

Working with Products in OK-FIRE

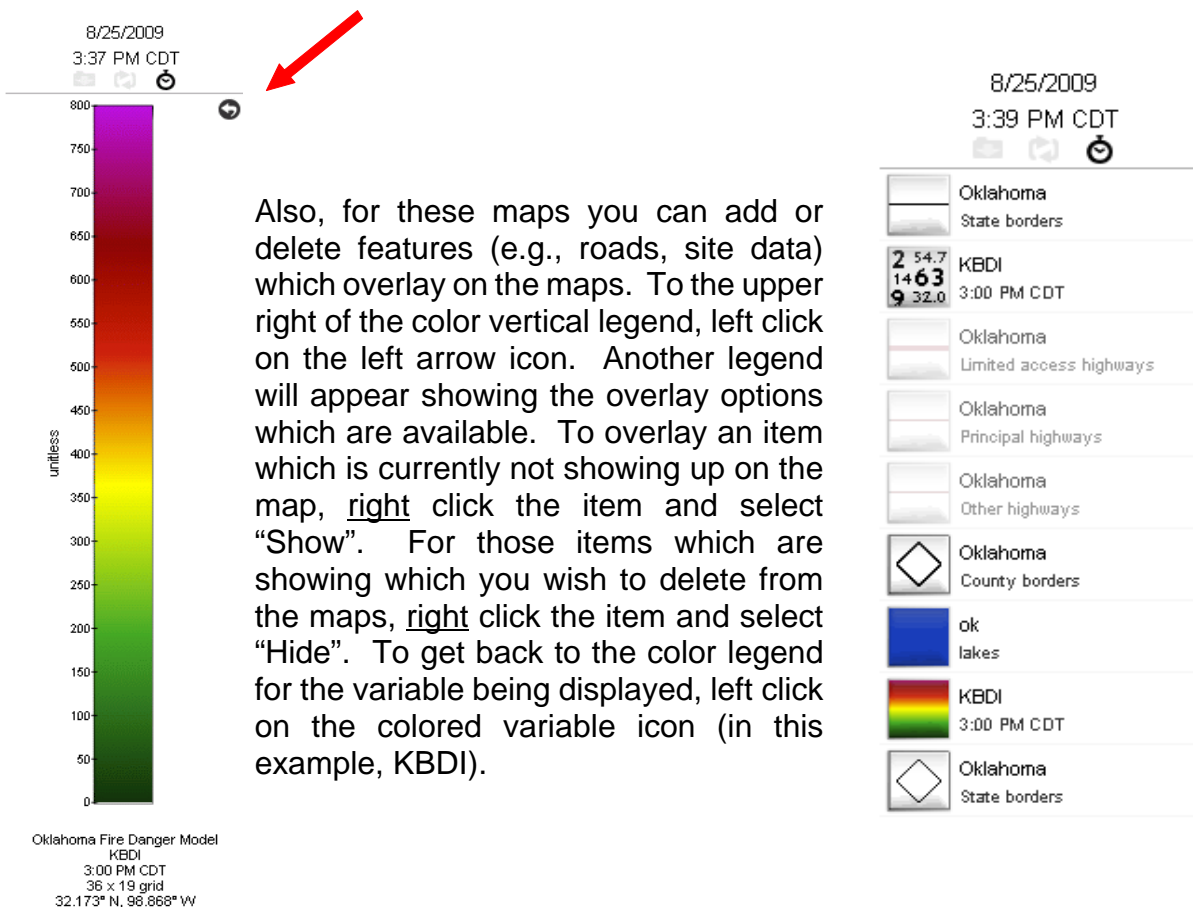
This “help” sheet will discuss ways of working with the three major types of products in OK-FIRE (maps, graphs, and tables) within a Windows/Internet Explorer environment. In some cases you may wish to save or print a particular product for future reference, inclusion in a report, or other purpose. We’ll discuss ways to save or print.

MAPS

Some of the maps in OK-FIRE do not utilize the WeatherScope plug-In software; they are static maps, usually in GIF format. For these types of maps, simply put your mouse cursor over the map, right click, and either save it to a folder of your choice or print it out.

