



Gradual Cooling Trend Through the End of the Week | Breezy Conditions Through Thursday

KEY POINTS

- A gradual cooling trend will continue to take place through the rest of the week with temperatures expected to fall below normal.
- Breezy conditions to develop with the strongest winds across Imperial County later today, extending into Arizona on Thursday.
- Dry conditions with very minimal rain chances will prevail through the next several days.

CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS BRIEFING

Removed minor wind threat for southwest AZ as winds are now forecast to be slightly weaker.

WEATHER RISK OUTLOOK

Risk levels incorporate potential impacts from weather hazards and likelihood of occurrence. The weather hazard with the greatest risk will be listed first in the matrix.

| | Wed 9/20 | Thu 9/21 | Fri 9/22 | Sat 9/23 | Sun 9/24 |
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| Phoenix Metro Area Including Maricopa & NW Pinal Counties | Heat | Heat | Heat | Heat | Heat |
| High Terrain SC AZ S. Gila County and Tonto NF Foothills in NE Maricopa County | Heat | Heat Wind | Heat | Heat | Heat |
| Southwest Arizona Including La Paz & Yuma Counties | Heat | Heat | Heat | Heat | Heat |
| Southeast California Including Imperial & Eastern Riverside Counties | Heat Wind | Heat Wind | Heat | Heat | Heat |

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| Risk Levels | Little to None | Minor | Moderate | Major | Extreme |
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DETAILS

Phoenix Metropolitan Area



Impacts:

Low Risk for heat-related illnesses for those extremely sensitive to heat, especially those without effective cooling and/or adequate hydration.

Timing:

Daily Minor HeatRisk

Higher Terrain South Central Arizona (Southern Gila County & Tonto NF Foothills in Maricopa County)



Heat

Impacts:

Low Risk for heat-related illnesses for those extremely sensitive to heat, especially those without effective cooling and/or adequate hydration.

Timing:

Daily Minor HeatRisk



Wind

Impacts:

Loose or unsecured objects may be blown away

Timing:

Thursday afternoon and early evening

- Winds gusting up to 30-35 mph, resulting in a localized elevated fire danger threat.

Southwest Arizona (La Paz & Yuma Counties)



Heat

Impacts:

Low Risk for heat-related illnesses for those extremely sensitive to heat, especially those without effective cooling and/or adequate hydration.

Timing:

Daily Minor HeatRisk

Southeast California (Imperial and Eastern Riverside Counties)



Heat

Impacts:

Low Risk for heat-related illnesses for those extremely sensitive to heat, especially those without effective cooling and/or adequate hydration.

Timing:

Daily Minor HeatRisk



Wind

Impacts:

Loose or unsecured objects may be blown away

Timing:

Through Thursday

- Winds gusting 30-40 mph, mainly across the western half of Imperial County later today with some of the stronger gusts extending into portions of Riverside County on Thursday.
- Localized gusts over 40 mph likely across the southwestern corner of Imperial County for both days.
- Patchy blowing dust across portions of Imperial County with the stronger gusts.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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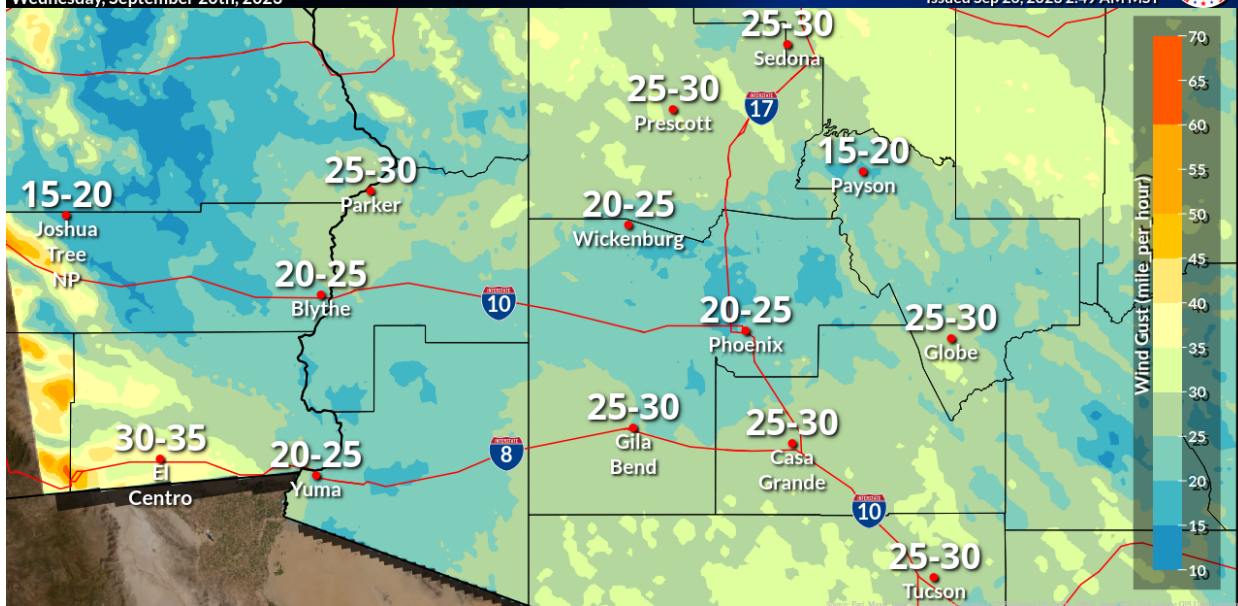
GRAPHICS

Peak Wind Gusts

Wednesday, September 20th, 2023

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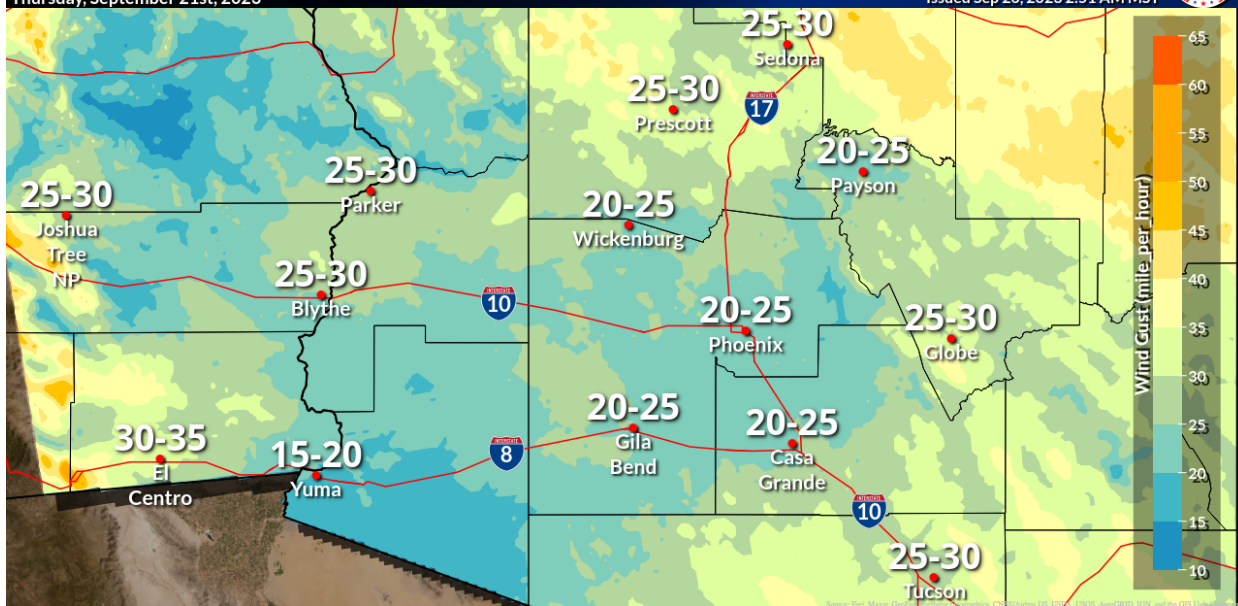
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Peak Wind Gusts

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