



# Fire Danger and Very Windy Today

March 31, 2023  
5:38 AM



## Hazards & Impacts

- **EXTREME fire danger** and **VERY strong west-southwest winds.** The strongest winds and highest fire danger will be over south-central and southeast Kansas. A gradual wind shift from southwest to west is expected during the afternoon and evening, making any fire suppression efforts increasingly difficult.



## Timing

- Today 11 AM – 9 PM (High Wind Warning 1 PM - 7 PM)



## Confidence

- **HIGH confidence** for extreme fire danger and high winds.

## Changes from Previous Forecast

- No significant changes from previous forecast





# Critical fire weather conditions today!!

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## WHAT

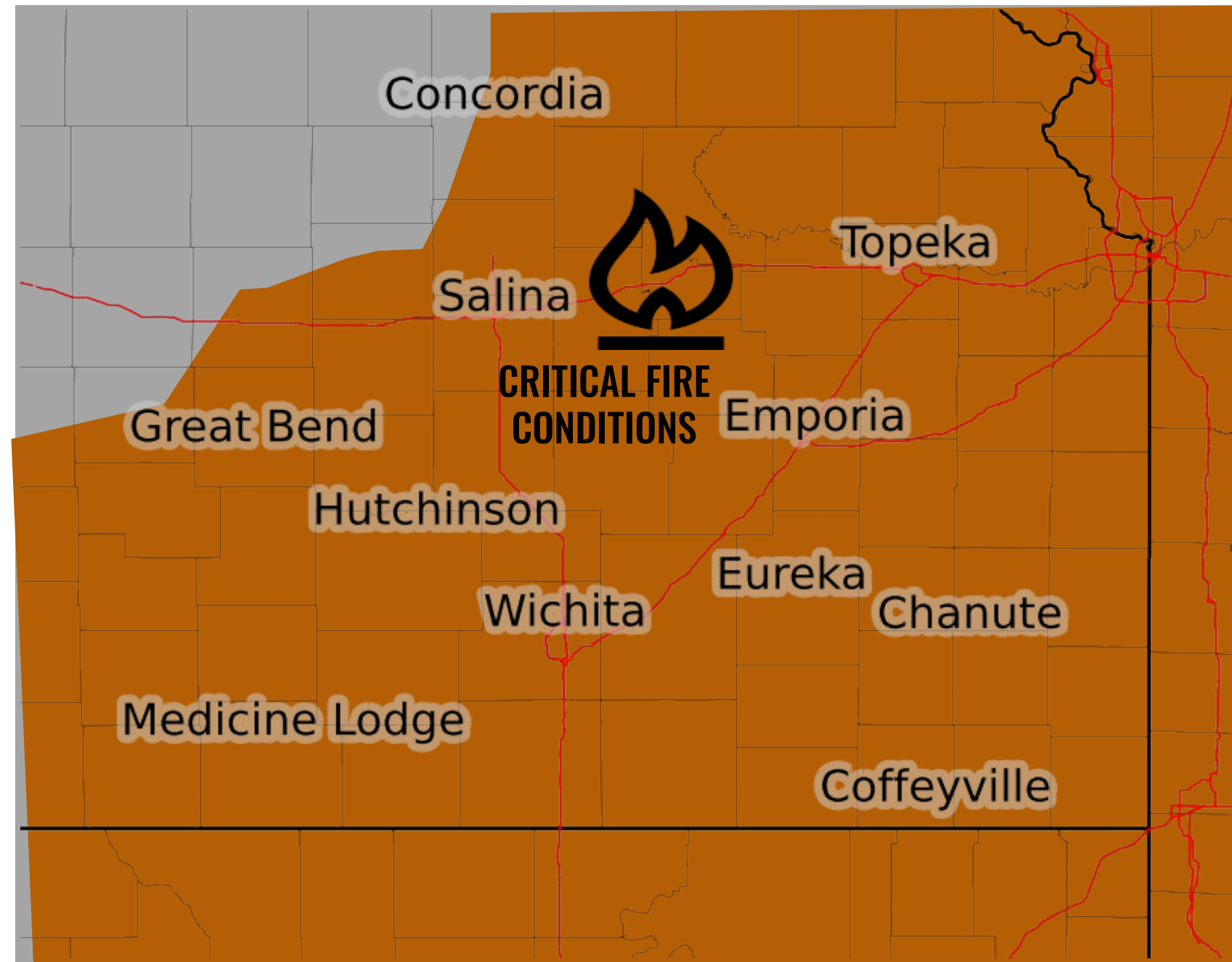
- Critical fire weather conditions.
- Afternoon RH's around 15% & wind gusts 50 to 60 mph

## When

- 11 am to 9 pm today

## Impacts

- Any fire that starts will be difficult to nearly impossible to control
- Be mindful of anything that may cause a spark!





