

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Saturday, September 27, 2008 – 0800 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

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| Initial attack activity: | Light (92 new fires) |
| New large fires: | 0 (*) |
| Large fires contained: | 0 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 6 |
| Area Command Teams committed: | 0 |
| NIMOs committed: | 1 |
| Type 1 IMTs committed: | 2 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 2 |
| Fire Use Teams committed: | 0 |

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Emergency Support Function 4 (ESF4) at the National Response Coordination Center in Washington, D.C., the Regional Response Coordination Center in Denton, TX, and the Joint Field Office in Austin, TX are staffed to support hurricane activity.

Northwest Area (PL 3)

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| New fires: | 3 |
| New large fires: | 0 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 5 |
| Type 1 IMTs committed: | 2 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 2 |

Lonesome Complex, Rogue River NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Twelve miles east of Prospect, OR. Timber. Creeping with occasional single tree torching. Historical structures threatened.

Gnarl Ridge, Mt. Hood NF. IMT 2 (West). Ten miles south of Parkdale, OR. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

Kitson, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Rapp). Seven miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Creeping with isolated tree torching. Area closures in effect.

Rattle, Umpqua NF. IMT 1 (Hoff). Confine/contain management strategy. Six miles northwest of Tokete Falls, OR. Timber and brush. Backing, short uphill runs, creeping and short-range spotting. Area closures in effect.

Wizard, Deschutes NF. Eighteen miles northwest of Sisters, OR. Ponderosa pine. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

Horseshoe, Deschutes NF. Twenty-five miles southeast of Lapine, OR. Timber with brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % CTN | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|------------------|----|------|--------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Lonesome Complex | OR | RRF | 19,263 | -98 | 35 | 10/15 | 936 | -100 | 26 | 18 | 9 | 0 | 14.7M | FS |
| Gnarl Ridge | OR | MHF | 3,280 | 0 | 50 | 10/15 | 774 | -33 | 19 | 29 | 4 | 0 | 11.7M | FS |
| Kitson | OR | WIF | 1,000 | 0 | 25 | 10/1 | 516 | 254 | 16 | 18 | 6 | 0 | 800K | FS |
| Rattle | OR | UPF | 18,078 | 39 | 62 | 10/15 | 654 | -69 | 8 | 27 | 4 | 0 | 17.9M | FS |
| Wizard | OR | DEF | 300 | 100 | 10 | UNK | 257 | 142 | 9 | 10 | 4 | 0 | NR | FS |
| Horseshoe | OR | DEF | 415 | 0 | 75 | 9/28 | 15 | -7 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 50K | FS |

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires: 39
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 0
NIMOs committed: 1

Hurricane Ike Support, Federal Emergency Management Agency. NIMO (Custer) is assisting Texas Forest Service with operations at Houston, TX.

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 15
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 0
NIMOs committed: 0

Klamath Complex, Klamath NF. Transfer of command from NIMO (Gage) back to local unit yesterday. Confine/contain management strategy. Fourteen miles west of Etna, CA. Timber and brush. Active backing and flanking.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % CTN | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|-----------------|----|------|---------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Klamath Complex | CA | KNF | 192,038 | 0 | 90 | 9/30 | 276 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 126.1M | FS |

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 16
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Hidden, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP. Twelve miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. Mixed conifer and timber litter. Moderate fire activity with slow rates of spread, backing and short upslope runs.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % CTN | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Hidden | CA | KNP | 3,492 | 538 | 94 | 9/30 | 170 | -383 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 8.2M | NPS |

Predictive Services Discussion: Mainly warm and dry conditions will be in place once again over much of the country. Some scattered thunderstorm activity is expected in the four corners states during the afternoon. Pockets of heavy rain and potential coastal flooding is expected along the eastern seaboard, as tropical storm Kyle strengthens into a hurricane. Afternoon relative humidity will be low across western Florida and southeast Alabama today.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

Hazard Trees

Snags (dead, standing trees without leaves or needles in the crowns) and other hazard trees present a significant hazard to wildland firefighters. Snags typically have much lower fuel moistures than live, green trees; and they burn more readily. In the process, they often throw spot fires far in advance of the main fire and often burn through more quickly than green trees, falling with little or no warning. Live, green trees have been weakened by insects, disease, weather, past fires, and age present equal hazard and can fall without warning.

