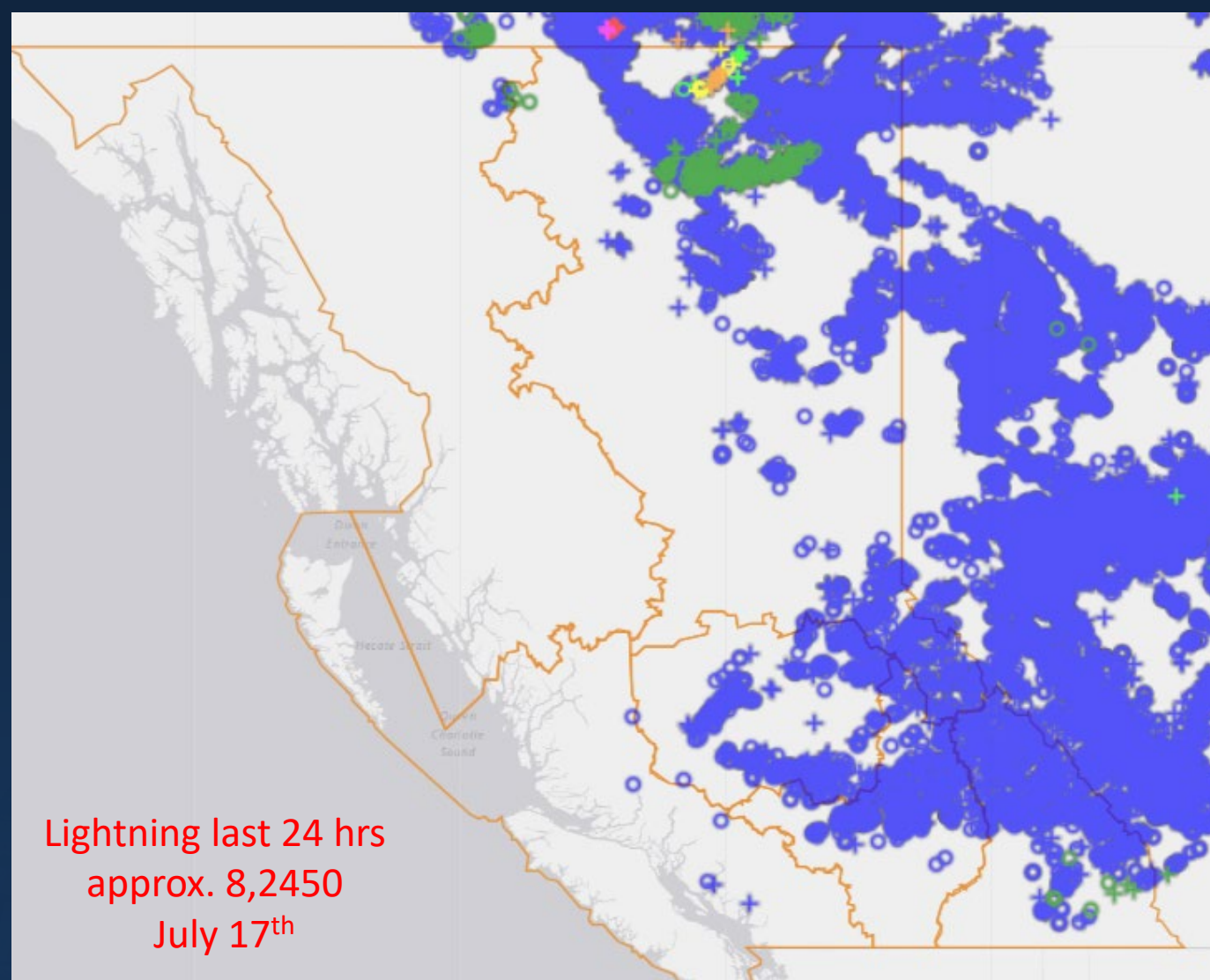


Wildfire Stats

Hectares Burned: **1,393,554 ha**
Total Fires: **1185**
Active Fires: **393** * 327 Lx
Out of Control 261
Last 7 days: 217
Last 24 hrs: 39
Fires of Note: 22 (-5)

