

Supplementary Material

Sub-hourly forecasting of fire potential using machine learning on time series of surface weather variables

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Figure S1. Forecast for different models prior to four fire events considered in the dataset (legend indicates model name, given by the 'look forward' window from training). These forecasts pertain to models evaluated on events not included in the training (out-of-sample). A threshold of 0.7 is marked as a reference (horizontal dashed gray line). Reported fire ignition times are indicated as vertical dashed black lines. It's worth noting that this threshold value is chosen arbitrarily, and performance metrics for the models (explained in subsequent figures) are computed across a range of one hundred thresholds spanning from 0 to 1. The solid lines indicate consensus values, representing the output of the trained models when fed with new data, as here are tested the out-of-sample performance before fire events.

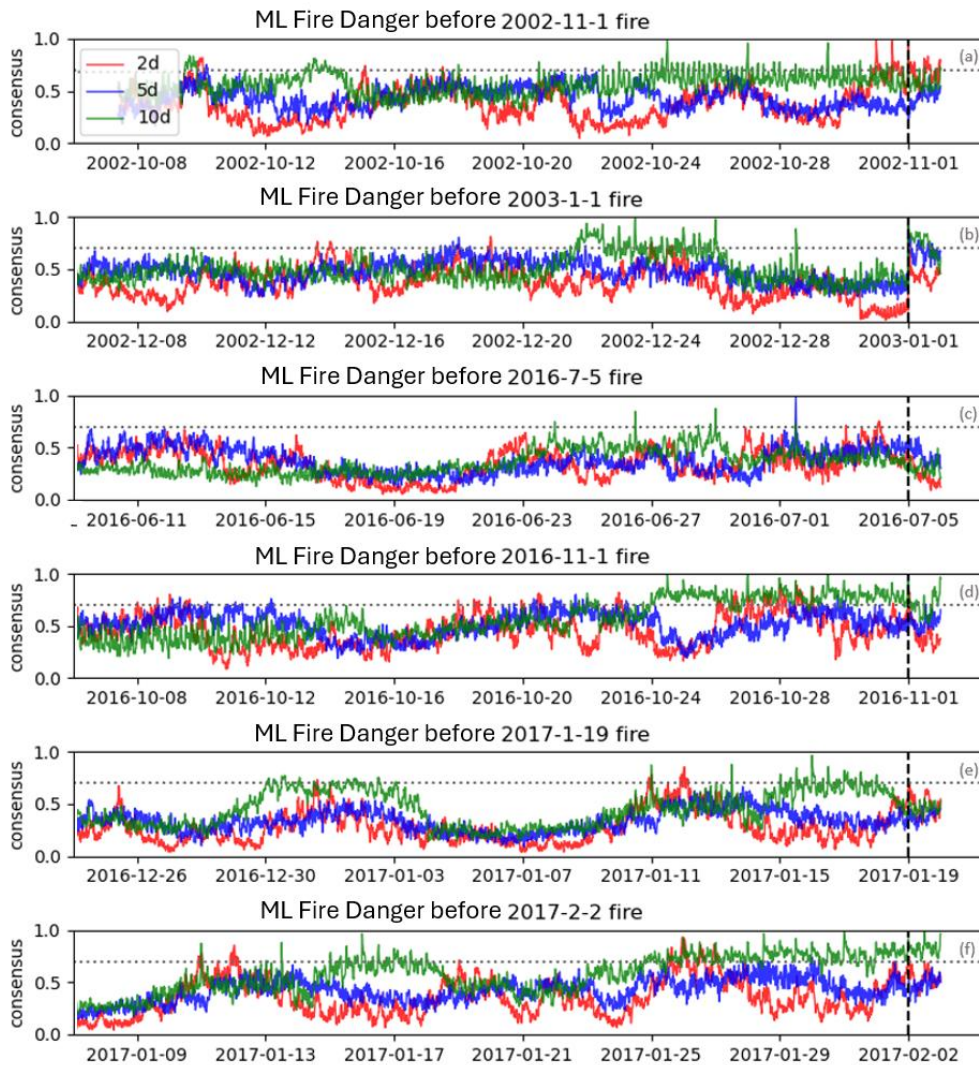


Figure S2. Forecast for different models prior fire events (legend indicates model name, given by the 'look forward' window from training). These forecasts pertain to models evaluated on events not included in the training (out-of-sample). A threshold of 0.7 is marked as a reference (dashed gray line).

