



California Air Resources Board CANSAC Applications

California Environmental Protection Agency



Air Resources Board

Presentation Overview

- CARB Operations
- Smoke Management and CANSAC
- Blue Sky



Air Resources Board

Our Mission:

To promote and protect public health, welfare and ecological resources through effective and efficient reduction of air pollutants in recognition and consideration of the effects on the economy of the state.

Vegetative Burning Pollutants

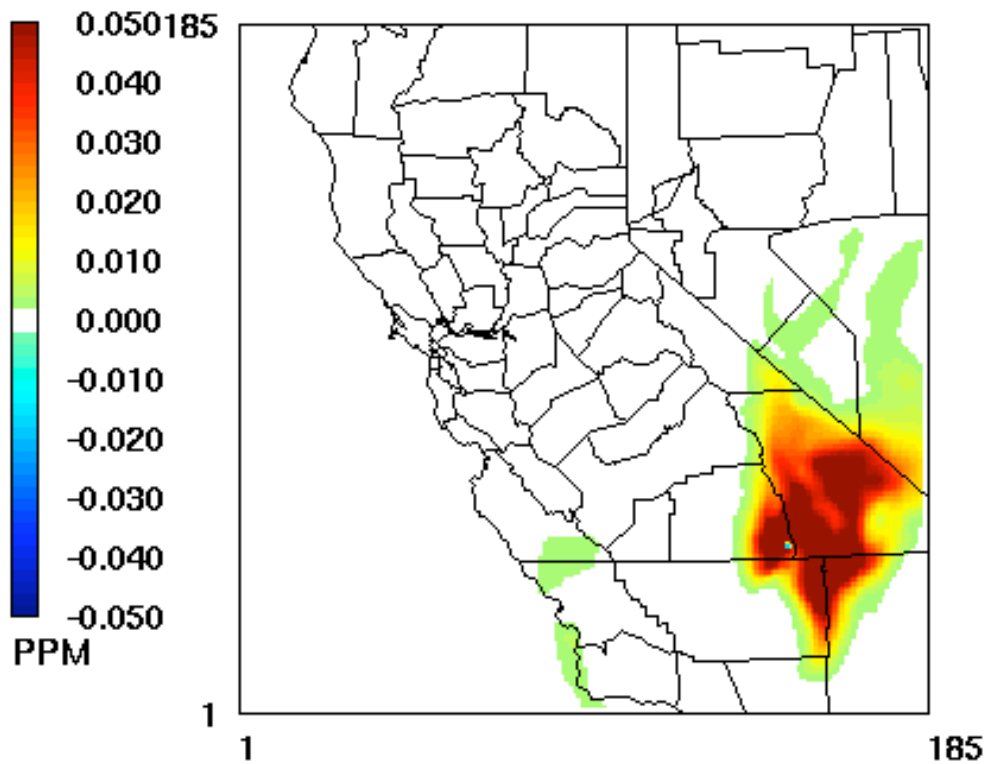
- Focus is primarily on particulate matter (PM_{10} , $PM_{2.5}$) due to health & visibility
- But also other pollutants
 - Carbon Monoxide
 - Carbon Dioxide
 - Methane
 - Hydrocarbons (VOC, ROG)
 - Toxics, Ammonia
 - Oxides of Nitrogen (NO_x)



July 31, 2000 12:35 PDT

O3 Change with Fires

Compare with MODIS Terra Satellite Image
b=JulAug.2000.SRC.Fires, c=JulAug.2000.SRC.NoFires



PAVE
by
MCNC

July 31, 2000 13:00:00
Min= -0.017 at (148,45), Max= 0.198 at (148,49)

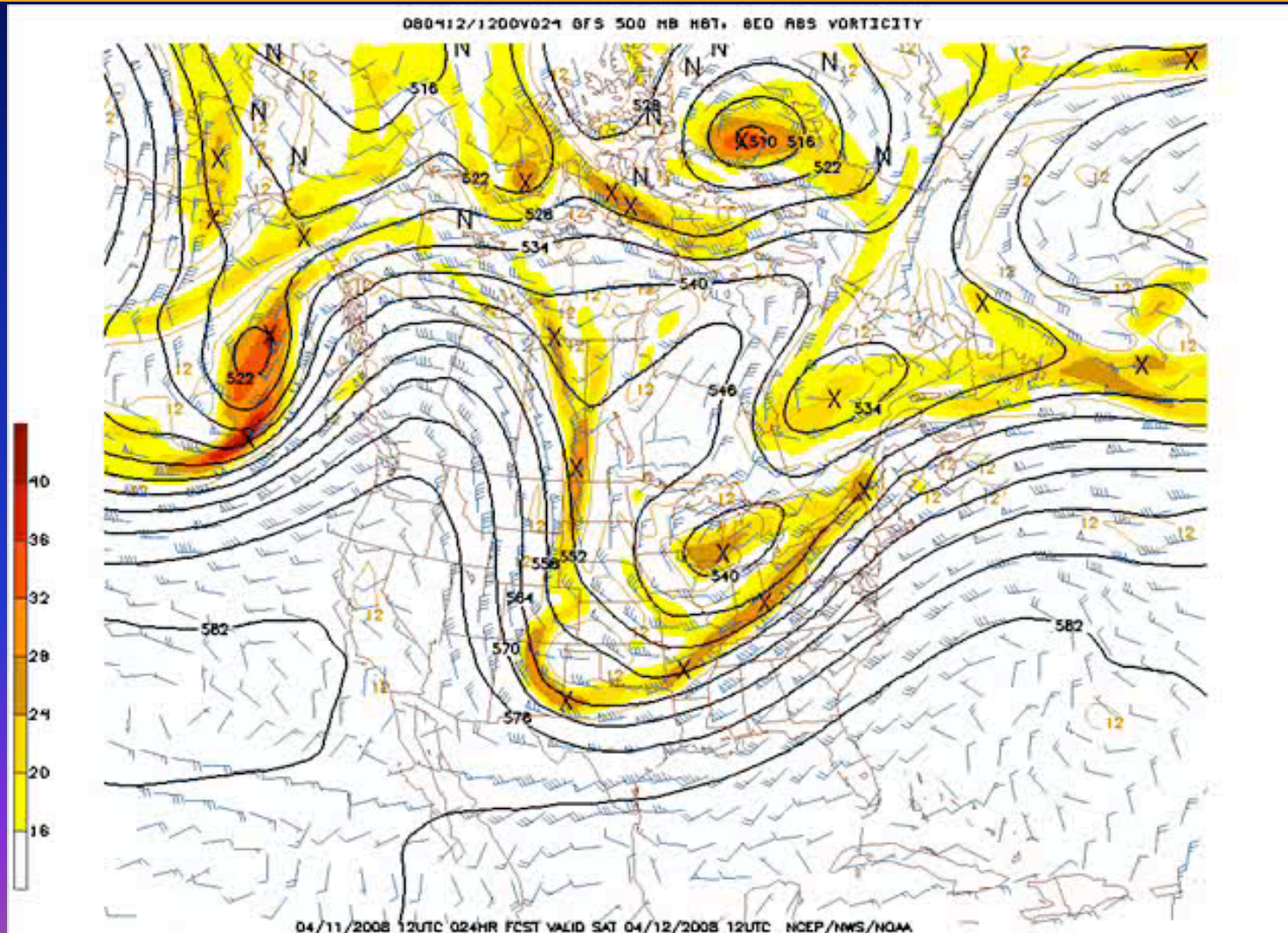
Determining Burn Day Status

- Baseline Air Quality
- 500 mb Heights
- Maximum Mixing Height
- Wind Speed (Mixing Layer)
- 3000 Foot vs. Surface Temperatures