10 Year Averages: **630** fires & **124,988** ha

52,000 lx strikes last 7 days

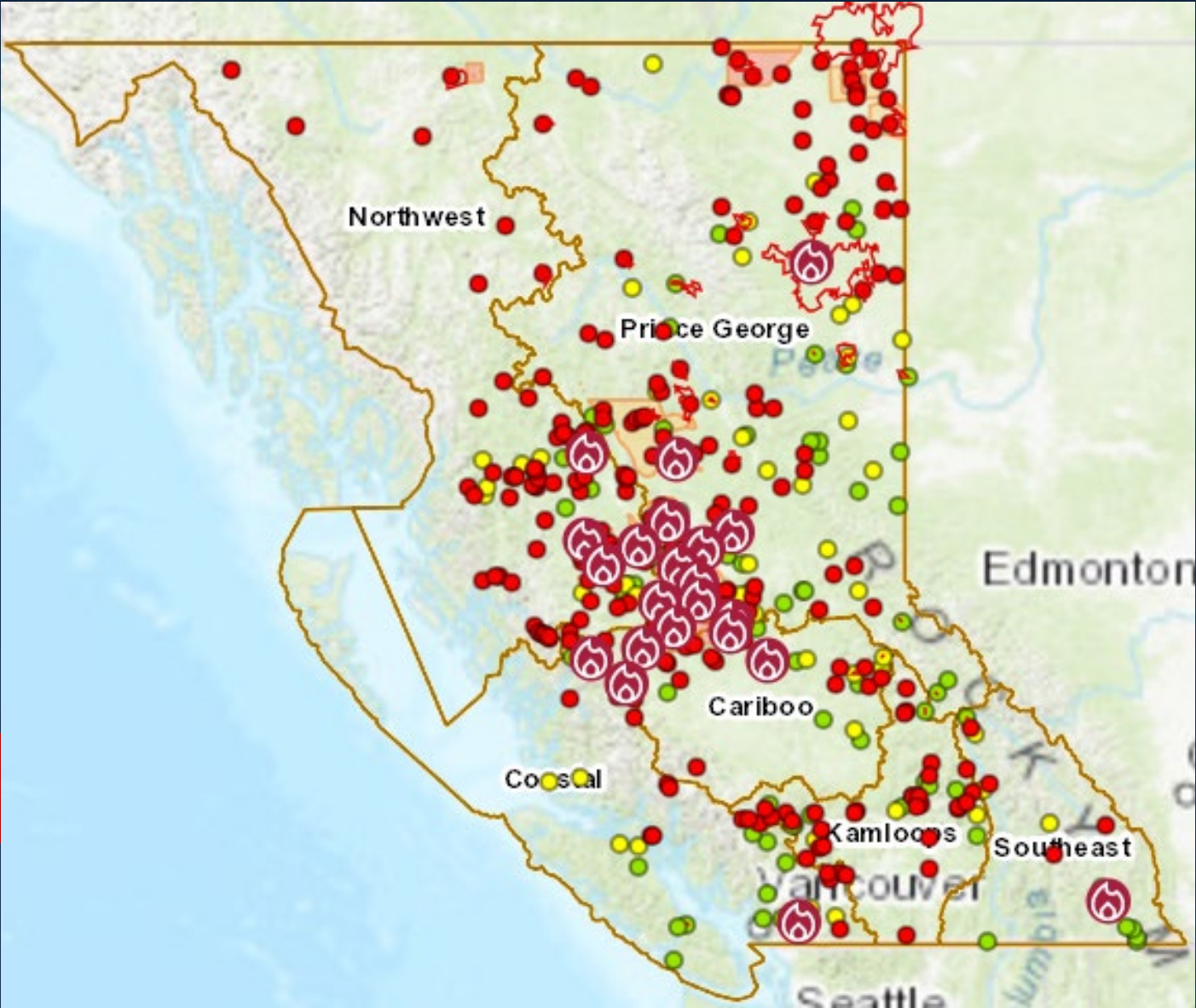


Prep Conditions

Centre	Prep Con current	Prep Con anticipated	Active Fires
Cariboo	4	4	32
Coastal	4	4	41
KFC	4	4	44
NW	5	5	93
PG	5	5	167
SE	2	3	16
TOTALS			393

Provincial
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- Prep Con 1: Exporting - Normal activities.
- Prep Con 2: Exporting/Holding - Fire Centre resources adequate.
- Prep Con 3: Holding - Increased activities, unable to resource demand
- Prep Con 4: Holding/Importing - Heavy activity, outside resources needed
- Prep Con 5: Importing - Heavy resource demand and activity.



Resources



~2000



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IMTs: VanJam IMT #4

Mackenzie IMT #5

Donnie Creek IMT #2

Nadina Complex IMT #1

3x OOP IMTs (USA, Australia) CAFC/PGFC this week.

