

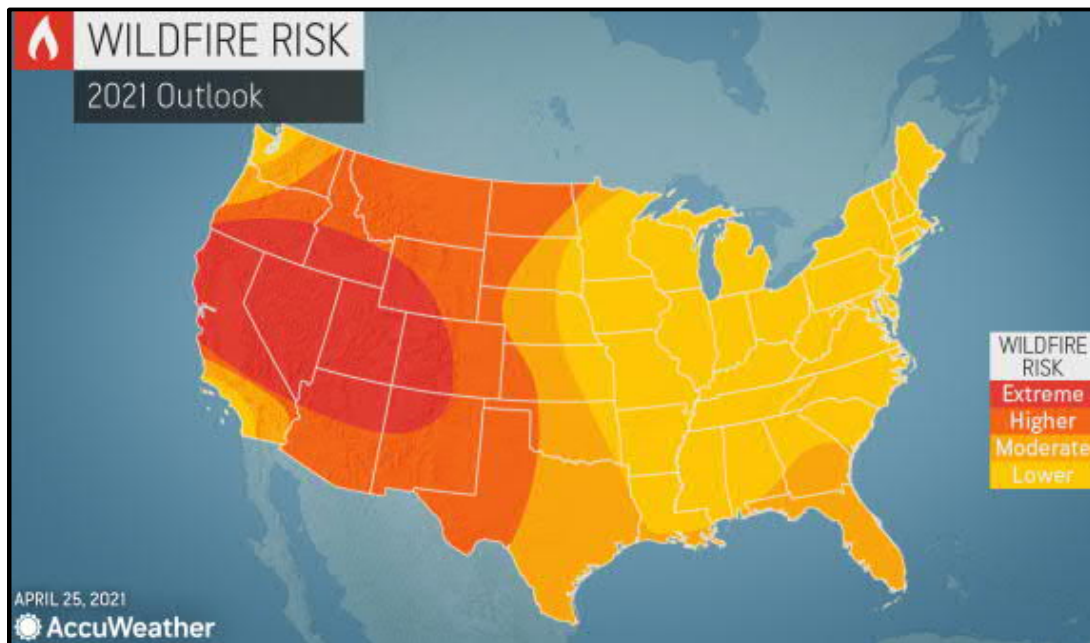
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WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES DISASTER AWARENESS REPORT

May 7, 2021

## 2021 Wildfire Season Outlook

- The significant lack of precipitation in recent months has set the stage for a dangerous season ahead, with more than 75% of the western United States experiencing drought conditions, 21% of which is under exceptional drought, which is the most extreme level, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.
- After a record-smashing wildfire season in 2020, many across the western U.S. are still putting the pieces of their lives back together as the 2021 season is getting underway.
- The dangerously dry conditions will play a crucial role in wildfire activity potentially consuming millions of acres this season, which unofficially runs from May to October each year.
- According to AccuWeather Senior Meteorologist Dave Samuhel, this year's season is forecast to burn 9.5 million acres of land across the western U.S., which would be 130% of the five-year average and 140% of the 10-year average.
- Samuhel said this season will not only be an active one for wildfires, but a potentially long-lasting one as well. A big reason for that is due to the extremely dry spring season that many Western states have endured, which can spell trouble, particularly in the beginning of the season.
- The unofficial season for wildfire activity stretches from May to October, but the unofficial nature of that range has been proven already in 2021.
- From Jan. 1 to April 29, the pre-season fire activity has already consumed more than 461,000 acres, according to the Insurance Information Institute.
- One of the most notable blazes burning thus far, New Mexico's Three Rivers Fire, started in the Desert Southwest just as Samuhel had forecast.



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## Pending Individual Assistance Declaration Request

State	Event	Date Submitted	Approved/Denied /Pending	Number of Counties/Tribes
TN	Severe Storms, Tornadoes, Straight-line Winds & Flooding March 25 - April 3	4/30/2021	Pending	3 Counties
WV	Severe Storms & Flooding Feb 27 - March 4	4/30/2021	Pending	4 Counties

## 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	74	5/20/2021
4595 KY	Severe Storms & Flooding	9 Counties	6	6/23/2021

## WSP USA INSPECTION SERVICES ACTIVITY

