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Forecasting natural disasters ?

7th Conference on Modelling Hydrology, Climate and Land Surface Processes

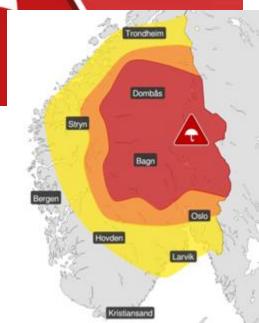
Bård Fjukstad, Director of weather forecasting

Classification: Open,

Extreme weather Hans

First an ORANGE warning issued 4.8.2023 Upgraded to RED 5.8.2023 (precipitation)

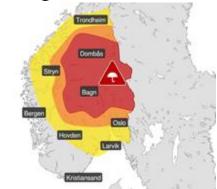
Strong collaboration with NVE on warnings, issue times, levels and areas

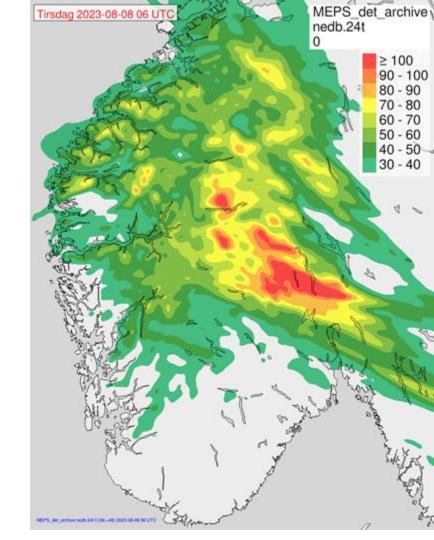


Models <u>did</u> capture this extreme event

MEPS 24-hour precipitation from monday 06 UTC until tuesday 06 UTC. Based on model forecast from sunday 6. august 06 UTC

Warnings issued sunday 6. august





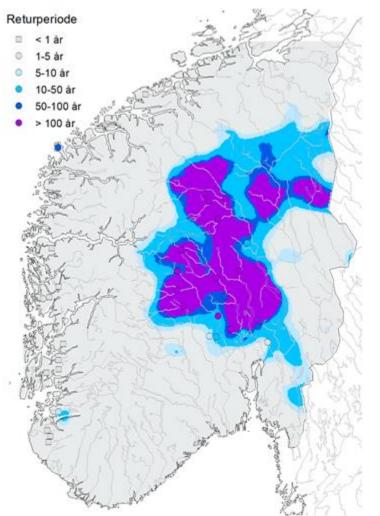
Observed precipitation

Accumulated precipitation over 3 days 8-10 august presented as <u>return periods</u> of observed precipitation

Large areas with > 100 years

This product was created during Hans!

Akkumulert nedbør 3 døgn 08/08 - 10/08-2023 06UTC



Extreme precipitation



Critical infrastructure damaged

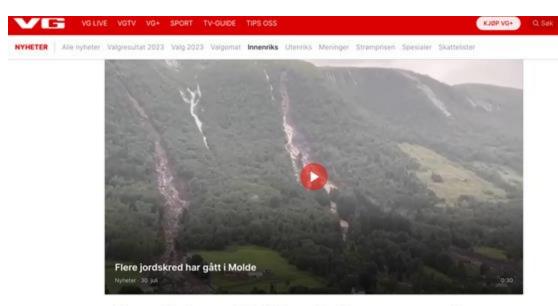


Avalanck





Vistdalen, 30 june 2023



Jordskred i Vistdalen utenfor Molde – minst fire hus rammet

Flere jordskred har gått i Vistdalen utenfor Molde søndag ettermiddag. To personer er lettere skadet og ingen er foreløpig savnet.