Officers: 199 assigned

Liaisons: 15-20

Crews: BCWS Unit Crews - 24 assigned

BCWS Initial Attack – 100 assigned

Type II Crews – 9 assigned (8 packs)

Type III Crews - 113 activated (5 packs)

Type 4 Crews (support) – as and when needed, active

IIR – 5 active teams (3-4 packs)

Airtankers: 9.5 Tanker Groups - 41 missions in last 4 days

Helicopters: 101 aircraft

Fire Services: 18 Structure Protection Specialists
5 Type I Trailers 19 Type II Trailers
18 SP Crews

76 Resources 103 personnel

Imported Resources

Current International Support:

USFS Crews 2 x 20s
Re-cycling of Smoke Jumpers - 50 personnel
2 Ignition Teams
Misc # USFS OH
2 x AUST IMT
2 x USFS IMT
Mexico 5 x 20 + 2 AREPs
2 Scooper air tankers 215-T

National and international resource orders for BC:

Arriving July 15-21st:

- 40 senior overhead
- 5 Hotshot 20 Crews
- 10 Engine Crews w/ 2 STLD
- 2- Rappel crews (10 person)
- Air Tanker retardant (2 aircraft)
- AUST Advanced Planning Team (5) (July 19th)

In progress :

CAF 200 +/-	(July 19 th)
Brazil 5 x 20	(July 21 st)
Mexico 5 x 20	(July 26 th)

Information & Support

Important sources of information during a wildfire emergency:

Fire information: www.bcwildfire.ca, BCWS Public Mobile App

Evacuation orders/alerts: <https://www.emergencyinfobc.gov.bc.ca>

Road closures: <http://www.drivebc.com>

Preparedness:

[https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response\[1\]recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/wildfires](https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response[1]recovery/preparedbc/know-your-hazards/wildfires)

For wildfire specific incident details:

<https://wildfiresituation.nrs.gov.bc.ca/map>

Smoke Forecast: [Smoke Forecast - FireSmoke.ca](http://SmokeForecast-FireSmoke.ca)

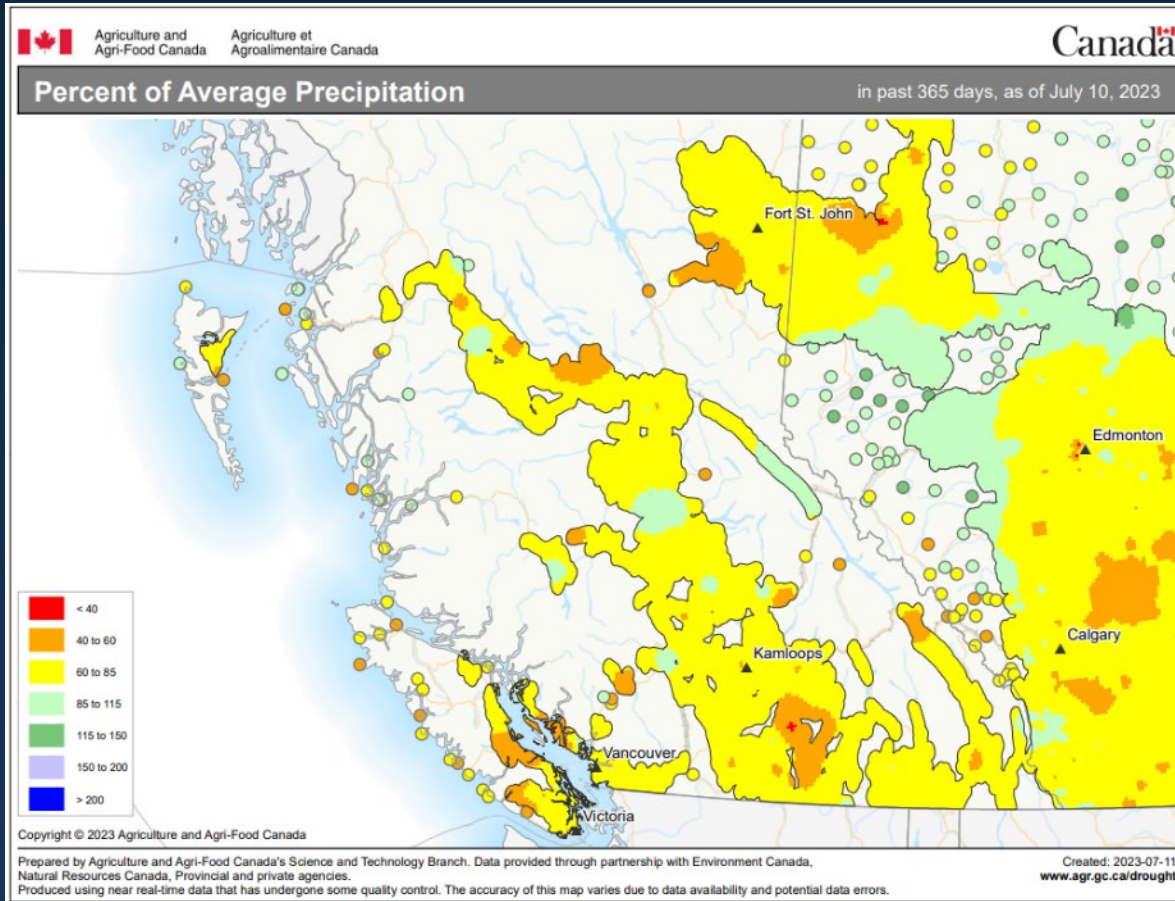
BCWS.FNIR@gov.bc.ca internal government email address

