

# Payload 3 Daily Flight Report



Date: 2025-07-23

Flight Campaign ID: P3C1

Airport, FBO ID, City: Portland-Hillsborough Airport (KHIO) - Hillsboro, OR

Aircraft: N821AR

**Domain**: 16 (Pacific Northwest)

Sites Flown: WREF\_P1 (Wind River Experimental Forest Priority 1), WREF\_P2 (Wind River Experimental Forest Priority

2)

Days left in Domain: 11

Report Author: Cameron

**Lidar Operators**: Cameron **Flight Hours**: 03:23

**Spectrometer Operators**: Mitch **Hours until maintenance**: 107.08 **Pilots**: Justin, Troy **GPS Instruments**: AOP\_WREF, S-ORHI

### **Summary**

This morning brought relatively clear skies to the Pacific Northwest; however, wildfire smoke in the region unfortunately settled over our sites, making optimal sky conditions unattainable. The crew adapted by focusing on lower-priority lines, collecting 23 P2 lines at WREF in yellow conditions.

#### **Concerns**

- Outdated Flight plans for WREF caused a little confusion this morning, luckily John M was able to correct and upload new ones while the crew was airborne.
- The lidar unexpectedly shut off twice on a specific line, displaying an 'Old Altitude' error. We resolved this by increasing our altitude and re-flying the line, with no further issues.

#### **Comments**

Elissa arrives in D16 this evening!

# **Daily Coverage**

# **Estimated Cloud Cover Key**

Green: Yellow: Red: 0-10% 11-50% >50%

Solar Angle Less Than 40 degrees: (\*)

## D16|WREF\_P2

Line #	1	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76
Lidar	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Spectrometer	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
Camera	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>								
Cloud Cover																				

Line #	77	78	79
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Lidar	✓	✓	<b>\</b>
Spectrometer	✓	✓	<b>/</b>
Camera	✓	✓	✓
Cloud Cover			

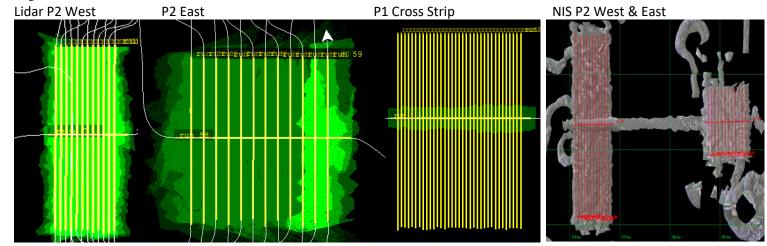
Total number of lines flown: 23

D16|WREF\_P1

Line #	1
Lidar	<b>√</b>
Spectrometer	
Camera	✓
Cloud Cover	

Total number of lines flown: 1

# **Flight Screenshots**



**Pictures:** Flying to WREF this morning the smoke / haze can be seen settling into the valleys.



# **Cumulative Domain Coverage**

## D16 ABBY (Abby Road)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44																

Flown: 0% (0/44) Green: 0% (0/44) Yellow: 0% (0/44) Red: 0% (0/44)

## D16 | MCRA (McRae Creek)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
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Flown: 0% (0/9) Green: 0% (0/9) Yellow: 0% (0/9) Red: 0% (0/9)

# D16 | WREF\_P1 (Wind River Experimental Forest Priority 1)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57			

Flown: 2% (1/57) Green: 0% (0/57) Yellow: 2% (1/57) Red: 0% (0/57)

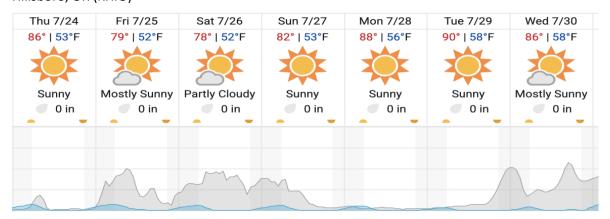
#### D16 | WREF P2 (Wind River Experimental Forest Priority 2)

58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77
78	79																		

Flown: 100% (22/22) Green: 0% (0/22) Yellow: 100% (22/22) Red: 0% (0/22)

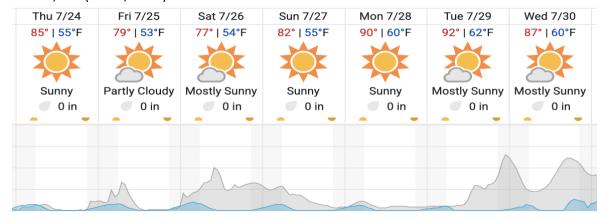
#### **Weather Forecast**

# Hillsboro, OR (KHIO)

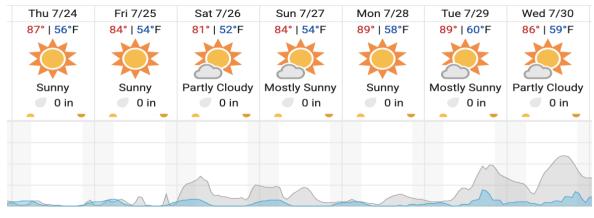


<sup>\*</sup> Flown within 35deg solar angle

#### Carson, WA (WREF, ABBY)



## McKenzie Bridge (MCRA)



Cloud Cover (%) Chance of Precip. (%)

source: wunderground.com

## Flight Collection Plan for July 24, 2025

Flyority 1

Collection Area: Wind River Experimental Forest (WREF) P1

Flight Plan Name: D16\_WREF\_C1\_P1\_v4\_Q780

On-Station Time: 1650 UTC / 0950 L

Flyority 2

Collection Area: Abby Road (ABBY)

Flight Plan Name: D16\_ABBY\_R1\_P1\_v3\_Q780

On-Station Time: 1650 UTC / 0950 L

Flyority 3

Collection Area: Wind River Experimental Forest (WREF) P2

Flight Plan Name: D16\_WREF\_C1\_P2\_v3\_Q780

On-Station Time: 1650 UTC / 0950 L

Flyority 4

Collection Area: McRae Creek (MCRA)

Flight Plan Name: D16\_MCRA\_A2\_P1\_ v1\_Q780

On-Station Time: 1650 UTC / 0950 L

Crew: Mitch (Lidar), Cam (NIS) Elissa (Ground)