# Strongest Wind Gusts today (mph)

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## WHAT

- Southwest and west winds gusting to 55-60 mph

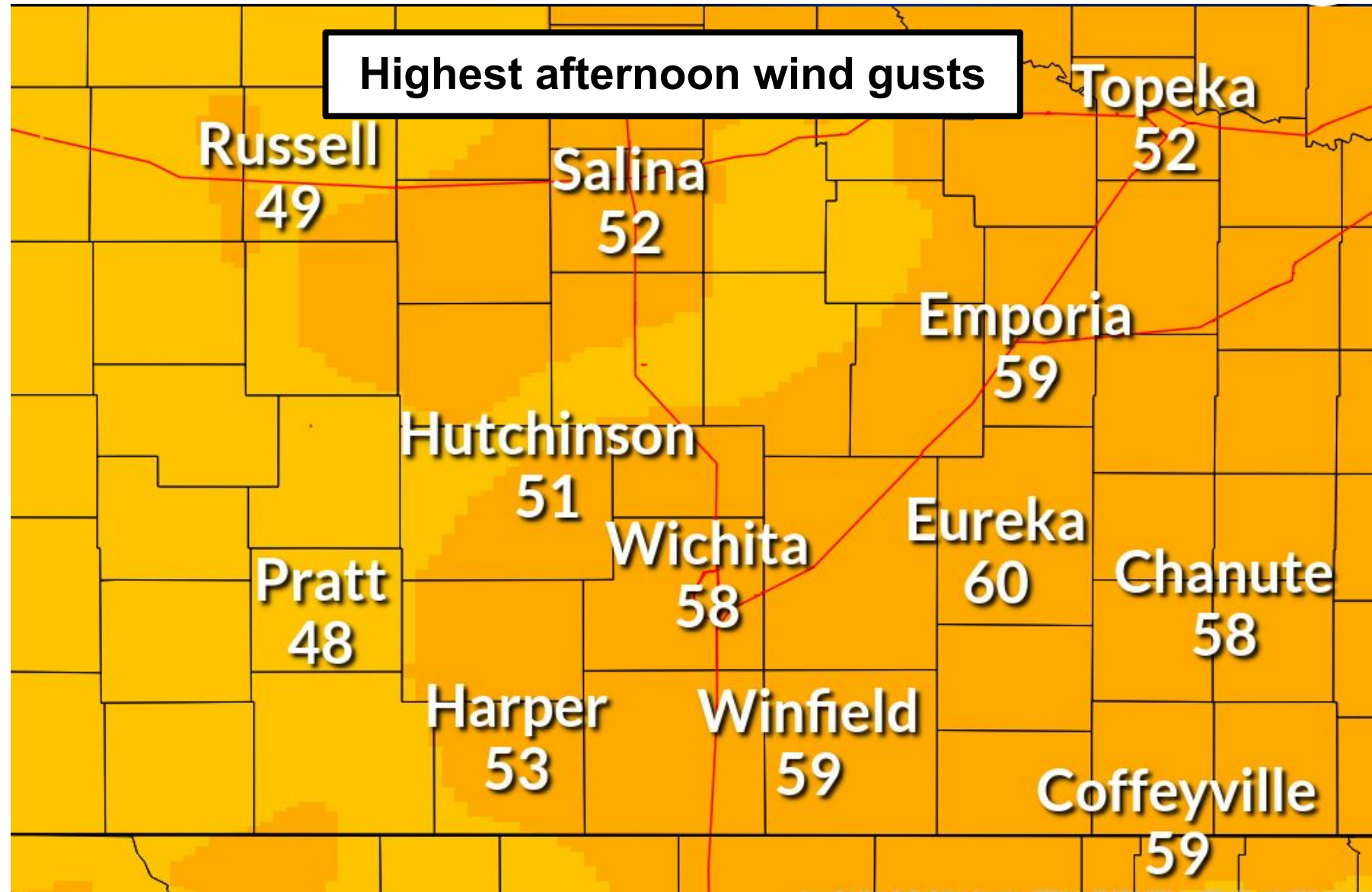
## When

- Noon to 7 pm



## Impacts

- Any loose outdoor items need to be secured
- Tree damage and minor structure damage likely
- Driving will be difficult on north-south roads like I-135



