Poster Showcase #IAEM24

## **CAN WE MAKE <u>MORE</u> CERTAIN DECISIONS FROM LESS CERTAINTY? CERTAINLY!**

"What are the weather conditions expected for Why?? Thursday?" Here's everything. Time: 1AM 12PM 1PM 2PM 3PM 4PM 5PM 6PM 7PM 8PM 9PM 10PM Weather: Temperature, °F Thursday RH (%): 24 25 Dewpoint, °F: Wind Speed (mph): 10 12 12 12 10 9 Wind Gust (mph): Wind Direction (°): Wind Direction: Trans. Wind Speed (mph): 9 Trans. Wind Direction (°): 340 100 140 160 170 180 180 180 180 170 170 Trans. Wind Direction: **\* † † † † †** Prob. of Precip.: 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 If your burn threshold for wind gusts is 20 mph, do you burn?

This type of forecast is called a "deterministic" forecast. How likely is it that 17 mph actually happens?

## **Recommendation to EMs**

Don't just ask us what the weather will be, tell us what decisions you have to make.

## We can help!

**Probabilistic Impact Based Decision Support Services** 

The practice of providing decision-makers and communities with a comprehensive range of possible outcomes to support crucial decisions regarding high impact weather, water, and climate-related events.





"What are the best days this week for prescribed burn operations?"

WEEKLY FORECAST: Potosi (35.9878, -115.5182)								
Day	Today (1/16)	Tuesday (1/17)	Wednesda (1/18)	y Thursday (1/19)	Friday (1/20)	Saturday (1/21)	Sunday (1/22)	
Potosi	90-100%	80-90%	0-10%	30-40%	70-80%	0-10%	20-30%	
Risk Level	0-19% fo	<b>ne/Minimal</b> r Wind >= 20 mp Minimum RH > 30		<b>Moderate</b> 50% for Wind >= 20 OR Minimum RH ~ 2		High +50% for Wind >= 20 mph AND/OR Minimum RH < 20%		

If your burn threshold for wind gusts is 20 mph, is Thursday the best day to burn?



The NWS can tailor forecast information specific to your decision thresholds, we just need to know what they are!

I can help with that!