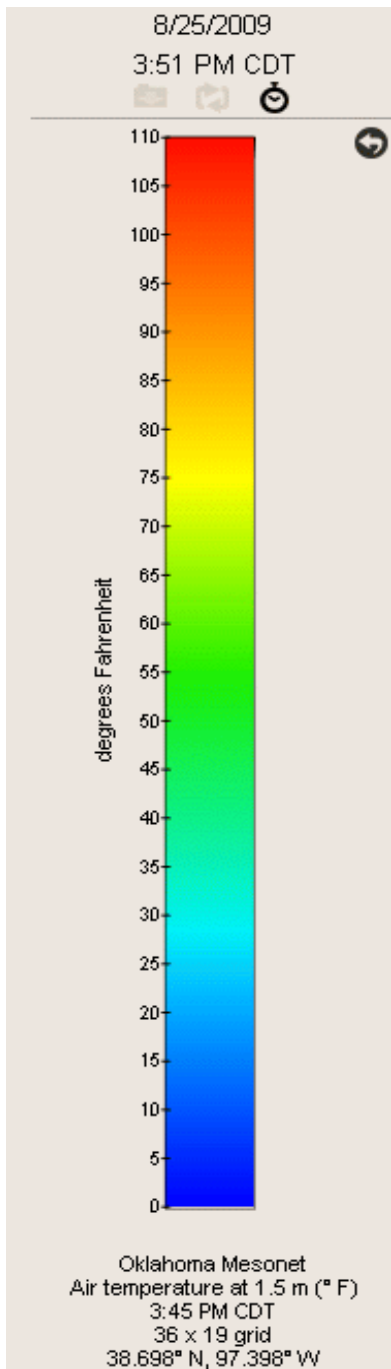
For the “dynamic” maps which utilize the plug-in (WEATHER, FIRE, SMOKE sections), the following key-mouse strokes or scroll wheel actions allow you to do the following:

Zoom in:	Left (mouse) click	<i>or</i>	Move scroll wheel forward
Zoom out:	Right (mouse) click	<i>or</i>	Move scroll wheel backward
Move map around screen:	Hold ALT key + Hold left click as move mouse around	<i>or</i>	Hold down scroll wheel as move mouse around



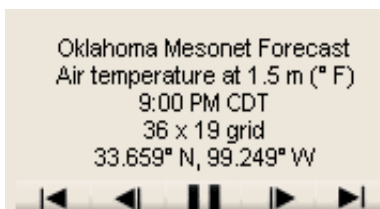
Also, for these maps you can add or delete features (e.g., roads, site data) which overlay on the maps. To the upper right of the color vertical legend, left click on the left arrow icon. Another legend will appear showing the overlay options which are available. To overlay an item which is currently not showing up on the map, right click the item and select “Show”. For those items which are showing which you wish to delete from the maps, right click the item and select “Hide”. To get back to the color legend for the variable being displayed, left click on the colored variable icon (in this example, KBDI).

A few other comments are in order. At the bottom of the color legend (see example below on the left), note that the variable name is displayed (e.g., Air Temperature) and that the **time** of the map is displayed (in this case, 3:45 p.m. CDT). Note, however, that you'll have to get the **date** for the map at the top of the color legend (in this case, 8/25/2009). Thus, in the dynamic plug-in maps go to the **top** of the legend to get the date for current/recent maps; go to the **bottom** to get the time. Forecast maps have both the date and time listed at the **top**.

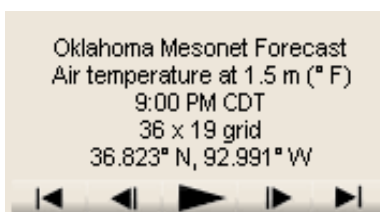


For animations, after you select “Get Map” at the top of the map, it takes (depending on the product and your internet speed) anywhere from seconds to minutes to “load” all the maps requested. When all the maps have loaded, you can do a number of things.

To stop the animation at any frame, left click the pause button, which is the middle button at the bottom of the legend.



Left click the middle arrow button (which toggles with the pause) to play the animation.



To go to the first frame of the sequence (earliest date/time), click the first button. To go to the last frame (last date/time), click the last button.

To manually advance one frame at a time in a forward direction, click the fourth button. To manually advance one frame at a time in a backward direction, click the second button.

To print or save a plug-in map, you'll need to open it first in WeatherScope. To do this, Hold the CTRL key and left click on the map; then left click on "Open in WeatherScope". Use the same key strokes to zoom in, zoom out, or move the map to the position you wish. If you wish to hide the legend at the left, select "Map" at the top and then "Hide Legend".

To print the map, select "File" and "Print". To save the map as a file, select "File" and then "Save As". At this point you can decide where to save it (in which folder), give the map a name, and select the type of file (JPEG, TIFF, etc) you wish to save it as. You can also save it as a "WeatherScript" file for use within WeatherScope.

CHARTS

The charts in OK-FIRE do not utilize the plug-in, so for printing and saving, you'll have to use other methods.

To print a graph, right click on the graph and select "Print".

To save the graph, right click on the graph and choose "Select All." Right click again and select "Copy". At this point you can "Paste" the graph into Word or another program. You can also use a screen-capture program if you have one.

TABLES

Tables in OK-FIRE also do not utilize the plug-in.

To print the entire table, right click on the table and select "Print".

To save the entire table, right click on the table and choose "Select All". Right click again and select "Copy". At this point you can "Paste" the table into Word or another program. You can also use a screen-capture program if you have one.

To save only a portion of the table, use your mouse to highlight those rows in which you are interested (left click, hold, and drag). Then right click and select "Copy". At this point you can "Paste" the selected portion into Word or another program. You can also use your screen-capture program if you have one.