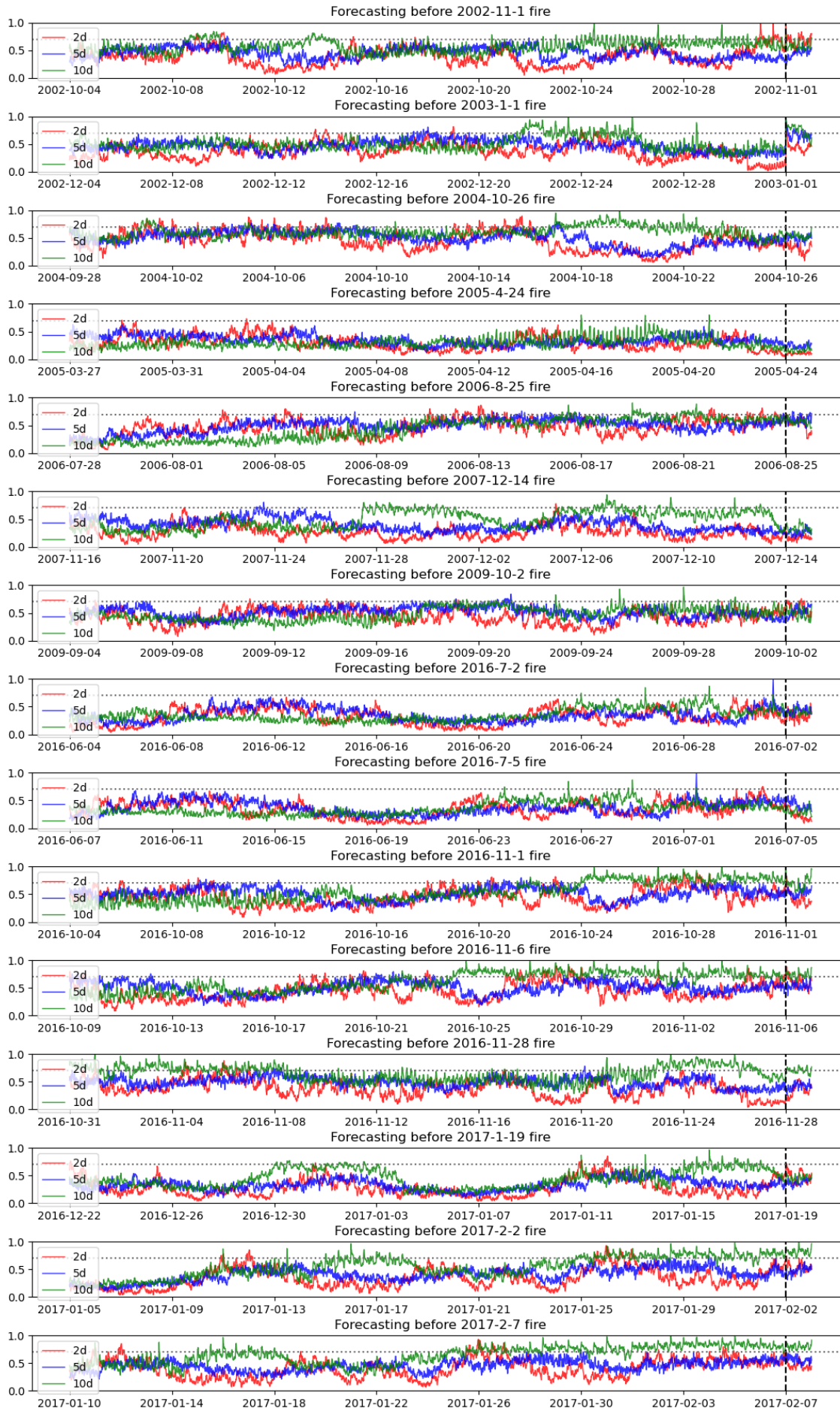


Table S1. Wildfires events catalogue for a radius of 10 km around the Sunshine Coast, Queensland, Australia.

fire_name	ignition_date	fire_type	fuel_type	area_ha	agency	Anticipated
Noosa National Park/NP/W/2017/001	2017-01-19T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily eucalypt leaves and bark	843.1438	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Noosa National Park/2009/W/1	2009-10-02T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily eucalypt leaves and bark	206.0443	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Noosa National Park/2006/W/1	2006-08-25T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily eucalypt leaves and bark	94.38235	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/2002/W/1	2002-11-01T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	73.4033	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2016/007	2016-11-28T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	51.52103	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Noosa National Park/2003/W/1	2003-01-01T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily eucalypt leaves and bark	16.94324	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Noosa National Park/2007/W/1	2007-12-14T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily eucalypt leaves and bark	12.59514	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2017/001	2017-02-02T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	2.408892	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2017/002	2017-02-07T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	1.902044	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Noosa National Park/2004/W/3	2004-10-26T00:00:00.000Z	Bushfire	primarily eucalypt leaves and bark	0.901474	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	

Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2016 /004	2016-11- 01T00:00:00.00 0Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	0.628943	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Maroochy River Regional Park/2005/W/1	2005-04- 24T00:00:00.00 0Z	Bushfire	primarily melaleuca species' paper-like bark and leave	0.212002	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2016 /005	2016-11- 06T00:00:00.00 0Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	0.051727	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2016 /003	2016-07- 02T00:00:00.00 0Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	0.050941	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2016 /001	2016-07- 05T00:00:00.00 0Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	0.044375	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	
Mount Coolum National Park/NP/W/2016 /006	2016-11- 01T00:00:00.00 0Z	Bushfire	primarily heathland vegetation and eucalypt (leaves and bark)	0.012719	Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service	