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Wildfire Danger California

- Forecasters are concerned about a brief but intense period of winds across Southern California that could lead to multiple hazards across the droughtstricken landscape.
- A storm that was tracking along and just east of the Sierra Nevada on Monday night will churn up the gusty Santa Ana winds over the mountains and through the canyons of Southern California.



- Gusts on the order of 40-60 mph will be common for the typical wind-prone areas, with some of the highest elevations likely to experience gusts up to 80 mph.
- Since much of Southern California is still in the midst of at least moderate drought conditions, the combination of dry fuels and strong winds can also raise fire danger concerns during this Santa Ana event.
- Despite the increased rain opportunities this month, the region's last measurable rainfall was over a week ago, and the rain that fell earlier in the month has not been enough to fully quench the ground and extinguish the fire danger.
- The good news is that the winds will diminish fairly quickly and will likely ease by Wednesday afternoon. However, another round of gusty conditions could arrive as early as later this week.

Joint Preliminary Damage Assessments							
State	Event	Number of Counties for IA		Start-End			
		Requested	Completed	Stall-Ellu			
НІ	Severe Weather, Flooding and Landslides March 8-15, 2021	2	0	3/22-TBD			

WSP USA Inspection Services Active Disasters							
Disaster Number and State	Disaster Type	Number of Counties Declared	Days Since Launch	Registration Deadline			
4586 TX	Severe Ice Storm	126 Counties	29	4/20/2021			



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