GWIS note on fire conditions in the area of Cúcuta, Colombia

According to the data in the Global Wildfire Information System (GWIS), the fire activity in the region of Cúcuta, Colombia, during the last 7 days has been moderated as compared to the situation at the end of March, 2020. Wildfires mapped in the GWIS are presented in Figure 1. Potential source of emissions during last week were the large fires mapped north east of the city, while the fire activity in the east, in Venezuela was limited.



Figure 1. Active fires mapped in GWIS from 15.04.2020 to 21.04.2020

The fire danger conditions for the next 8 days, as estimated by the fire weather index (FWI), are presented in Figure 2. The fire danger conditions remain of moderate to high fire danger East of Cúcuta, in Venezuela, which may ease the ignition and spread of fires in the next week. The fire danger in the area of Cucuta, overall, remains low, which may prevent the spread of wildfires if they are ignited.

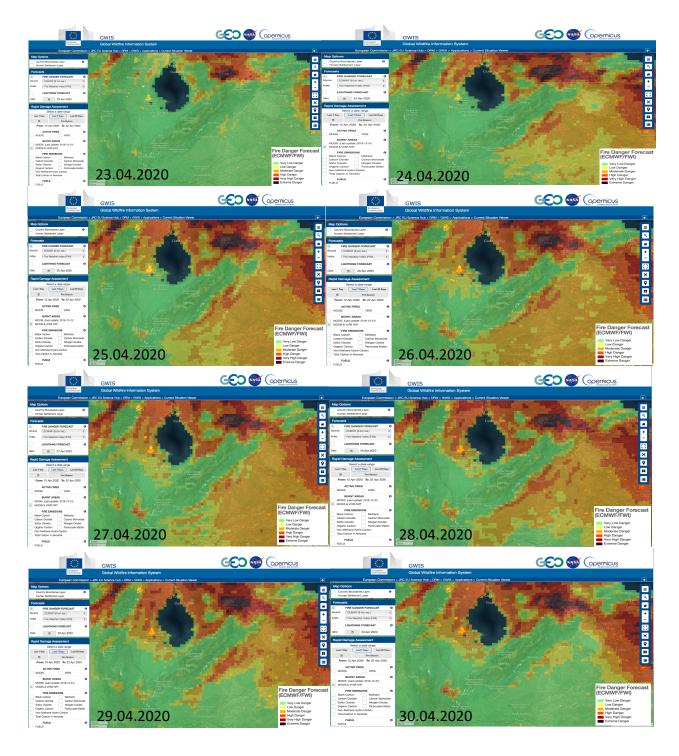


Figure 2. Fire danger conditions estimated by the Fire Weather Index in the area of Cúcuta.

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