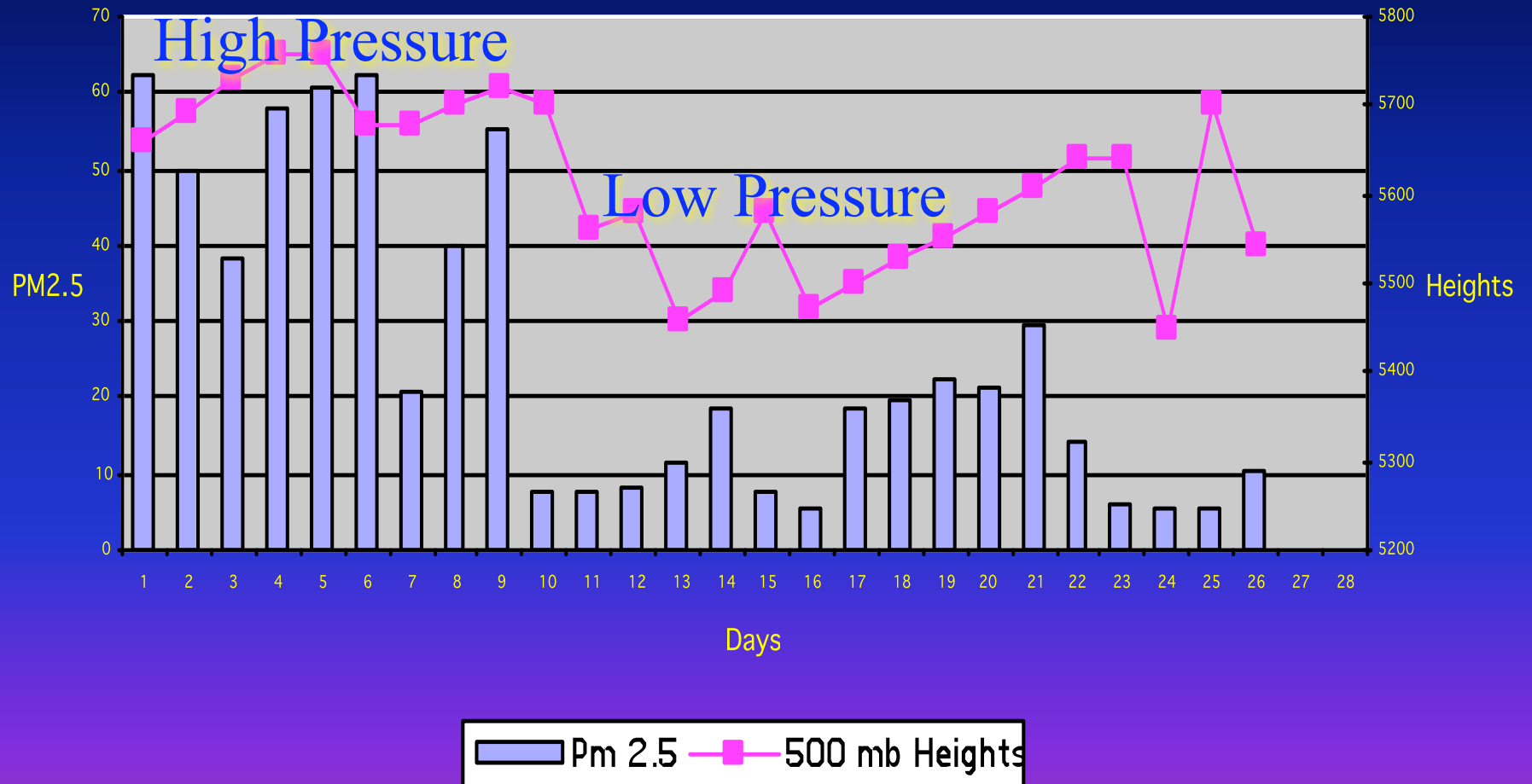
Determining Burn Day Status

- Baseline Air Quality
(AQMIS) <http://www.arb.ca.gov/aqd/aqinfo.htm>, <http://www.satguard.com/USFS4/realtime.asp>, Airnow, or Local Air District.
- 500 mb Heights
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- Maximum Mixing Height
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500 mb Forecast

