

Weekly Wildfire Update

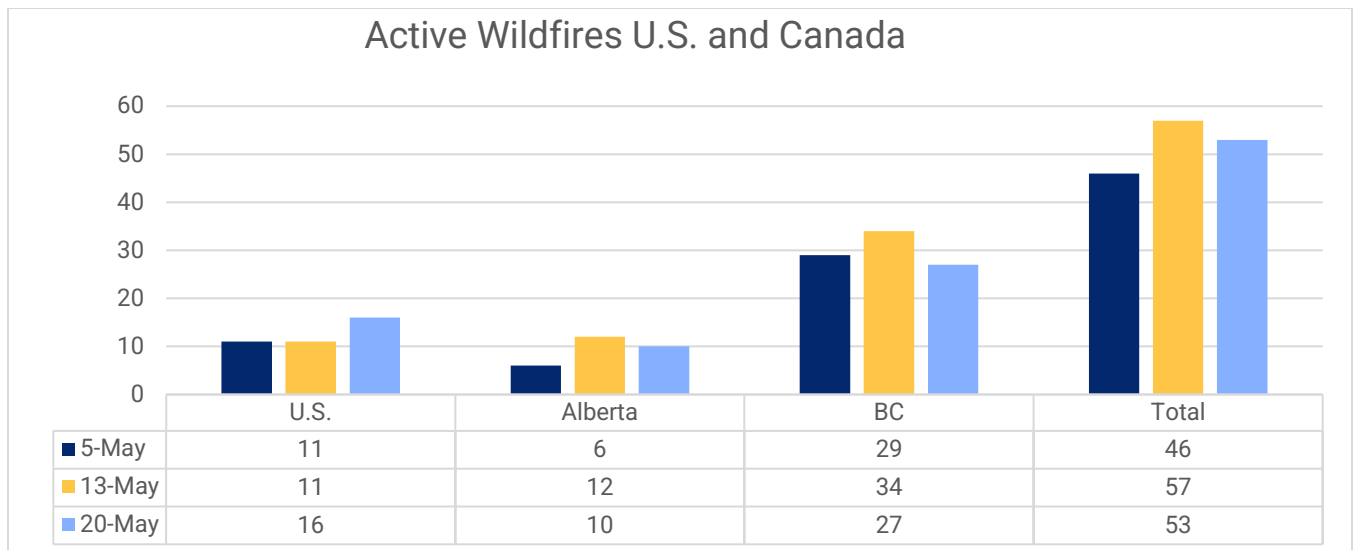
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This is a high-level summary of the wildfire risk to the bulk power system. Because fires are dynamic, and circumstances may change quickly, this information is for general purposes only and should not be relied on as accurate.

Active Wildfires (U.S. and Canada)

In the Western U.S., the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) reports four large (>1,000 acres) wildfires under full suppression strategies in three western states. Montana, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico. Alberta has none, and British Columbia has five fires burning out of control.

Active Fires in the Western Interconnection – May 20, 2026



Western Interconnection Transmission Lines at Risk (U.S.)

An at-risk transmission line is any line within three miles of

- An active wildfire
- A new incident discovered in the past 24 hours
- A hotspot detected by NOAA satellite

Lines at Risk – May 20, 2026

There are no interconnection lines at risk.

Events of Note

None to report this week.

Wildfires of Note (Canada)

British Columbia – None to report this week.

Alberta – None to report this week.

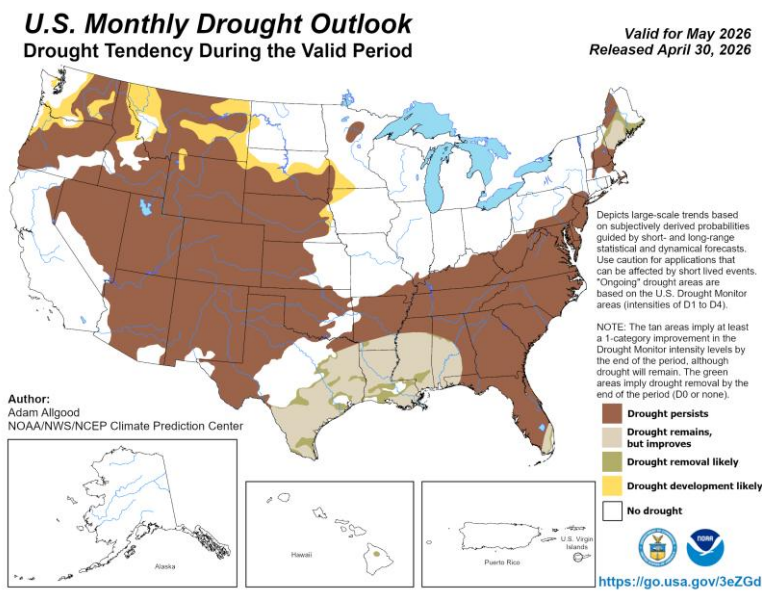
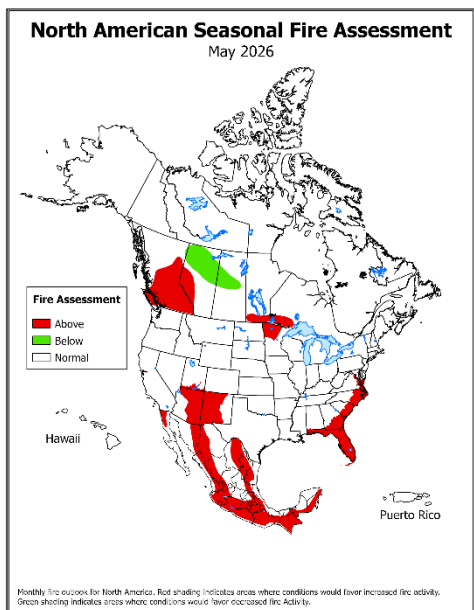
A wildfire of note is a fire determined to be of significant public interest and may pose a threat to public safety, communities, or critical infrastructure.

Wildfire and Drought Outlook – May

Canada

The forecast for May anticipates well-above-normal fire risk for the southern half of British Columbia.

There will still be an overall drying trend that will enhance fire activity. Additionally, warmer-than-average temperatures will add to the fire potential. Southern British Columbia is expected to have the greatest risk for fire activity, and the rest of the Prairie Provinces are predicted to have higher-than-normal fire weather conditions.



Fire Weather Conditions – May

United States

Above-normal significant fire potential is forecast for the southern portion of British Columbia and the Desert Southwest regions. Extreme drought will continue in the western U.S.

6-10 Day Outlook

The precipitation outlook for the next week ranges from normal along the Pacific coastline to normal for the southeast quarter of the interconnection. Precipitation in Canada is forecast to be normal for the next week. Temperatures will be above normal along the eastern third of the interconnection, turning to more seasonal through the Pacific coast states. British Columbia and Alberta will enjoy increased precipitation along the coast and mild temperatures for the next week.