Send contact information : Name, community, email

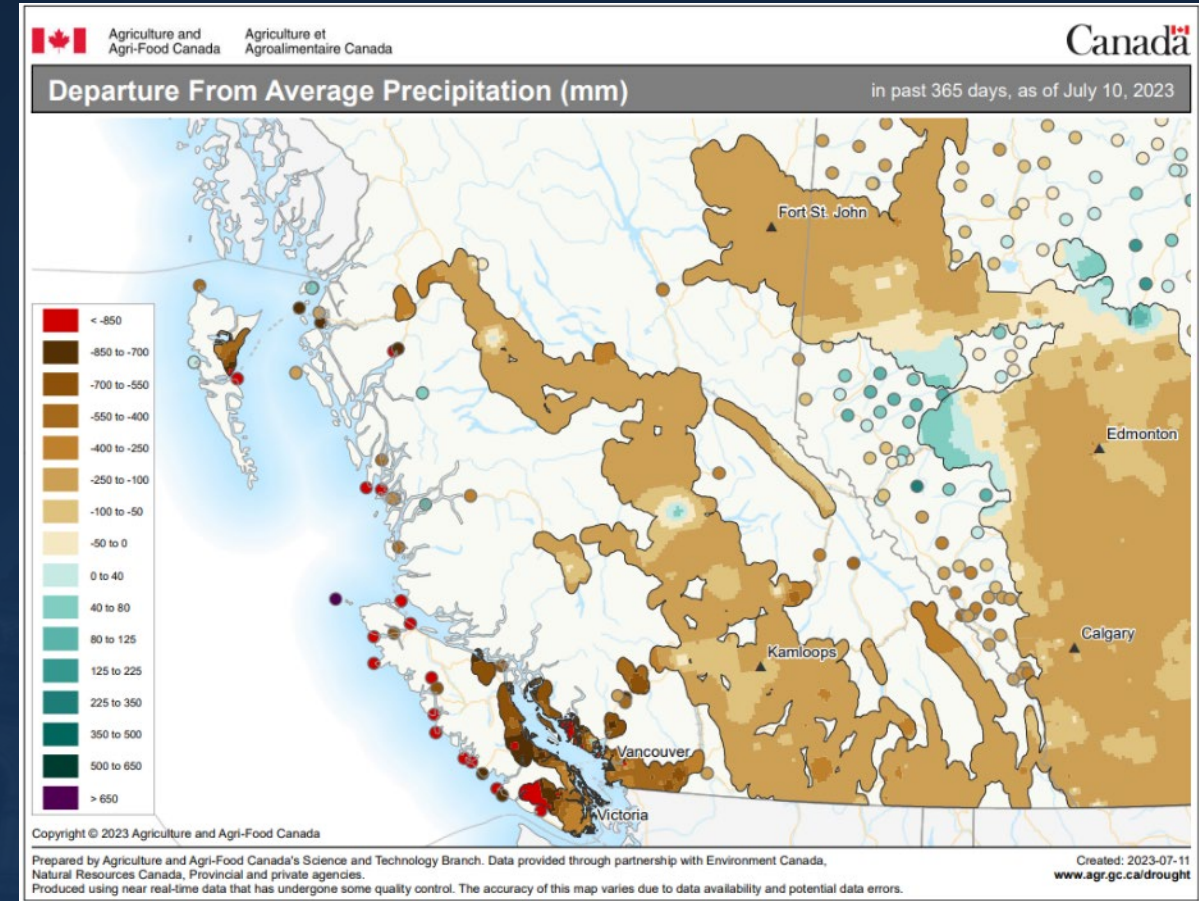
- Continued support in calling in wildfires
- Continued care while outside (still have human caused fires)
- Support in reminding the public to stay out of wildfire areas (ATV, drones etc)
- BCWS is actively signing up liaisons in communities affected by fire
- BCWS is actively signing up type 4 support crews in areas of the province