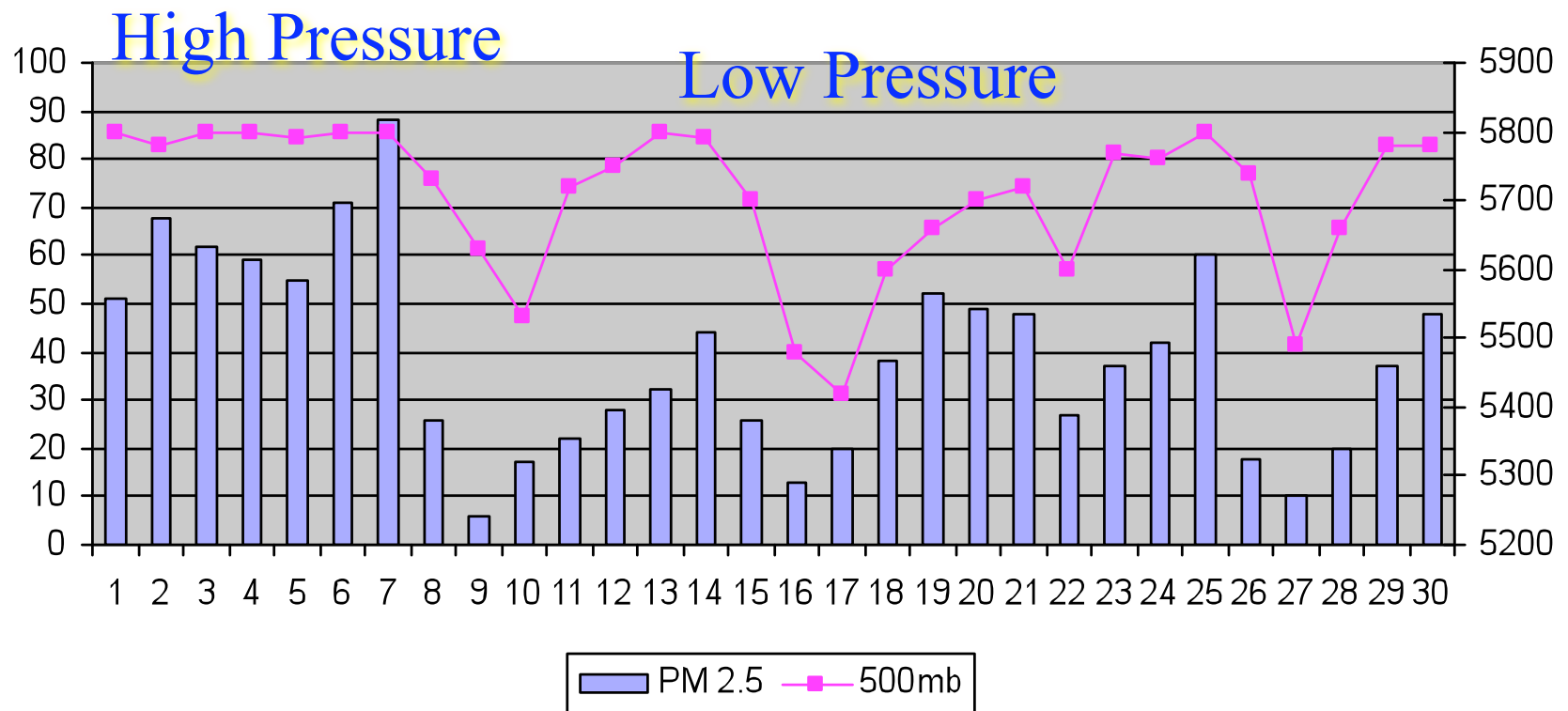


500 mb Heights vs PM 2.5 in Chico

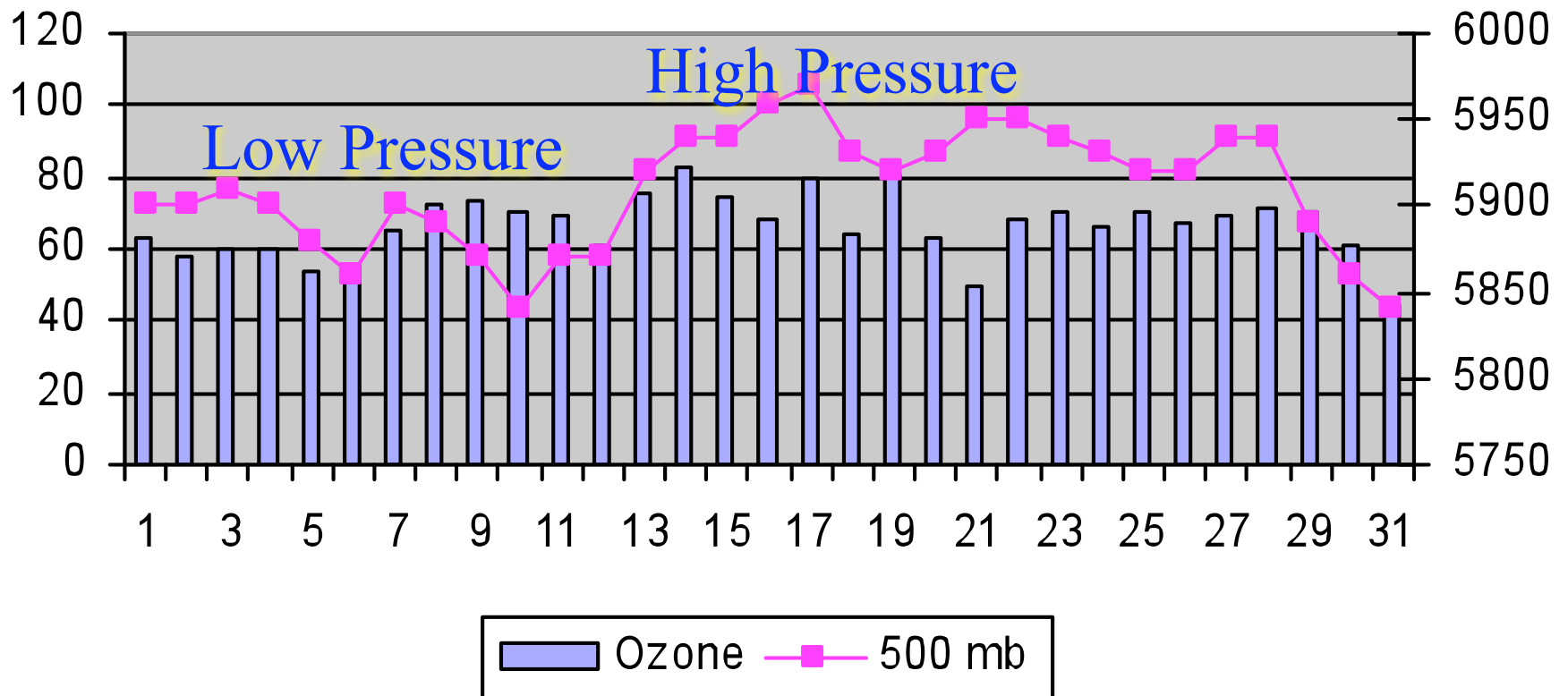


500 mb Heights vs PM 2.5 in Fresno

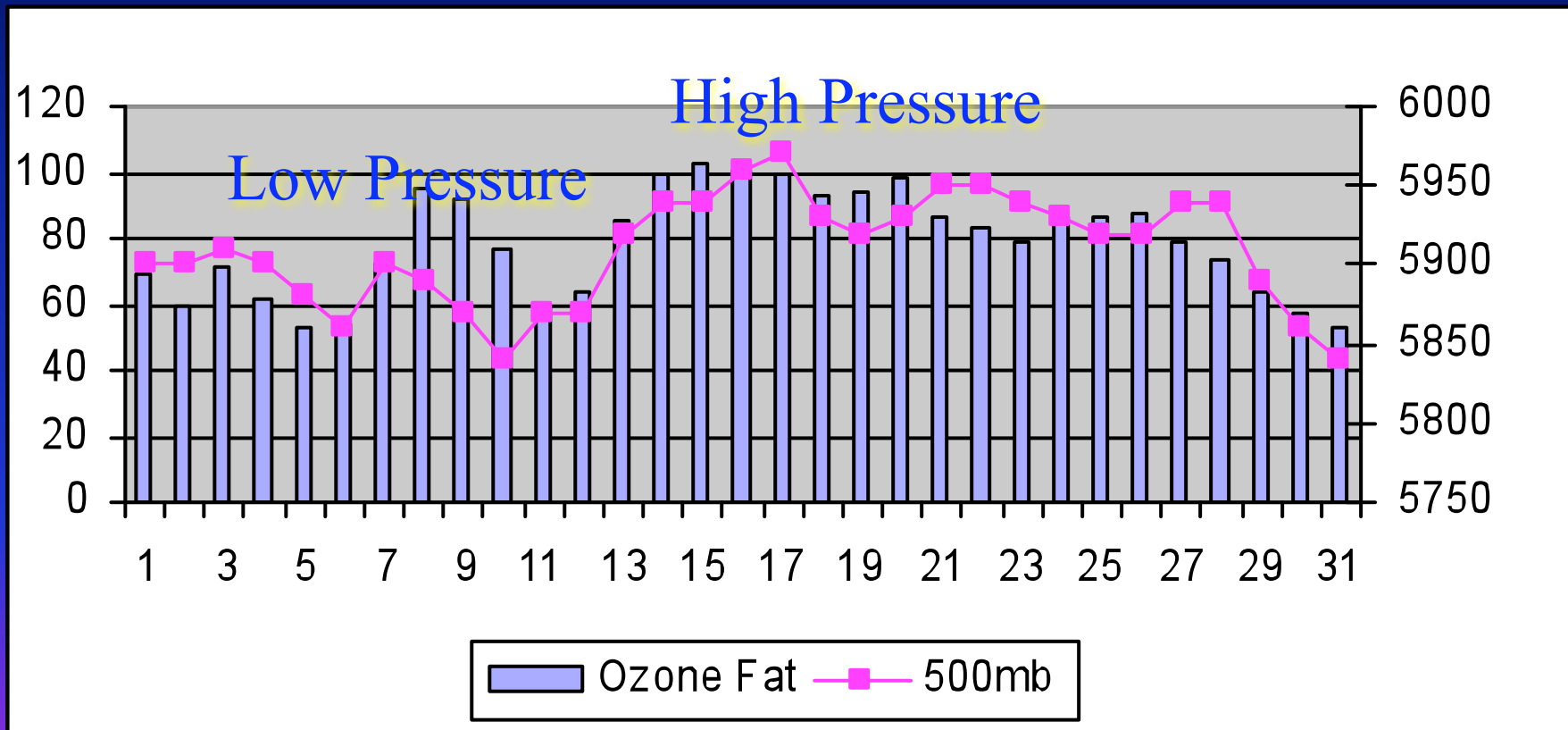
Oak 500 mb vs Fresno 1st PM 2.5



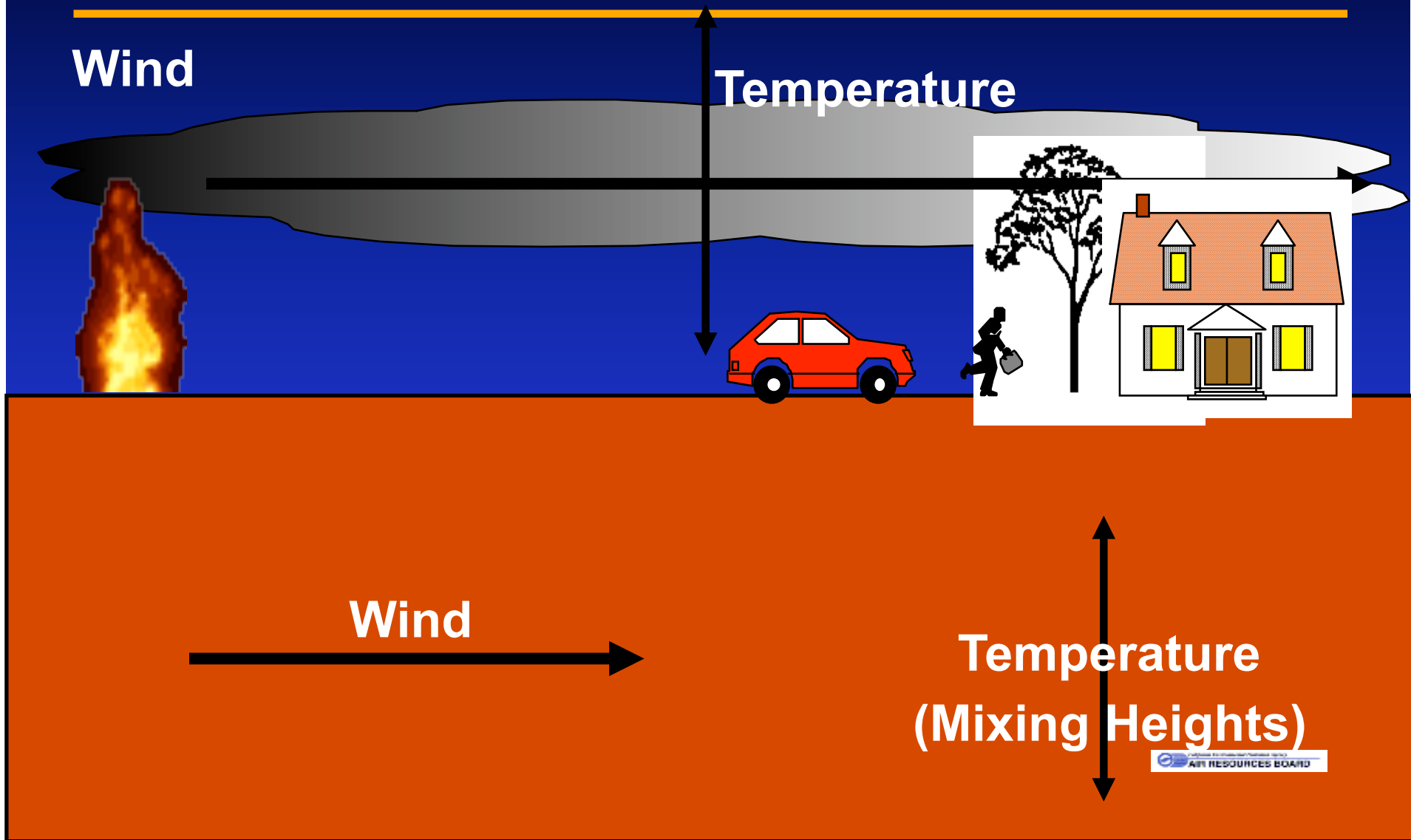
500 mb Heights vs Ozone in Yosemite



500 mb Heights vs Ozone in Fresno



Atmospheric Dispersion



ALTITUDE
(ft)

