



Payload 1 Daily Flight Report



Date: 2026-08-02
Flight Campaign ID: P1C1
Airport, FBO ID, City: Boulder Municipal Airport (KBDU) - Boulder, CO
Aircraft: N537AR

Domain: 10 (Central Plains), 13 Southern Rockies
Sites Flown: None
Days left in Domain: 14

Report Author: Mike
Lidar Operators: Mike
Spectrometer Operators: Matt
Pilots: Tim, Rusty
Flight Hours: 00:00
Hours until maintenance: 38.73
GPS Instruments: None

Summary

High cirrus streamed across much of the NW part of CO today in addition to a smoke haze. Flights were not conducted today in hopes of seeing better conditions within the two weeks remaining in the domain.

Concerns

None

Comments

None

Pictures

Cumulative Domain Coverage

D10|ARIK (Arikaree River)

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							

Flown: 36% (12/33)

Green: 36% (12/33)

Yellow: 0% (0/33)

Red: 0% (0/33)

* Flown within 35deg solar angle

D10|RMNP (Rocky Mountain National Park)

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	

Flown: 77% (30/39)

Green: 0% (0/39)

Yellow: 64% (25/39)

Red: 13% (5/39)
* Flown within 35deg solar angle

D13 | NIWO (Niwot Ridge Mountain Research Station)

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									

Flown: 27% (14/51)
Green: 27% (14/51)
Yellow: 0% (0/51)
Red: 0% (0/51)
* Flown within 35deg solar angle

D13 | WLOU (West St. Louis Creek)

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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Flown: 0% (0/13)
Green: 0% (0/13)
Yellow: 0% (0/13)
Red: 0% (0/13)
* Flown within 35deg solar angle

