## Significant Rainfall Event Friday through Sunday



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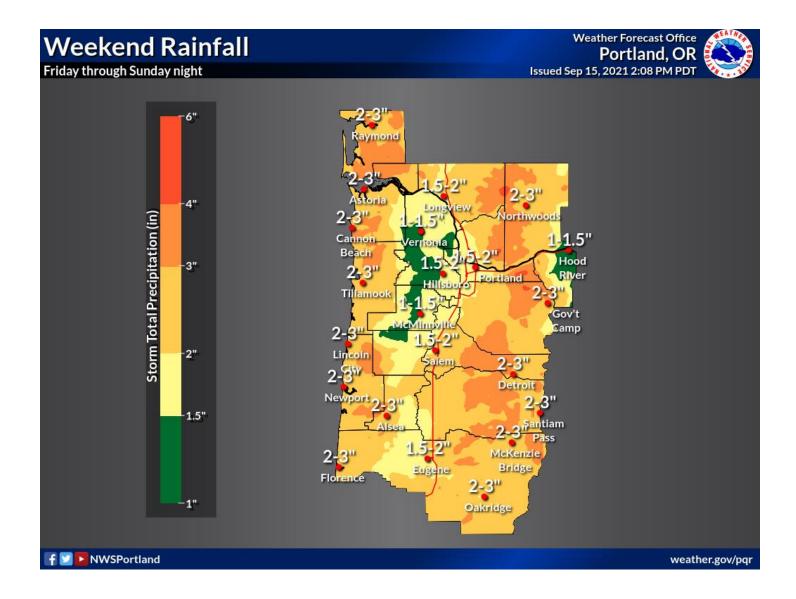
## **KEY POINTS**

- The first significant, widespread rain event of the season is expected late Friday through early Saturday.
- Additional rounds of showers and possibly a thunderstorm or two Saturday into Sunday.
- Unknown at this point whether rainfall will be intense enough to produce debris flows in burn areas.
- No mainstem river flooding is expected.
- Increasingly gusty south winds Friday afternoon and evening.

## **CONFIDENCE AND DETAILS**

Southwest Washington and Northwest Oregon	
HIGH Confidence	<ul> <li>The first autumn-like cold front of the season will drop southeastward across the area late Friday into early Saturday, bringing with it widespread beneficial rains.</li> <li>Additional rounds of showers late Saturday into Sunday</li> <li>Snow levels lowering to near 6000 feet late Saturday into Sunday</li> </ul>
MODERATE Confidence	<ul> <li>1-2" in the Willamette Valley and 2-4" in the Willapa Hills, Coast Range and Cascades</li> <li>River flooding is not expected</li> <li>The most prolonged period of moderate to heavy rain will likely fall Friday night</li> <li>Showers and isolated thunderstorms late Saturday and particularly Sunday afternoon could produce very localized areas of intense rain</li> <li>Gusty south winds developing Friday into Friday night ahead of the cold front. Wind gusts up to 50 mph along the beaches and headlands. Wind gusts up to 35 mph in the Willamette Valley.</li> </ul>
LOW Confidence	• Peak rainfall rates and impacts to recently burned areas. There is potential for a brief period of intense rain just ahead of the cold front Friday night.

## Friday through Sunday (September 17-19) Official Forecast



Please note the highest rain amounts in the Coast Range and Cascades are not sampled by the points provided in the graphic.

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