3000

2000

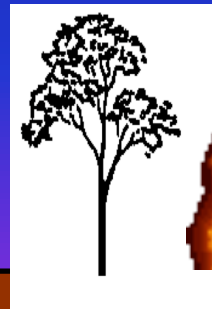
1000

Mixing heights

Mixing heights



**Poor Air Quality –
Inadequate Volume**

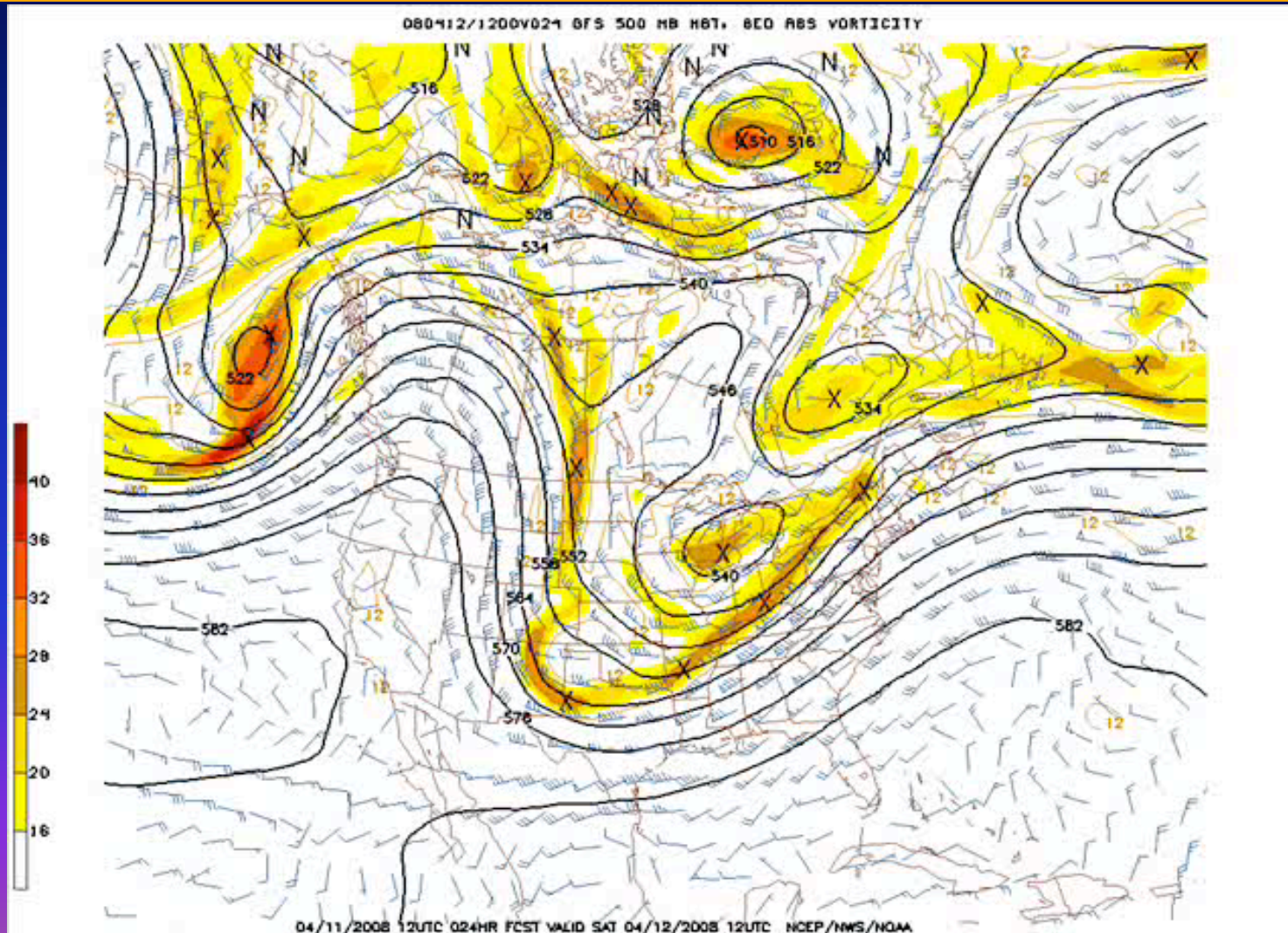


**Good Air Quality -
Adequate Volume**

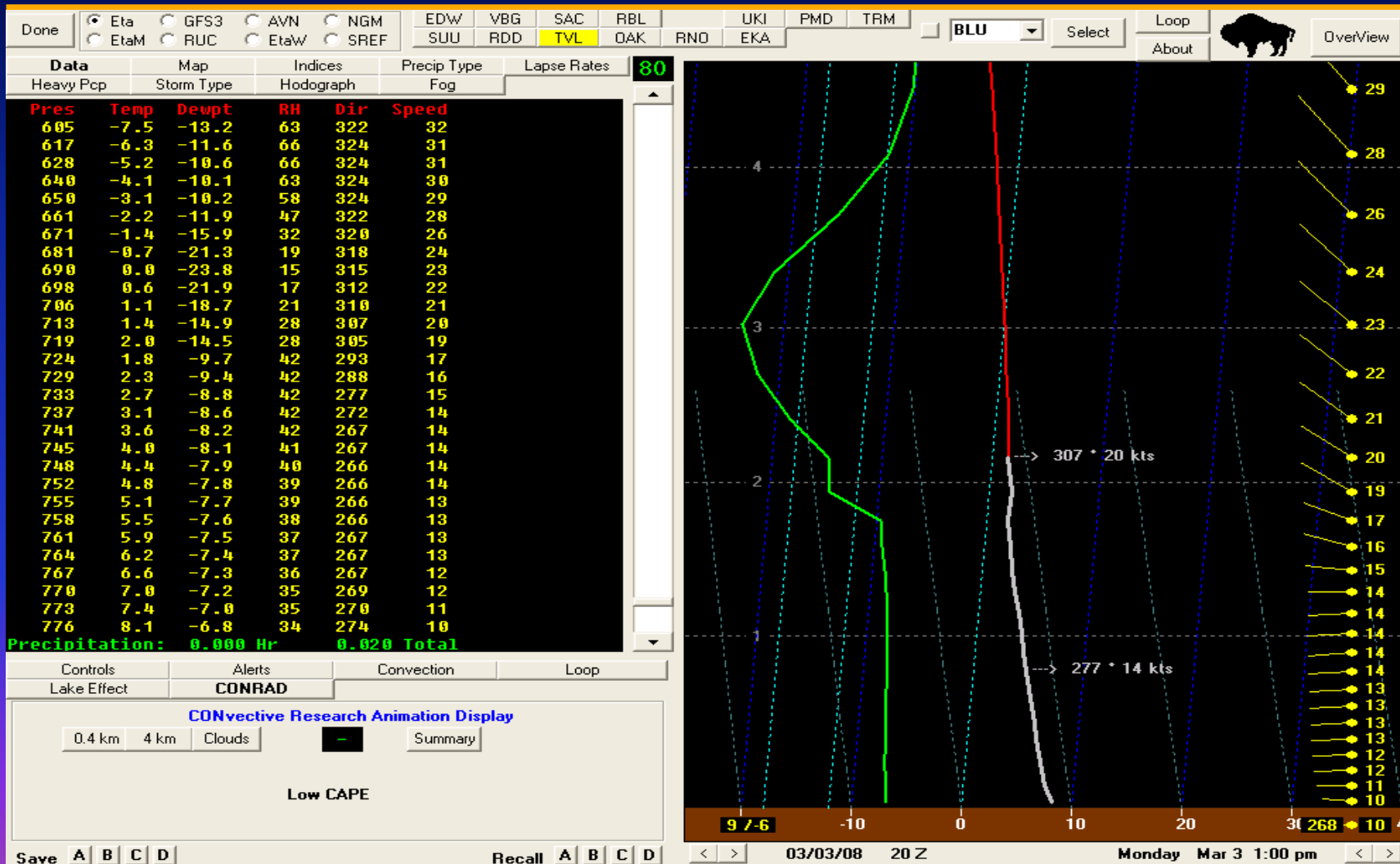
Smoke Management and CANSAC

- Met data not focused on California.
- Most information not produced specifically for smoke management.
- Most meteorological information not readable to average person.

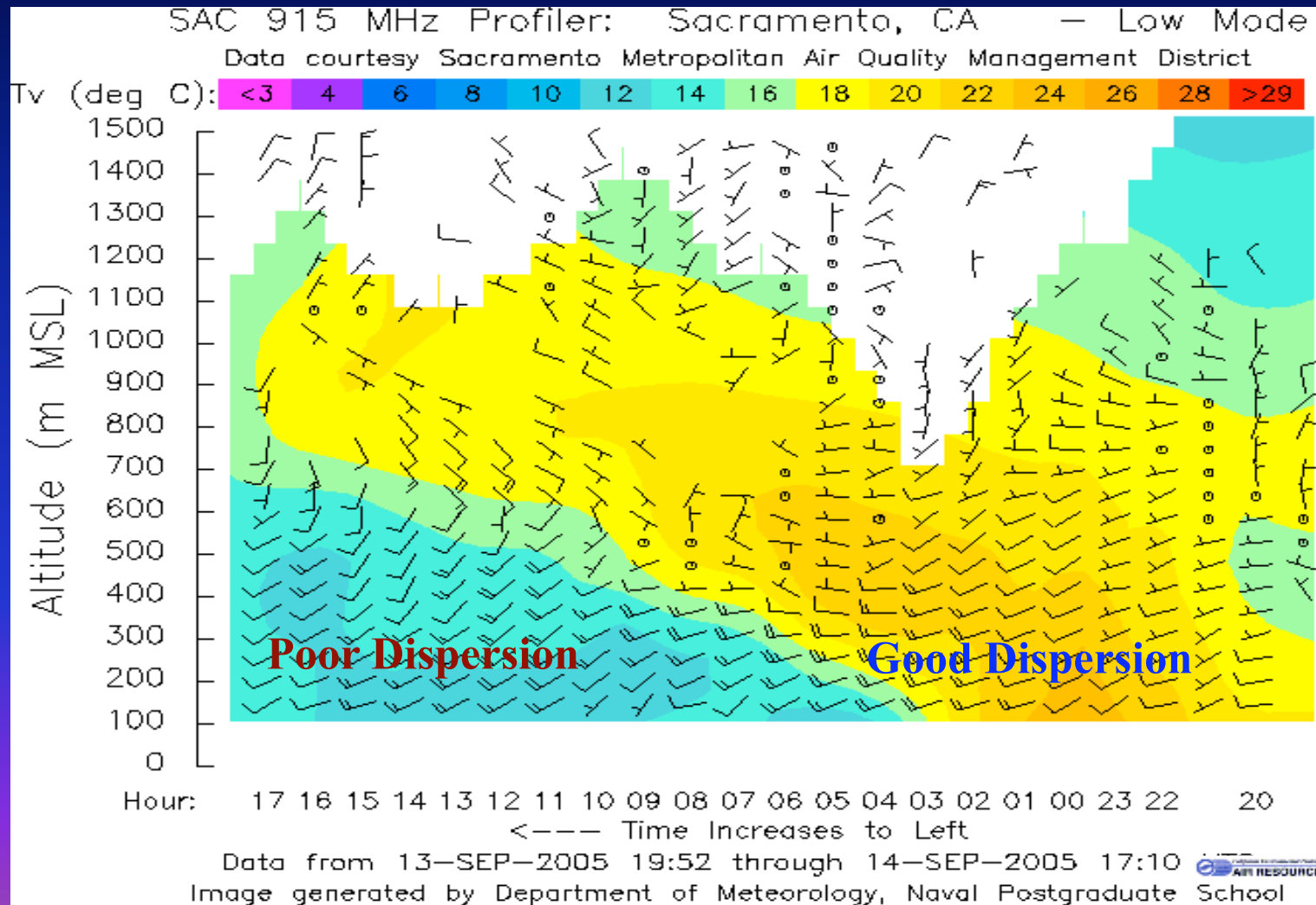
500 mb Forecast



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Profilers



CANSAC MM5 Realtime: Domain 3 (4 km)