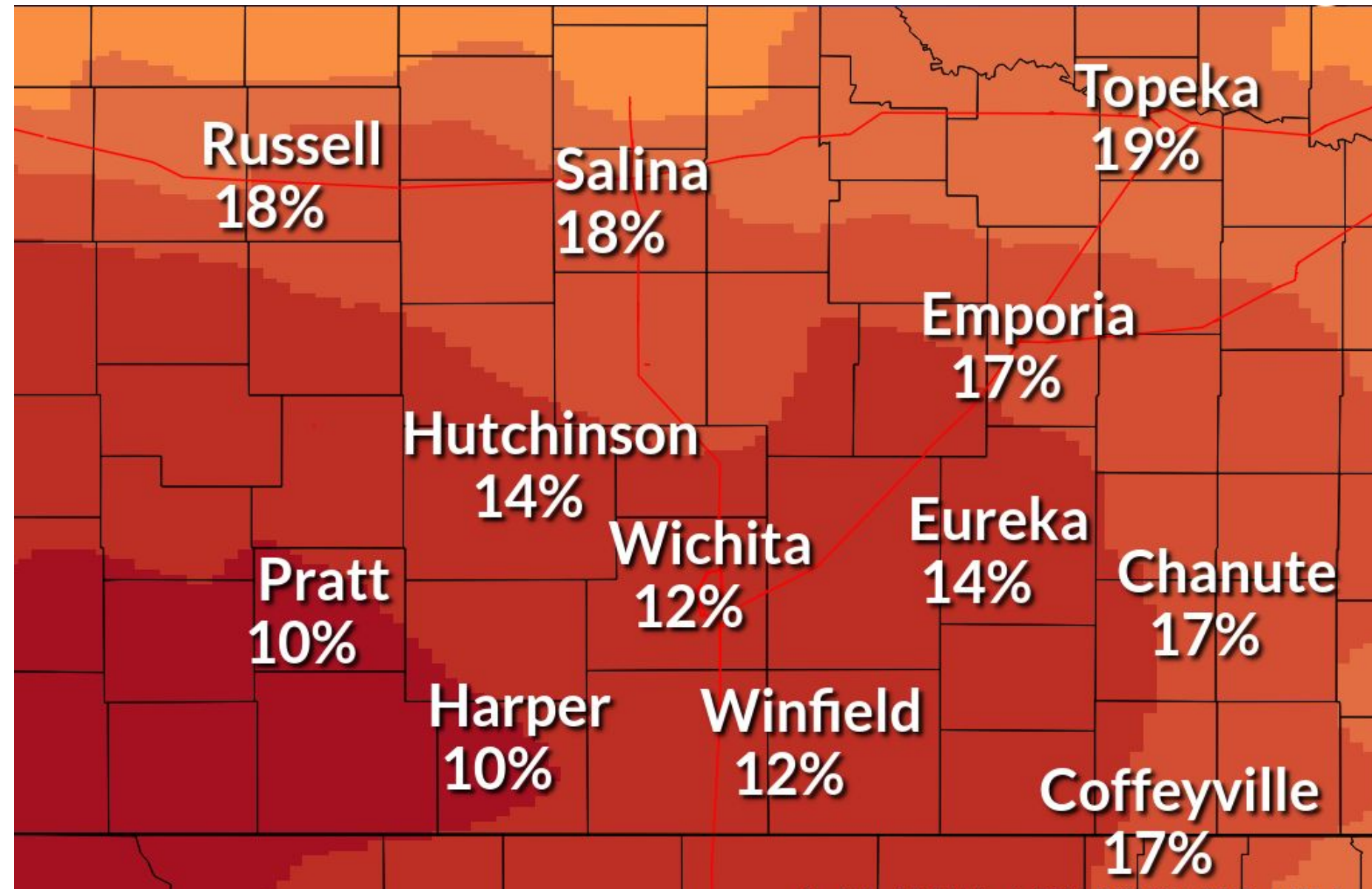




# Lowest Humidity This Afternoon

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→ **Afternoon  
humidity will dip  
as low as 10%  
over southern  
Kansas**



# WILDFIRE SAFETY

**Properly discard cigarettes.**

**Keep vehicles off of dry grass.**

**Avoid activities with open flames or sparks.**

**Avoid power equipment that creates sparks .**

**Obey burn bans.**

**Evacuate if fire/smoke is heading your way.**

**Evacuate if ordered to do so by local officials.**

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