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Tribute to Mike Fosberg

Michael A. Fosberg came to Forest Service Research in 1962, when he joined the Fire Meteorology Unit at the Pacific Southwest Station in Berkeley, California. Before he retired from the organization in 1996, he also served as a scientist at the Rocky Mountain Station in Ft. Collins, Colorado; project leader for the Fire Meteorology Research Unit at the Riverside Fire Lab, California; and national coordinator for fire meteorology research at the Forest Service Washington, DC Office for Forest Fire and Atmospheric Sciences Research. The products of Mike's research can be found today in fuel moisture models of the National Fire Danger Rating System, and on web pages that feature forecasts of the Fosberg Fire Weather Index.

Mike passed away on 2 February 2001, at the age of 63. He is survived by his wife Barbara, daughter Kristina, son Keith, and six grandchildren. The American Meteorological Society, Fourth Symposium on Fire and Forest Meteorology and this special issue of the *International Journal of Wildland Fire* are dedicated to his memory.

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