Init: 1200 UTC Wed 30 Apr 08

Fcst: 24.00

Valid: 1200 UTC Thu 01 May 08 (0500 PDT Thu 01 May 08)

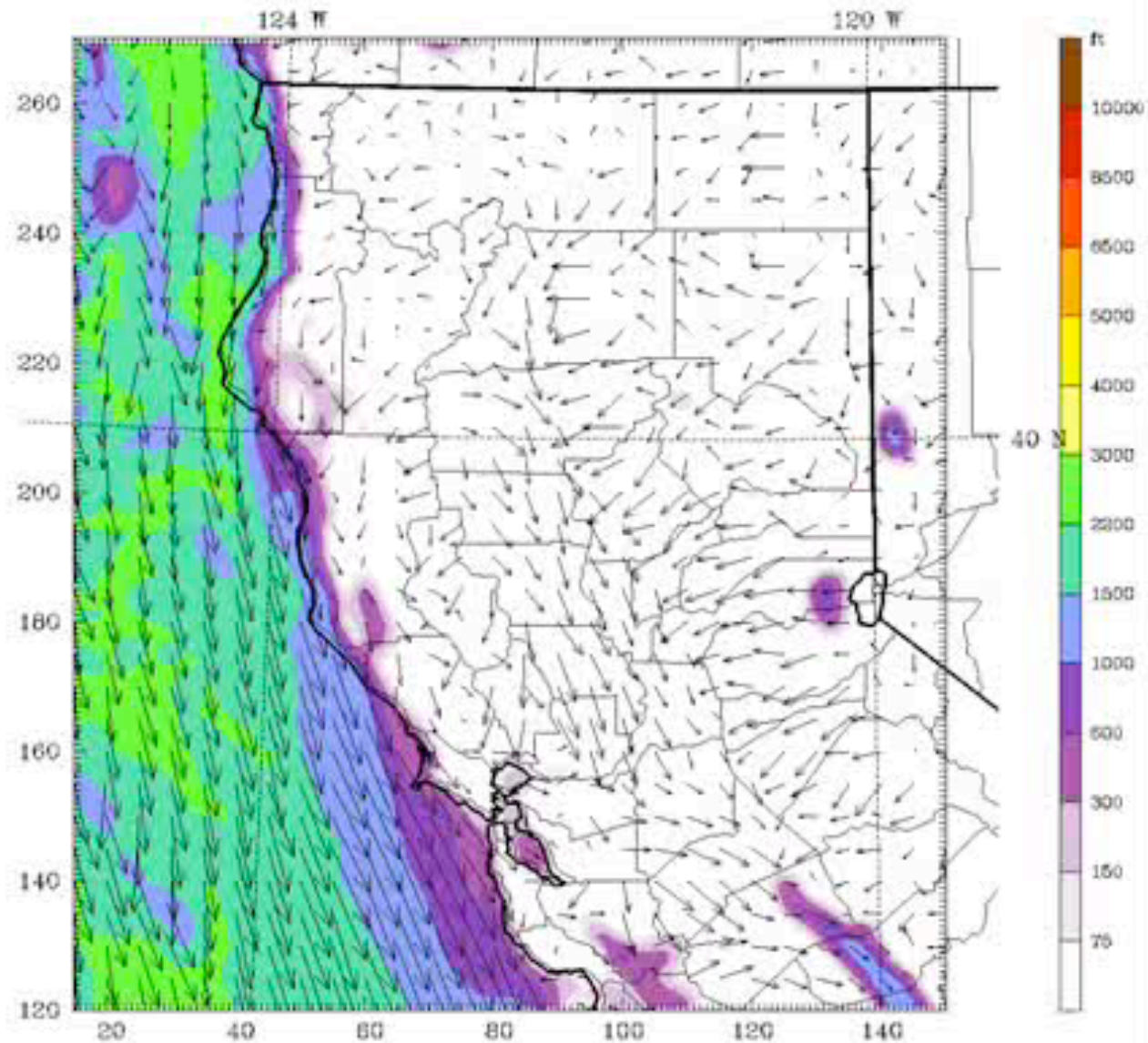
Mixing Height

sm= 2

Horizontal wind vectors

at height = 0.01 km

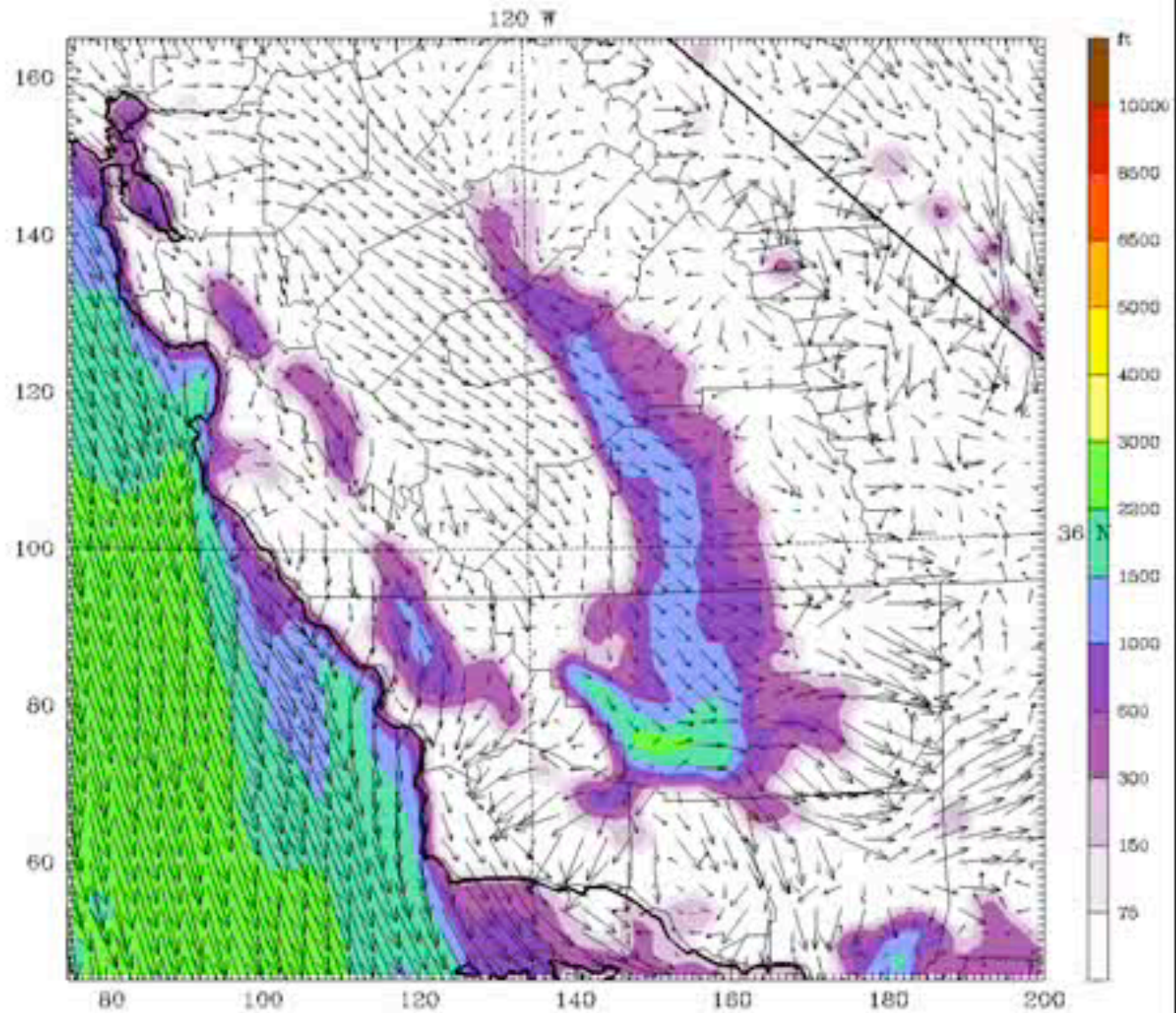
sm= 1



MAGNUM VECTOR: 28.0 mi hr⁻¹ →

Model info: V3.7.3 No Cumulus Eta PBL Simple ice 4 km, 31 levels, 12 sec

CANSAC MM5 Realtime: Domain 3 (4 km) Init: 1200 UTC Tue 29 Apr 08
Fest: 24.00 Valid: 1200 UTC Wed 30 Apr 08 (0500 PDT Wed 30 Apr 08)
Mixing Height sm= 2
Horizontal wind vectors at height = 0.01 km sm= 1