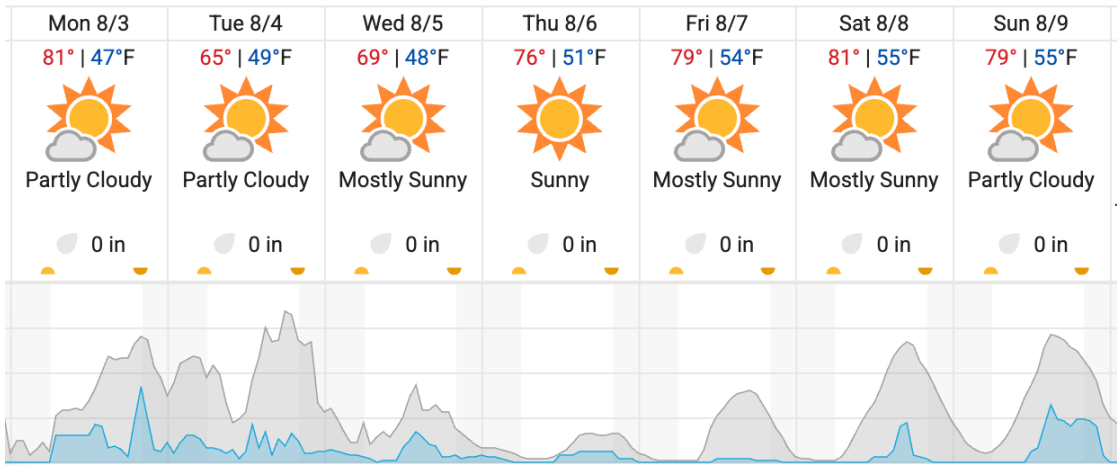
Pictures



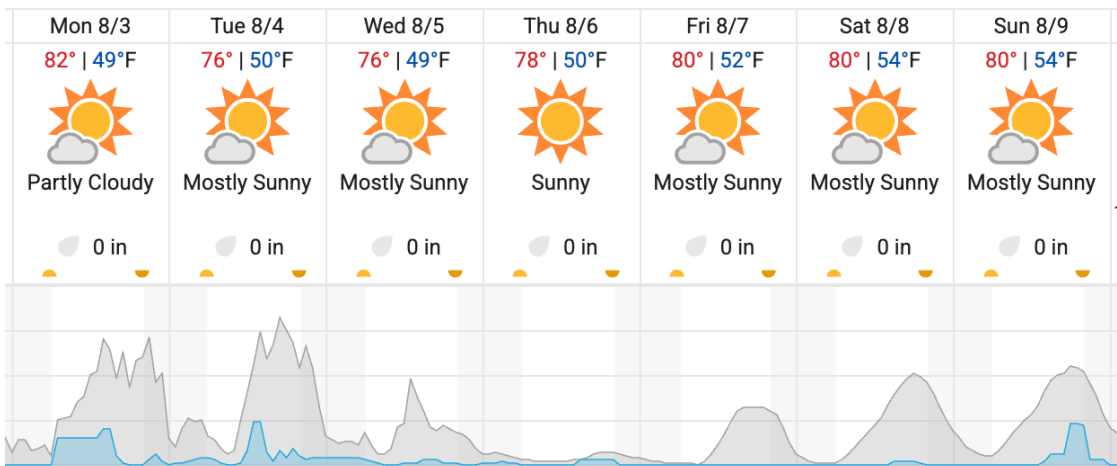
Interesting phenomenon seen during yesterday’s flight, with a distinct smoke line and smoke waves. Smoke is below and hides the horizon while blue skies are above.

Weather Forecast

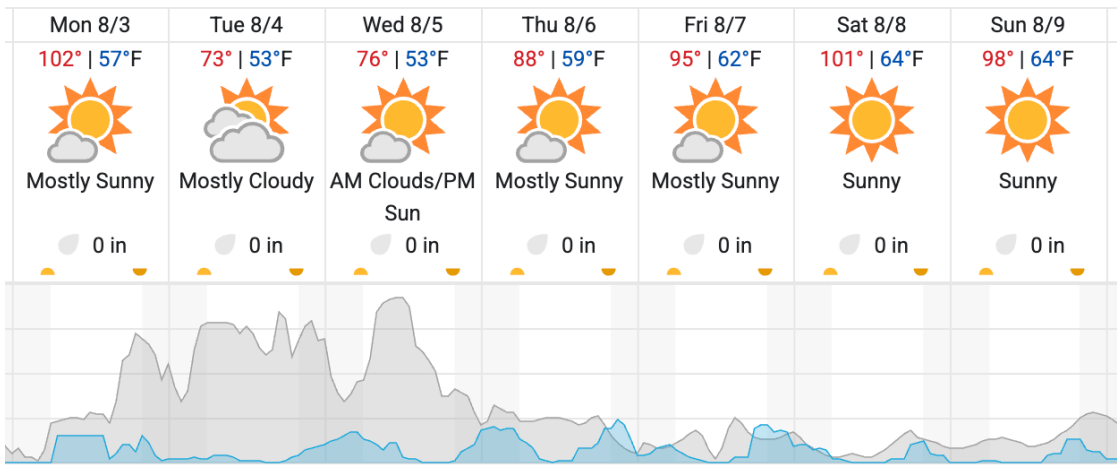
Allenspark, CO (NIWO/RMNP)



Fraser, CO (WLOU)



Joes, CO (ARIK)



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

source: wunderground.com

Flight Collection Plan for August 3rd 2026

Flyority 1

Site: Niwot Ridge Mountain Research Station (NIWO)

Flight Plan Name: D13_NIWO_C1_P1_v7_PRM.xml

Solar Angle Time: 09:40L/15:40UTC

Flyority 2

Site: Rocky Mountain National Park (RMNP)

Flight Plan Name: D10_RMNP_R2_P2_v6_PRM.xml

Solar Angle Time: 09:40L/15:40UTC

Flyority 3

Site: West St. Louis Creek (WLOU)

Flight Plan Name: D13_WLOU_A1_P1_v4_PRM.xml

Solar Angle Time: 09:40L/15:40UTC

Flyority 4

Site: Arikaree River (ARIK) – Priority 1 Flight Box

Flight Plan Name: D10_ARIK_A1_P1_P2_v5_PRM.xml

Solar Angle Time: 09:30L/15:30UTC

Flyority 5

Site: Arikaree River (ARIK) – Priority 2 Flight Box

Flight Plan Name: D10_ARIK_A1_P1_P2_v5_PRM.xml

Solar Angle Time: 09:30L/15:30UTC

Crew: Matt (Lidar), Mike (NIS), Mitch(Ground)