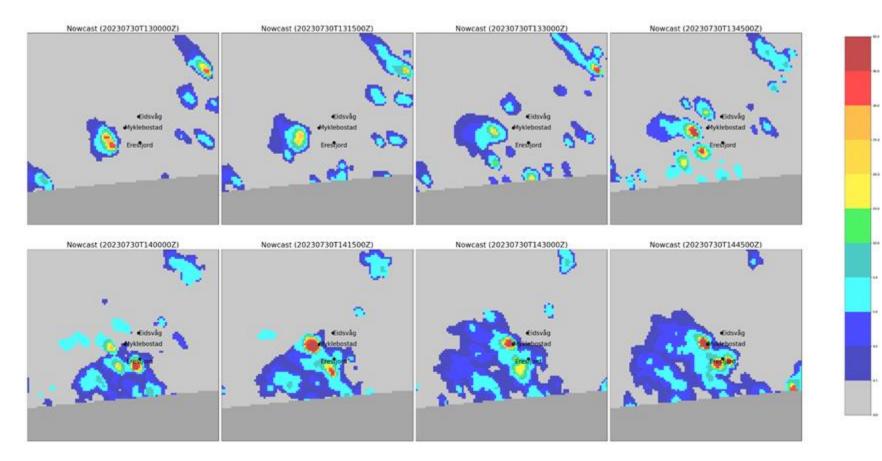
AV ANUA AREL TØRNES BREKKE, MATHIAS ENGSTRØM SANDSTØL, ÖSCAR STRØM KORSNES, PRESEN BRÆKSTAD og AMUND BAKKE FØSS Dendamet 33. hel





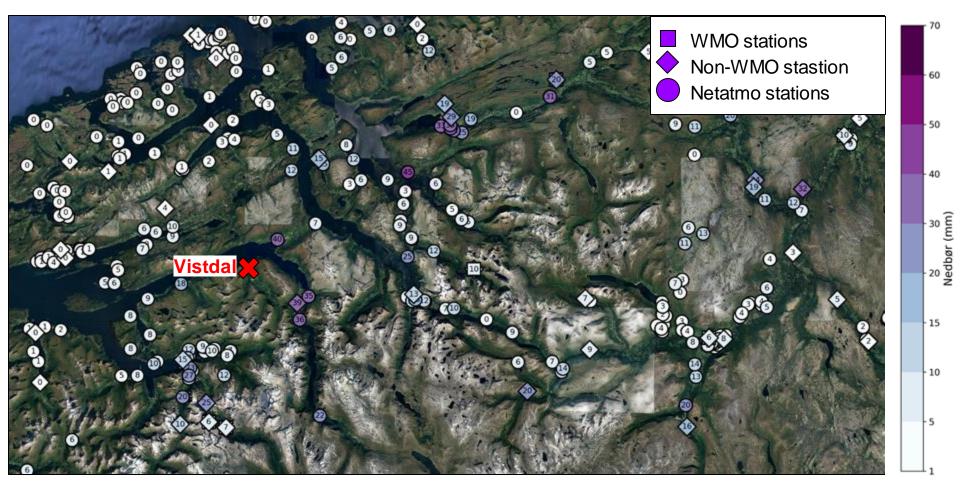
Radar rain rates (mm/h) for 20.07.2023, 13-14 UTC

Radar 5-min precip rates for 13-14 UTC (top row) and 14-15 UTC (bottom row)



Figures from Jørn Kristiansen, MET Norway

Observations (24t 2023/07/30 06Z - 2023/07/31 06Z)



Uncertainty in forecasts

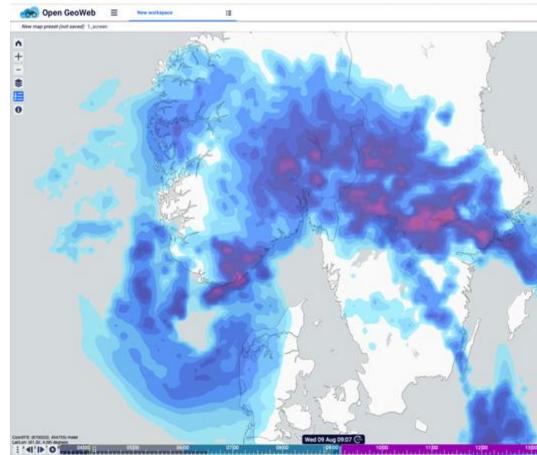
Warnings issued with and implied uncertainty of both intensity and location.

Issued for large areas

Long lead times is very useful

Immediate response from relevant authorities

MET and NVE participates is very many video conferences with relevant levels of government and infrastructure managers.



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