Model info: V3.7.3 No Cumulus Eta PBL Simple ice 4 km, 31 levels, 12 sec

CANSAC MM5 Realtime: Domain 3 (4 km)

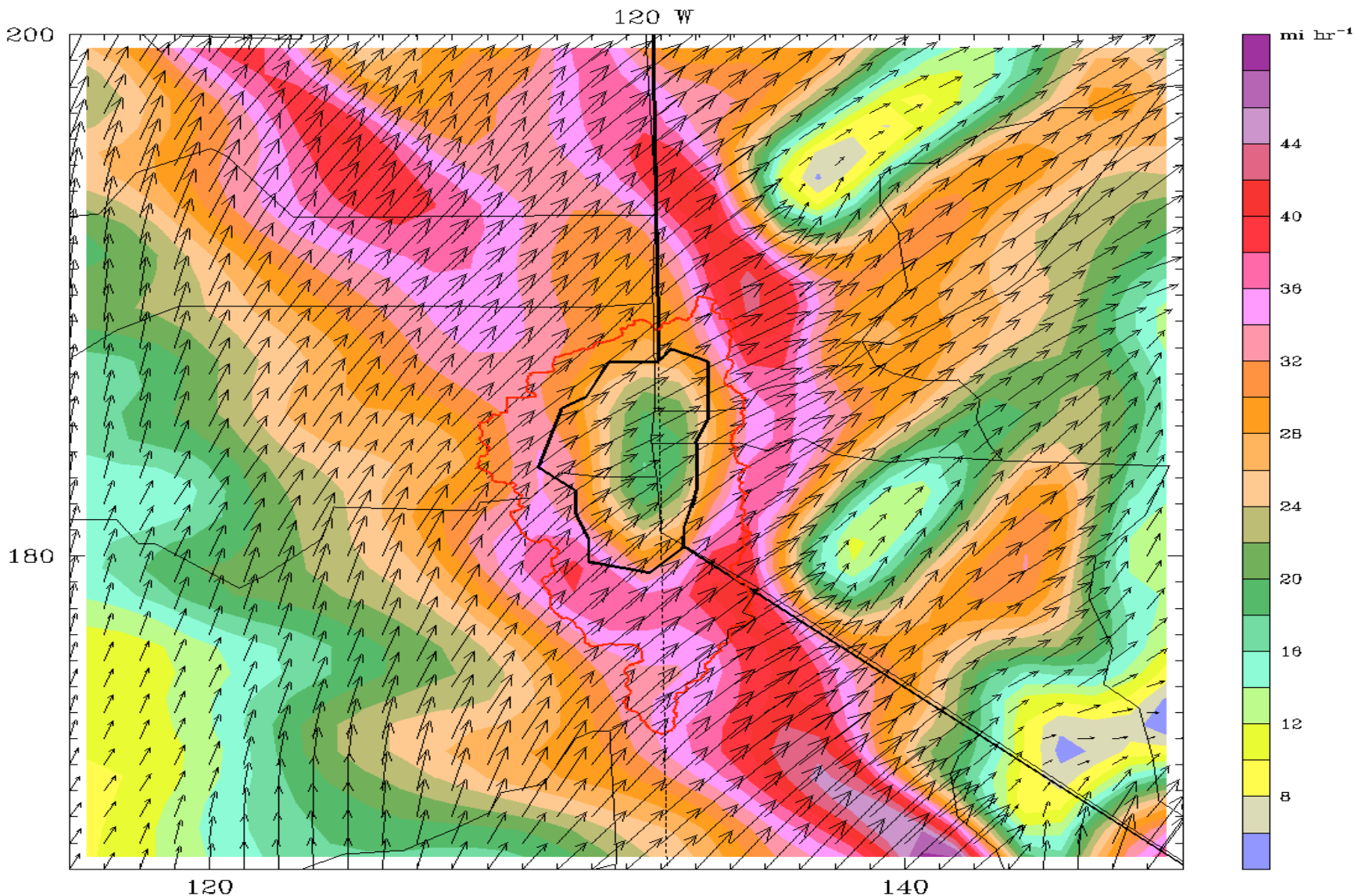
Init: 1200 UTC Thu 28 Feb 08

Fcst: 33.00

Valid: 2100 UTC Fri 29 Feb 08 (1300 PST Fri 29 Feb 08)

Transport Winds

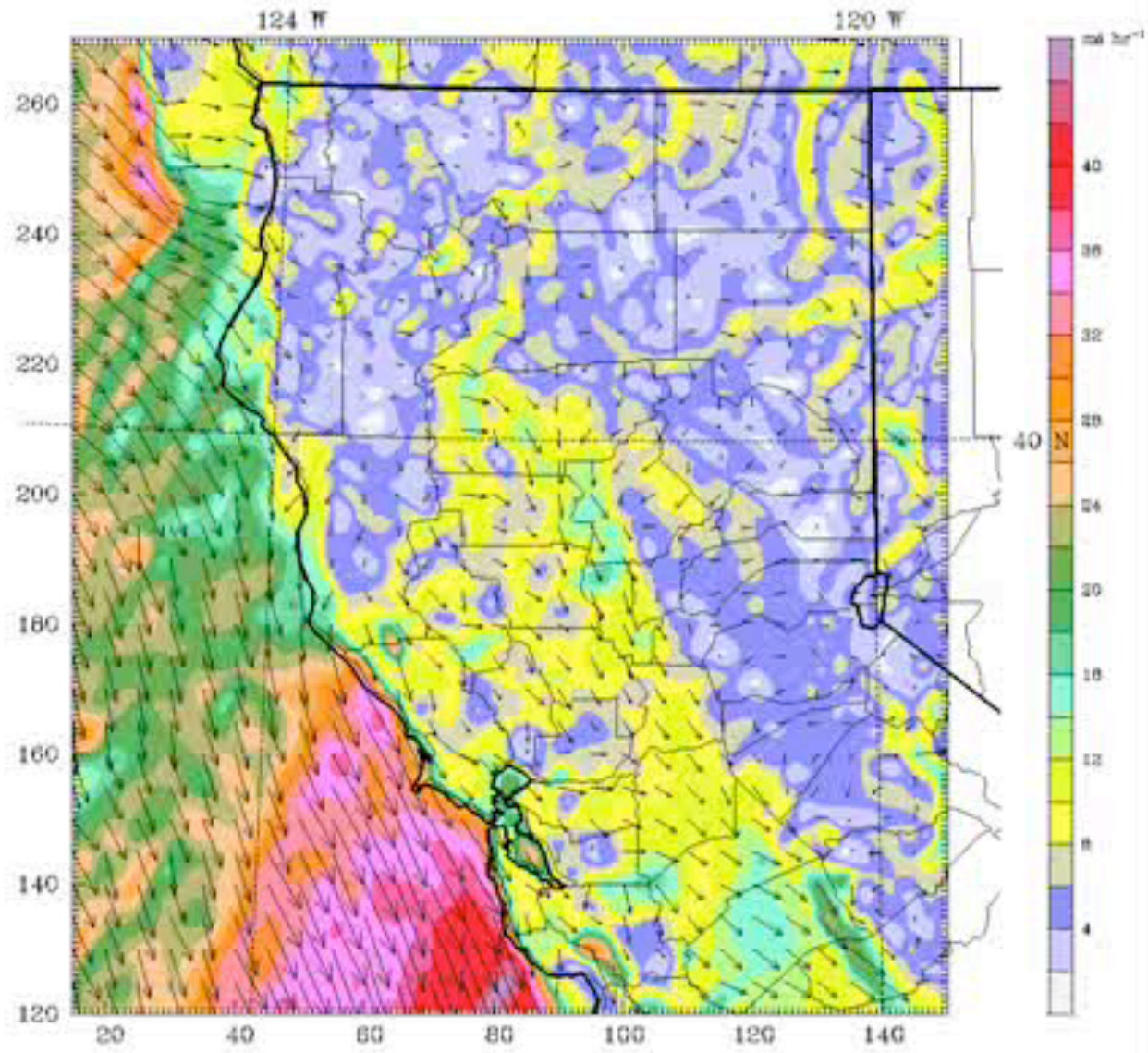
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MAXIMUM VECTOR: 48.3 mi hr⁻¹ →

CANSAC MM5 Realtime: Domain 3 (4 km) Init: 1200 UTC Tue 29 Apr 08
Pest: 24.00 Valid: 1200 UTC Wed 30 Apr 08 (0500 PDT Wed 30 Apr 08)
Transport Winds sm= 1



MAGNUM VECTOR: 44.1 mi hr⁻¹ →
Model info: V3.7.3 No Cumulus Eta PBL Simple ice 4 km, 31 levels, 12 sec

CANSAC MM5 Realtime: Domain 3 (4 km)