Precipitation

Percent of Average over past 365 days



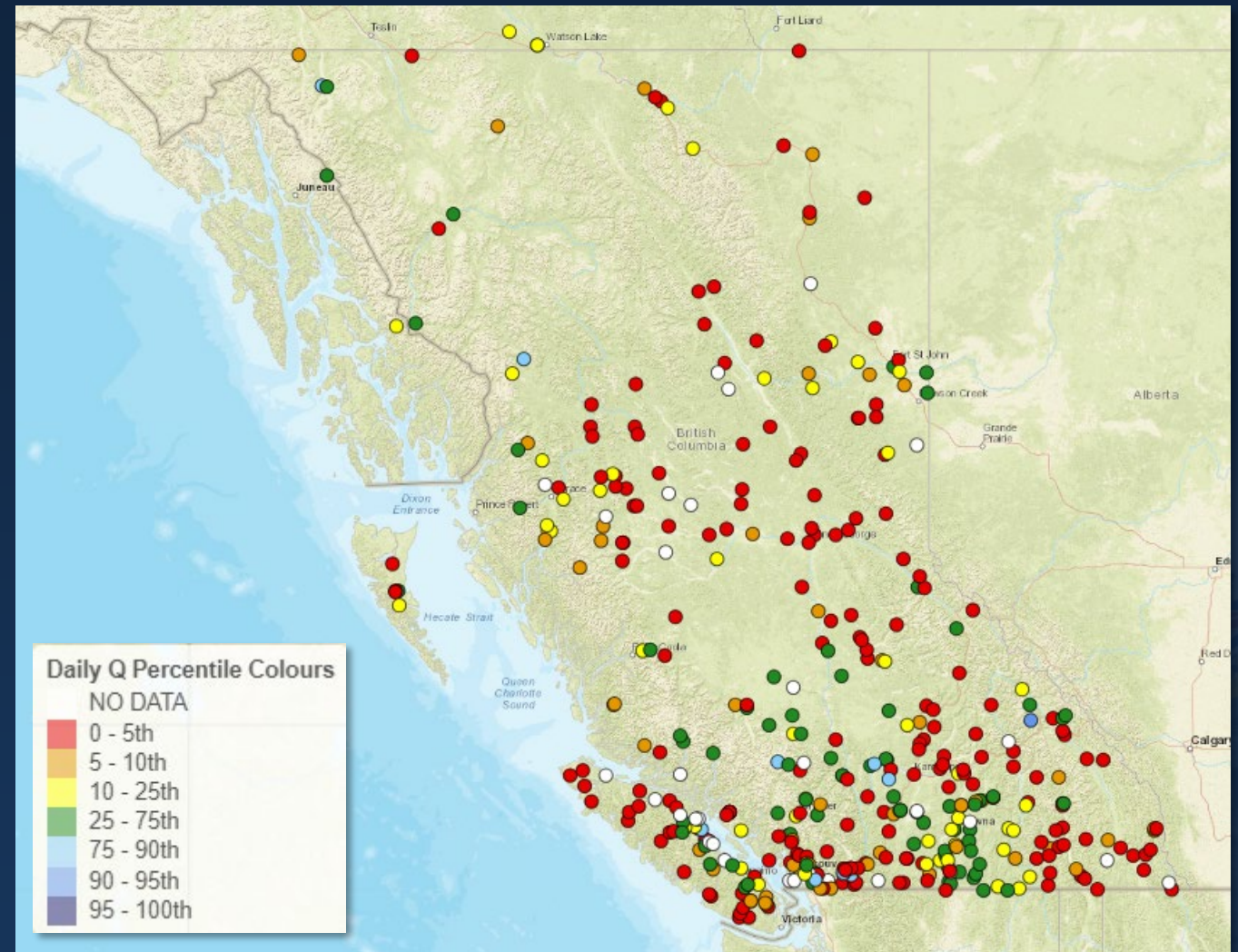