- The risk of injuries from hazard trees increases during the night operational period when visibility is greatly reduced.
- While the cooler, nighttime period is generally a more effective time to gain control of wildfires, the increased risk from unseen falling snags and weakened live trees may limit the widespread use of crews at night in areas of dead and dying timber.
- Environmental conditions that increase risk from hazard trees: Strong winds or erratic winds from storm cells. Night operations. Air operations - cargo drops, water or retardant drops, helicopter take off/landing, low-level flights. Steep slopes. Diseased or bug-killed areas.
- Things to consider when assessing the potential dangers of hazard trees: Trees have been burning for an extended period. High-risk tree species (those that are known for rot and shallow root systems) are in the area. Numerous downed trees. Dead or broken tips and limbs overhead. Accumulation of downed limbs. Tree decay, cavities, splits, cracks. Absence of needles, bark or limbs. Leaning or hung-up trees. Roots damaged by equipment or erosion.
- Mitigation measures to take: Identify and flag all high-risk areas until the hazard has been removed. Keep personnel out of the high-risk areas until the hazard has been removed. Use saw teams and falling bosses. Establish lookouts. Plan a quick and safe escape route. Do not turn your back on a falling tree. Maintain situational awareness.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | | | | | 3 | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | 11 | 4 | 15 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | 0 | 14 | 2 | 16 |
| | ACRES | | | | 537 | 400 | 151 | 1,088 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | 1 | | 1 | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | | 2 | 2 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | 1 | | | 3 | 4 | 8 |
| | ACRES | | 0 | | | 7 | 0 | 7 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | 38 | 1 | 39 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 337 | 15 | 352 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 73 | 17 | 92 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 537 | 747 | 175 | 1,459 |

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | 14 | 19 | 1 | 300 | 3 | 337 |
| | ACRES | | 644 | 1,352 | 0 | 60,651 | 0 | 62,647 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 294 | 254 | 25 | 76 | 767 | 1,408 | 2,824 |
| | ACRES | 36,335 | 99,987 | 8,227 | 649 | 33,850 | 39,812 | 218,860 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 170 | 3 | 8 | 32 | 3,070 | 951 | 4,234 |
| | ACRES | 692 | 1 | 175 | 12,928 | 284,665 | 582,514 | 880,975 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 76 | 129 | 14 | 48 | 3,513 | 522 | 4,302 |
| | ACRES | 385 | 26,883 | 871 | 3,520 | 53,125 | 290,992 | 375,776 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 997 | 80 | 18 | 12 | 771 | 621 | 2,499 |
| | ACRES | 20,525 | 4,743 | 7,882 | 9,331 | 152,825 | 21,027 | 216,333 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 49 | 453 | 5 | 29 | 423 | 434 | 1,393 |
| | ACRES | 9,300 | 64,017 | 513 | 926 | 22,183 | 34,925 | 131,864 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 8 | 258 | 6 | 16 | 78 | 68 | 434 |
| | ACRES | 10 | 21,891 | 51 | 6 | 3,375 | 45,425 | 70,758 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 641 | 228 | 8 | 49 | 704 | 942 | 2,572 |
| | ACRES | 19,425 | 81,218 | 351 | 982 | 263,267 | 96,011 | 461,254 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 628 | 359 | 24 | 26 | 544 | 347 | 1,928 |
| | ACRES | 2,128 | 16,567 | 2,008 | 318 | 184,014 | 9,376 | 214,411 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 342 | | 17 | 18 | 9,150 | 303 | 9,830 |
| | ACRES | 1,961 | | 157 | 65 | 53,242 | 725 | 56,150 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 956 | | 84 | 64 | 35,715 | 562 | 37,381 |
| | ACRES | 59,259 | | 48,375 | 54,917 | 1,844,169 | 37,233 | 2,043,953 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 4,161 | 1,778 | 228 | 371 | 55,035 | 6,161 | 67,734 |
| | ACRES | 150,020 | 315,951 | 69,962 | 83,642 | 2,955,366 | 1,158,040 | 4,732,981 |

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| Ten Year Average Fires | 67,367 |
| Ten Year Average Acres | 6,227,682 |

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Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | 2 | 1 | | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | | 120 | 70 | | 190 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 30 | 30 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 0 | 1 | | | | 2 | 3 |
| | ACRES | 480 | 1,950 | | | | 850 | 3,280 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | 35 | | | 35 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | | 2 | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 105 | 105 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | 0 | | | | 0 | 0 |
| | ACRES | | 79 | | | | 191 | 270 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 111 | 111 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 11 |
| | ACRES | 480 | 2,029 | 0 | 155 | 70 | 1,287 | 4,021 |

