

Quiz: How Many Weather Stations provide data for calculating fire danger in AK?



Photo by R. Jandt, Portable RAWWS, Blind Luck Fire 2008

Answer: 110 permanent and 6 portable RAWWS, plus about 32 NWS Stations.



Tricks of the Trade: In ROMAN all the times are in Zulu time. For example, 22:00 hours is 14:00 AKDT! And remember the WIMS data ignores Daylight Savings Time, so the 13:00 observation there is really 14:00 AKDT!



- * CFFDRS is used for Fire Danger and Fire Behavior.
- * CFFDRS and NFDRS are used in the 7-day Fire Potential Product.
- * 7-day product will not be accurate if wx data is missing/wrong.

Looking for missing data and data errors and making corrections in WIMS:

The webinar organizers are hoping for a concerted effort by station managers before the fire season to review and correct their weather observation data from the last three years so that forecast and model products will be more accurate. The [KCFast](#) database is one way to quickly summarize data back as far as 1994 including summarizing missing data from stations. [AICC Predictive Services Weather webpage](#) has links to NWS regional weather and ROMAN which can also be used to verify weather observations from your weather station, if you think an observation might be in error.

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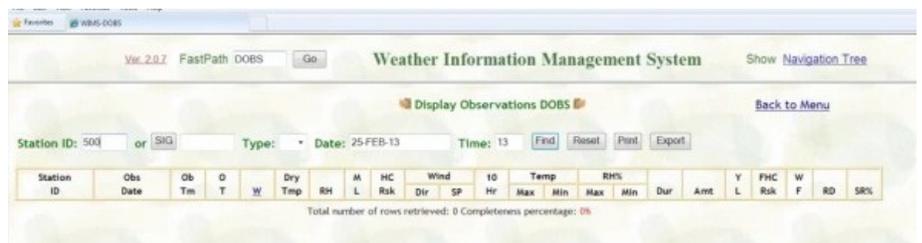
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