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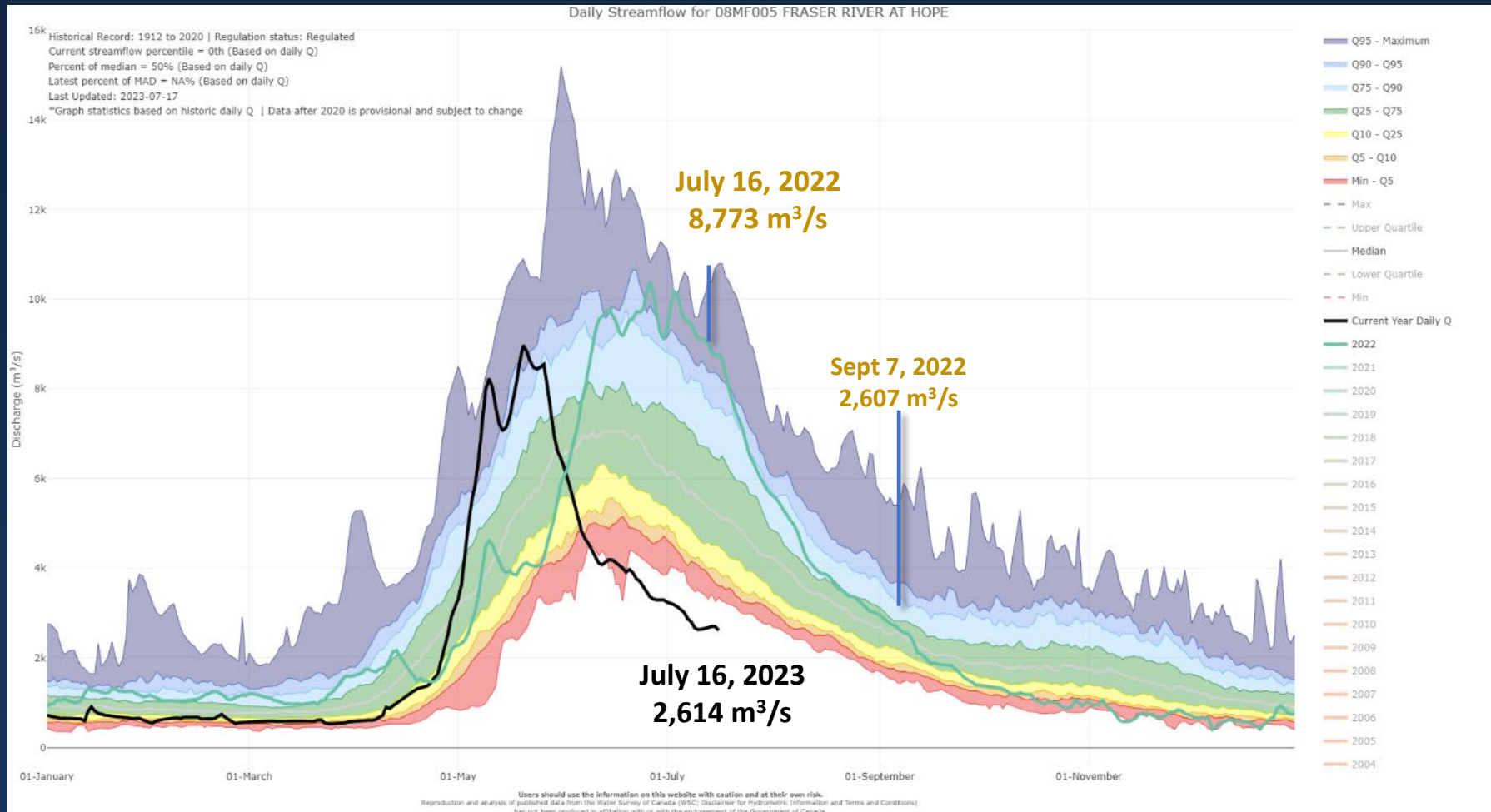
Streamflow