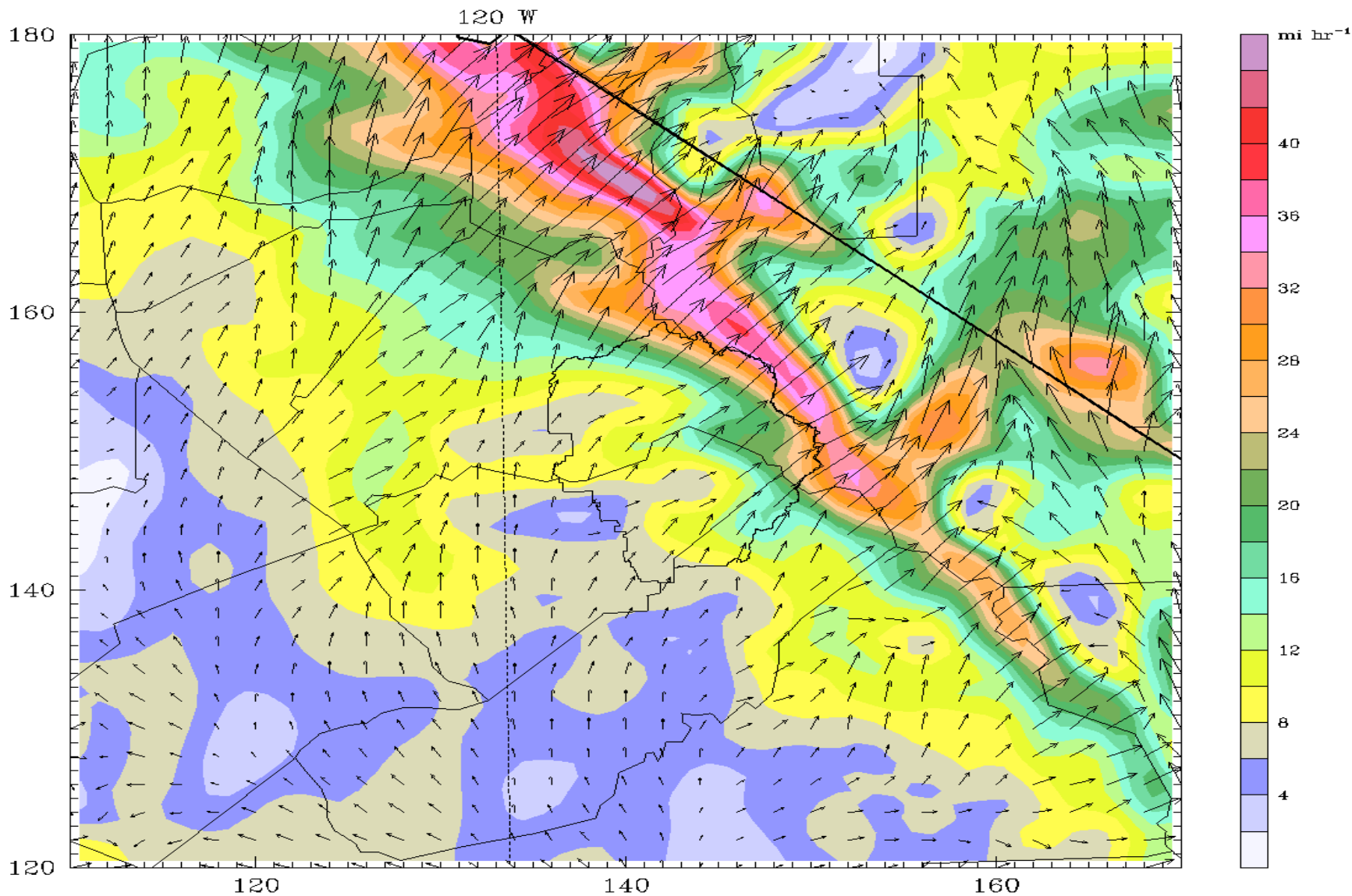
Init: 1200 UTC Thu 28 Feb 08

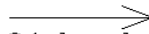
Fest: 33.00

Valid: 2100 UTC Fri 29 Feb 08 (1300 PST Fri 29 Feb 08)

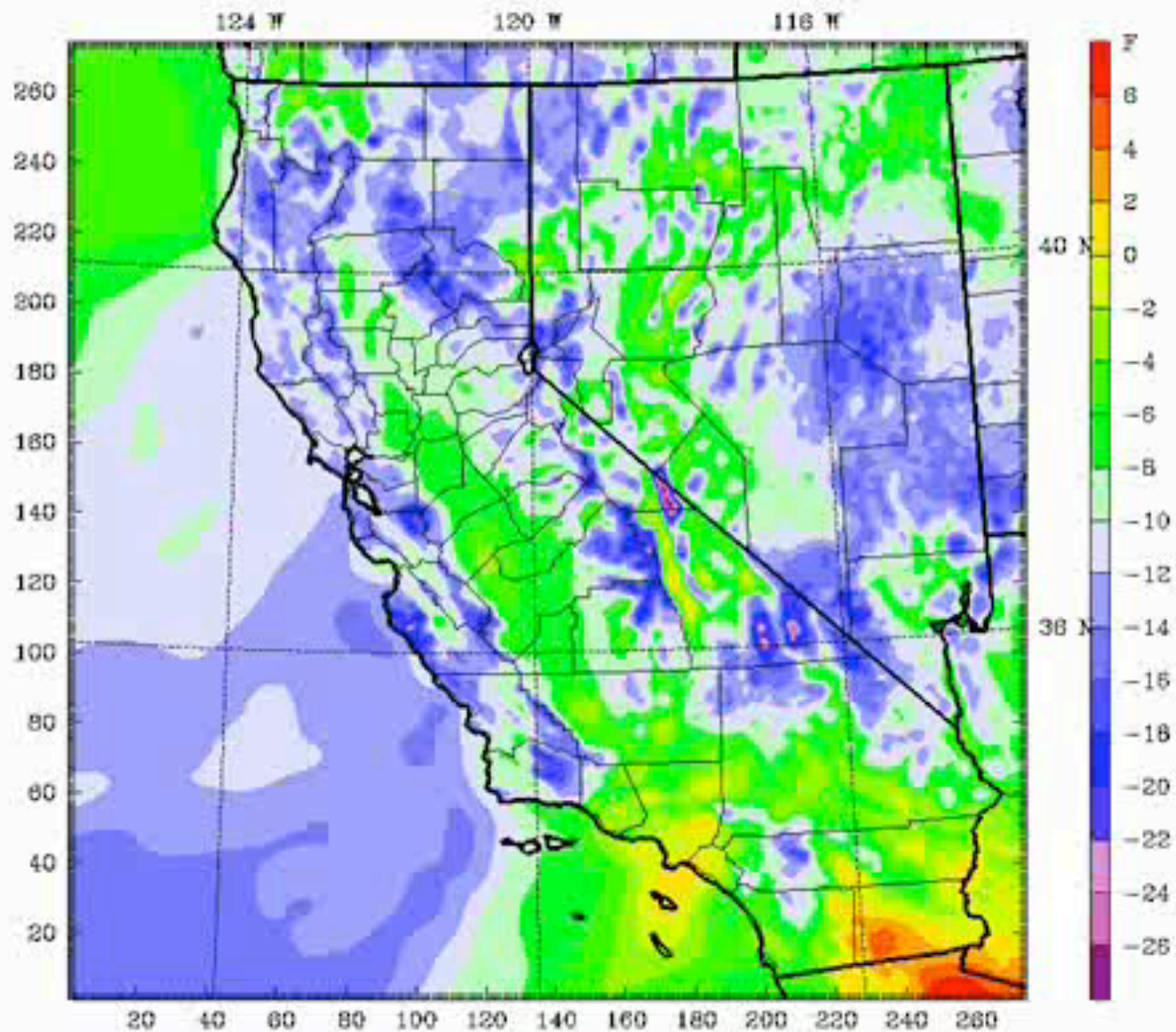
Transport Winds

sm= 1



Model info: V3.7.3 No Cumulus Eta PBL MAXIMUM VECTOR: 45.1 mi hr⁻¹  Simple ice 4 km, 31 levels, 12 sec

CANSAC MM5 Realtime: Domain 3 (4 km) Init: 1200 UTC Sun 24 Feb 08
Fest: 0.00 Valid: 1200 UTC Sun 24 Feb 08 (0400 PST Sun 24 Feb 08)
Temperature Diff (3Kft-Sur. Lev.) sm= 1



Model info: V3.7.3 No Cumulus Eta PBL Simple ice 4 km, 31 levels, 12 sec

Test

Mountain Counties Air Basin

1. 12Z 500
mb height... = ___ dm ___ < 577 dm

2. 00Z 500 mb
height... = ___ dm ___ < 577 dm

Test

North Central Coast Air Basin Northwest Section

Maximum Mixing Height \geq 1500 ft
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Wind Speed (mixing layer) \geq 5 mph
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BlueSky

2008022812 MM5 run as of Thu Feb 28 14:35:12 PST 2008

[MM5-status:](#) Thu Feb 28 07:03:32 PST 2008 mm5 run started

CANBURN

CANSAC Bluesky Prescribed Fire Input Form (Under Development)

Please enter the incident you would include as part of Bluesky's smoke impact forecasts:

* Please select whether this burn is for planned or actual.