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | 10 | | 10 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 3,990 | | 3,990 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 10 | 42 | 21 | 1 | | 139 | 213 |
| | ACRES | 2,435 | 16,996 | 2,639 | 6 | | 19,655 | 41,731 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 25 | 3 | 17 | 12 | 10 | 102 | 169 |
| | ACRES | 415 | 7 | 23,388 | 397 | 2,120 | 2,653 | 28,980 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | 4 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 129 | 151 |
| | ACRES | | 118 | 857 | 1,327 | 73 | 13,114 | 15,489 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 22 | 19 | 60 | 5 | 31 | 194 | 331 |
| | ACRES | 2,088 | 3,678 | 16,638 | 309 | 2,108 | 23,679 | 48,500 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 4 | 27 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 55 | 110 |
| | ACRES | 860 | 10,681 | 376 | 3,421 | 1,653 | 16,572 | 33,563 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 3 | 3 | 3 | | 4 | 13 |
| | ACRES | | 2,655 | 37 | 62 | | 2,437 | 5,191 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 29 | 64 | 11 | 14 | | 161 | 279 |
| | ACRES | 3,214 | 39,533 | 20,031 | 3,148 | | 59,581 | 125,507 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 27 | 31 | 107 | 20 | 46 | 125 | 356 |
| | ACRES | 2,971 | 5,014 | 18,971 | 4,748 | 5,814 | 35,940 | 73,458 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 46 | | 336 | 17 | 1,602 | 97 | 2,098 |
| | ACRES | 30,380 | | 53,558 | 860 | 108,272 | 11,447 | 204,517 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 20 | | 204 | 82 | 489 | 780 | 1,575 |
| | ACRES | 13,894 | | 107,160 | 60,846 | 268,032 | 727,018 | 1,176,950 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 183 | 193 | 770 | 169 | 2,204 | 1,786 | 5,305 |
| | ACRES | 56,257 | 78,682 | 243,655 | 75,124 | 392,062 | 912,096 | 1,757,876 |

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WFU Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-------|--------|-------|-------|---------|---------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | 7 | 15 | 5 | 1 | | 28 |
| | ACRES | | 7,397 | 31,830 | 1,420 | 3 | | 40,650 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | | | 15 | | 24 | 39 |
| | ACRES | | | | 99 | | 2,938 | 3,037 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | 8 | 8 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 9,301 | 9,301 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | 11 | | 6 | 17 |
| | ACRES | | | | 3,986 | | 14,933 | 18,919 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | 2 | | 49 | 51 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | | 11,863 | 11,863 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | 1 | | 24 | 25 |
| | ACRES | | | | 0 | | 48,025 | 48,025 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 2 | | 1 | | 9 | 12 |
| | ACRES | | 81 | | 0 | | 10,145 | 10,226 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | 2 | | 19 | 21 |
| | ACRES | | | | 112 | | 17,689 | 17,801 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | 5 | | 2 | | 4 | 11 |
| | ACRES | | 25 | | 0 | | 54,645 | 54,670 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | 3 | | | | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | 3 | | | | 3 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | | 7 | 7 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 1,986 | 1,986 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 14 | 18 | 39 | 1 | 150 | 222 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 7,503 | 31,833 | 5,617 | 3 | 171,525 | 216,481 |

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Canada Fires and Hectares

| Provinces | Fires Last Week | Hectares Last Week | Fires Year-To-Date | Hectares Year-To-Date |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| British Columbia | 49 | 99 | 1,902 | 12,058 |
| Yukon Territory | 0 | 0 | 68 | 18,846 |
| Alberta | 17 | 54 | 1,558 | 18,530 |
| Northwest Territory | 0 | 0 | 240 | 308,789 |
| Saskatchewan | 0 | 0 | 582 | 1,127,811 |
| Manitoba | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ontario | 5 | 29 | 310 | 1,292 |
| Quebec | 4 | 1 | 207 | 1,478 |
| Newfoundland | 0 | 0 | 122 | 3,780 |
| New Brunswick | 0 | 0 | 160 | 131 |
| Nova Scotia | 0 | 0 | 242 | 2,717 |
| Prince Edward Island | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| National Parks | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 75 | 183 | 5,391 | 1,495,432 |

*** CIFFC table updated weekly. ***

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