Daily Percentiles (as of July 17th)

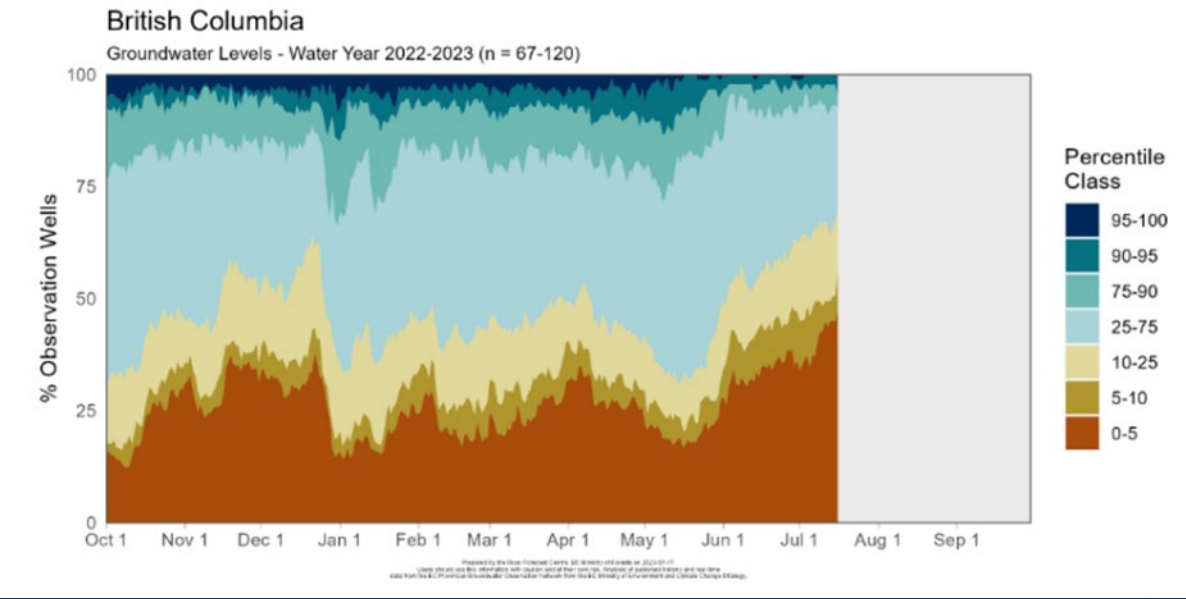
- 93 stations at lowest for July 17th (27%)
- 142 stations at 2nd percentile or lower (41%)
- 185 stations at 5th percentile or lower (53%)