1. Burn data absolutely necessary for BlueSky

Please select whether this burn is: Planned Accomplished

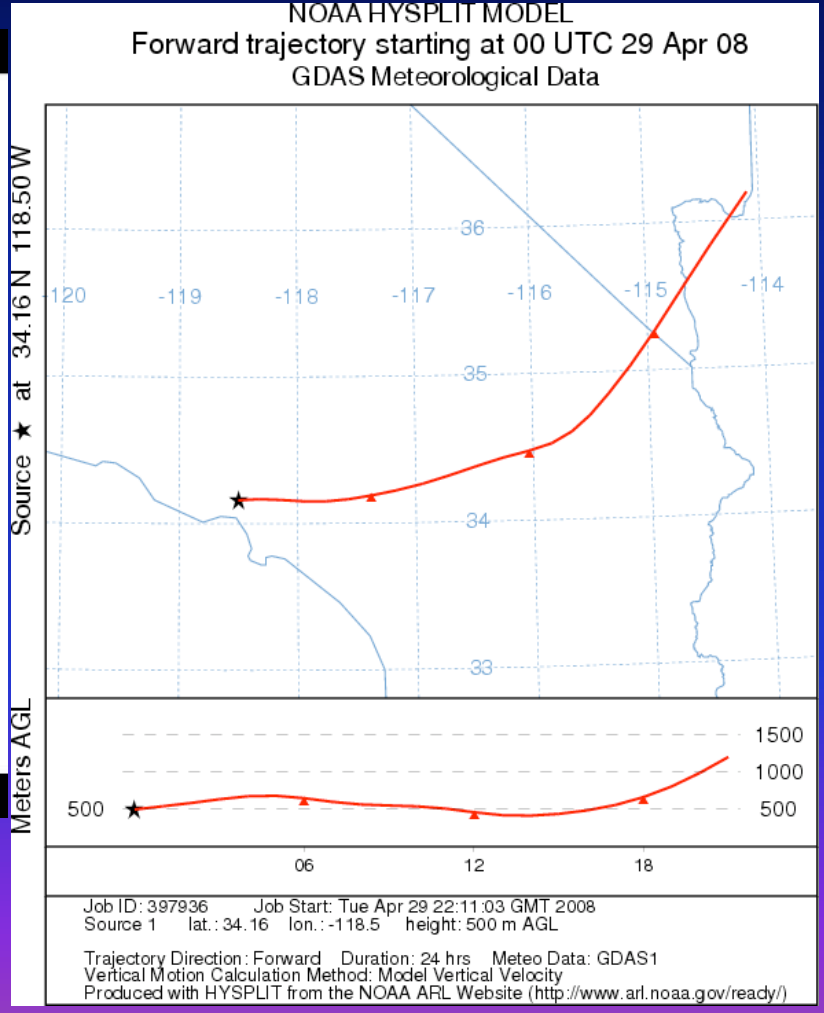
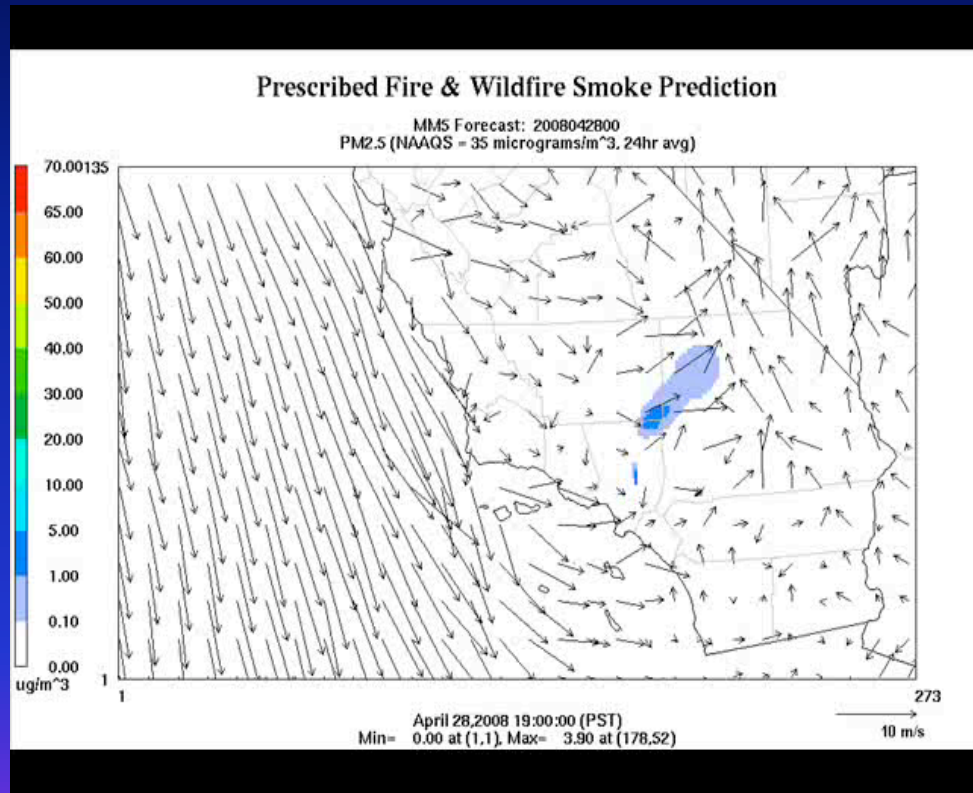
Ignition Date and Time: Month Day Year Hour Minute
 1 1 2006 00 00

Incident ID:

Latitude: (decimal degrees north) [Range:
32.15 - 42.30]

Longitude: (decimal degrees west) [Range:
126.56 - 112.89]

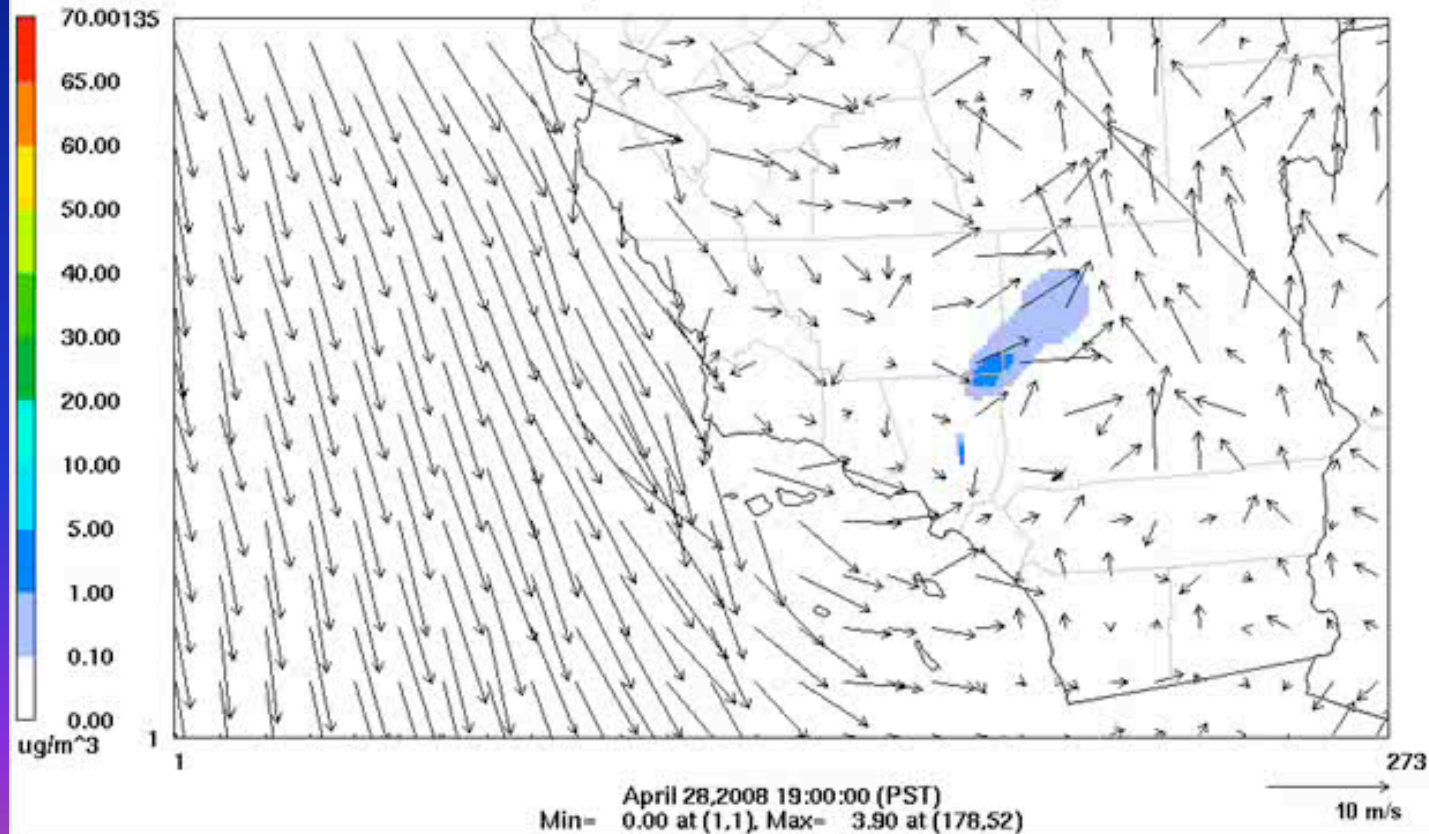
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Challenges Ahead

Prescribed Fire & Wildfire Smoke Prediction

MMS Forecast: 2008042800
PM2.5 (NAAQS = 35 micrograms/m³, 24hr avg)



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ARB Meteorology Web Page

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