

Bend's Dry July Afternoons Are Putting AC Systems to the Test

Central Oregon Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical says dust, dry air and long afternoon run times can expose mid-summer AC problems.

BEND, OR, UNITED STATES, July 15, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- By mid-July, air conditioners across Bend and Central Oregon are no longer getting an occasional workout. They are carrying the daily load of warm afternoons, dry high-desert air and wide temperature swings that can expose weak airflow, dirty coils, aging parts or systems that were already close to falling behind.

That mid-summer timing matters. Nearby Redmond climate normals show July and August highs in the mid-to upper-80s, while normal lows often fall into the 40s. That means Central Oregon homes can shift from cool mornings to long, hot afternoons quickly. Current regional drought concerns and elevated mid-July heat risk across parts of the West add another reason for homeowners to watch how their cooling systems respond during the heart of the season.

[Central Oregon Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical](#) is encouraging Bend-area homeowners to pay attention to AC performance now rather than waiting for a complete breakdown. A system that cools poorly, runs constantly or leaves certain rooms uncomfortable may not need replacement, but those symptoms should not be ignored through the rest of July and August.

Common warning signs include weak airflow from supply vents, warm or only mildly cool air while the system runs, rooms that stay hot even when the thermostat is set correctly, short cycling or unusually long run times, new buzzing or grinding sounds, water around the indoor



unit, ice on refrigerant lines, tripped breakers, sudden energy-use increases or musty air after the system has been running.

A professional AC service visit can help separate simple maintenance needs from larger repair concerns. During a cooling tune-up or diagnostic visit, a technician may check thermostat operation, evaporator and condenser coils, blower components, condensate drain, electrical connections, refrigerant-related performance, duct airflow, and visible wear on key parts.

In Central Oregon, that inspection can be especially helpful after weeks of dry weather, landscaping dust, outdoor debris and steady daytime operation. Dust buildup, dirty coils, blocked outdoor equipment or weak airflow can all make a system work harder during the warmest part of the day. During wildfire smoke or poor outdoor air quality days, homeowners may also rely more heavily on closed-window cooling, making overall system performance and airflow even more important.

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Mid-summer is when an AC system tells the truth. Uneven cooling, nonstop run times or dusty airflow can help homeowners decide whether they need maintenance, repair or replacement right now.”

*General Manager of Central
Oregon Heating, Cooling,
Plumbing & Electrical*

Older AC systems deserve a more careful repair-versus-replacement conversation. If a system is more than 10 years old, needs repeat repairs, struggles to cool during normal July and August conditions or has a major component issue, homeowners may benefit from comparing repair cost with comfort, reliability and efficiency. The right choice depends on equipment age, repair history, indoor comfort needs, ductwork and the expected cost of keeping the current system running. For some households, [AC installation and replacement](#) may be a better long-term answer than another short-term repair.

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Central Oregon Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical also encourages homeowners to review

available seasonal specials before scheduling service. Cooling-relevant offers include \$200 off AC and furnace installation on qualifying Carrier equipment, \$29 off a qualifying service call or repair, \$149 Precision Maintenance for one residential unit, and heating/cooling tune-ups.

Bend and Central Oregon homeowners who want help evaluating AC performance, airflow, repair needs or cooling options can call Central Oregon Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical at 541-227-6258 to schedule service or ask about [air conditioning services for Bend homeowners](#).

About Central Oregon Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical
Central Oregon Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical serves homeowners throughout Bend, Redmond, Madras and the Central Oregon area with air conditioning, heating, plumbing and electrical services. The company provides cooling repair, AC maintenance, system replacement and related home comfort solutions for the region's seasonal conditions.

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