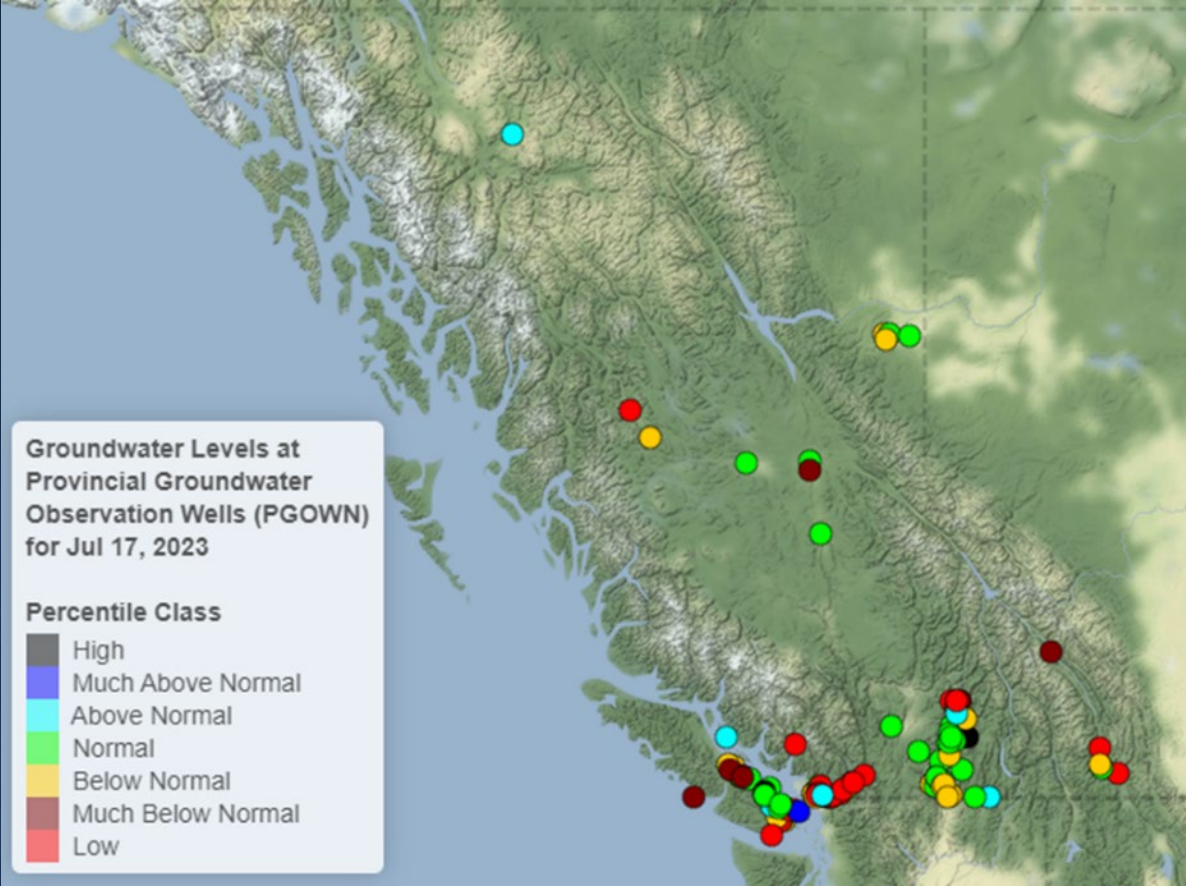
Fraser River at Hope



Groundwater



As of July 17th, 2023



Drought Information Portal

Current drought levels as of July 13, 2023

Next Update: Thursday July 20, 2023 @ 9am



Historic Drought levels

Year	Jul 1	Jul 15	Aug 1	Aug 15	Sep 1	Sep 15	Oct 1
2021							
2022							

EMCR PROVINCIAL CAPACITY TO RESPOND

EMCR OPERATIONS CENTRE	RESPONSE LEVEL (1-6)	COMMENTS
NORTH PREOC (NEA & NW REGIONS)	4 <i>Severe</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PREOC fully activated in response to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalation of wildfire activity and impacts Community drought response
CTL/SEA/VIC PREOCs	4 <i>Severe</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalating to Level 4 this week based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New wildfire activity with human consequence impacts Community drought response
SWE	3 <i>Moderate</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closely monitoring current wildfire activity/conditions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessing need to escalate response activity to support regional wildfire impacts or surge demands of other regions Community drought response
PROVINCIAL EMERGENCY COORDINATION CENTRE	4 <i>Severe</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalating to Level 4 to support to the North and CTL PREOCs PECC Activity includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directly supporting PREOC resourcing and information needs Ongoing Evacuation Branch & APU activity aimed at supporting wildfire evacuees Risk Management, Legal, Procurement, GIS and other technical PREOC supports Cross-agency drought response Maintaining advanced situational awareness of the overall provincial situation

HUMAN CONSEQUENCE IMPACTS: WILDFIRE 2023

INFORMATION CURRENT AS OF JULY 18, 2023, @ 08:00

Numbers are preliminary and subject to change

REGION	COMMUNITY	SOLE/ BCR	START	ORDERS	ALERTS	PROPERTIES	
						ORDER	ALERT
NWE	Takla First Nation	1	June 25	2	2	12	78
NWE	Bulkley Nechako RD	1	June 30	12	16	225	1072
NEA	Northern Rockies RM	1	June 30	2	3	-	3
NEA	Cariboo RD	2	July 08	8	4	78	107
NWE	Wet'suwet'en FN	-	July 08	1	-	1	-
NWE	Skin Tyee FN	-	July 08	1	-	1	-
NWE	Saik'uz FN	-	July 08	1	1	-	192
NEA	Ulkatcho First Nation	3	July 09	4	-	Unavailable	-
NWE	Lake Babine Nation	-	July 09	1	1	57	3
NWE	Daylu Dena Council	1	July 10	1	-	0	-
NWE	Unincorporated Stikine Region	1	July 10	1	-	Unavailable	-
NEA	Nazko FN	-	July 10	-	1	-	4
NEA	Fraser Fort George RD	1	July 11	1	-	0	-
CTL	Squamish Lillooet RD	-	July 11	-	1	-	6
VIC	Central Coast RD	1	July 11	1	-	0	-
NWE	Tl'azt'en FN	-	July 11	-	2	-	Unavailable
NWE	Yekooche FN	1	July 11	1	-	Unavailable	-
NWE	Nadleh Whut'en FN	1	July 12	-	1	-	172
NEA	Lhoosk'uk Dene FN	1	July 12	1	-	Unavailable	-
NWE	Sik-E-Dahk FN	-	July 13	-	1	-	135
NWE	Gitnamaax FN	-	July 13	-	1	-	Unavailable
NWE	RD Kitamat Stikine	-	July 13	-	2	-	20
NEA	Nak'azdli Whut'en FN	1	July 14	1	-	Unavailable	-
NWE	Village of Fraser Lake	-	July 15	-	1	-	13
SEA	Aq'am FN	1	July 17	1	1	54	18
SEA	East Kootenay RD	-	July 17	-	1	-	23
CTL	Central Okanagan RD	-	July 17	-	1	-	18

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