

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, October 7, 2008 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (43 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1
 Fire Use Teams committed: 0

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

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

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Chalk, Los Padres NF. IMT 2 (Smith). Nine miles north of Gorda, CA. Chaparral. Smoldering. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
Chalk	CA	LPF	11,189	-979	67	10/17	1,327	119	28	61	10	0	10.8M	FS

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 10
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Panther, Klamath NF. Fifteen miles south of Happy Camp, CA. Timber and brush. 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
Panther	CA	KNF	72,344	0	25	10/28	161	-101	4	2	3	0	NR	FS

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 0
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2

Lonesome Complex, Rogue River NF. Twelve miles east of Prospect, OR. Timber. Smoldering.

Gnarl Ridge, Mt. Hood NF. Ten miles south of Parkdale, OR. Timber. No new information.

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Lonesome Complex	OR	RRF	21,125	0	70	10/15	125	28	2	0	2	0	18.2M	FS
Gnarl Ridge	OR	MHF	3,280	---	90	10/15	132	---	2	4	2	0	15.0M	FS

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 10
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Fred, Daniel Boone NF. Twelve miles west of Whitley City, KY. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior.

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
* Fred	KY	DBF	150	---	50	UNK	37	---	2	0	0	0	NR	FS
* Pelican Lodge	TX	TXS	130	---	100	---	9	---	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI

TXS – Texas State Forest Service

Predictive Services Discussion: Warmer conditions are expected across much of the West today. A weak low pressure system moving across the British Columbia border will bring strong winds to the Northern Rockies. Offshore flow will continue in southern California with moderate relative humidity. The Southeast will continue to see an increase in relative humidity with showers moving in from the west.

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



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

BUILDING FIRELINE DOWNHILL WITH FIRE BELOW

As a general rule, construct line moving uphill. Many firefighters have lost their lives attacking wildland fires from above. If there is no practical alternative to constructing line downhill, proceed only after weighing the following considerations:

- Has the area been scouted for fire perimeter and behavior? Discuss what you need to know about the fire perimeter and fire behavior before building fireline downhill with fire below.
- Will wind direction be at your back? Will it stay at your back? Talk about how winds can change when you are on a slope (e.g., time of day, upslope and downslope breezes, etc.).
- Is the area free of chimneys and gullies? How would you negotiate your line location if there were chimneys and gullies below where you needed to be working?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes as you progress downhill? How do you maintain adequate safety zones and escape routes as you progress downhill?
- Can you carry your burnout downhill as you go to provide an anchor point and safety zones? Discuss how you decide when to carry the burnout with you or wait until you have tied in down below.
- Have lookouts been posted? What do the lookouts need to be on the watch for?
- Do you have good communications, especially with lookouts and crews working towards you? What are some of the dangers of not communicating with lookouts and crews working towards you? What are the benefits of maintaining good communications?
- Can the line be completed and burned out before the fire reaches the line? Discuss how this would affect where you locate the line.
- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assignment? What additional resources might you need to safely take on an assignment that includes building fireline downhill with fire below?
- Is aerial support available if needed? What benefits can aerial resources provide? What might be an added danger from aerial resources in this type of situation? (Common Denominators)
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- Has everyone been briefed on the assignment, fire behavior, weather, communications, escape routes and safety zones, hazards and tactics? Discuss who might provide this briefing and where and when it might occur.
- To reduce the risks:
 - If the answer is “no” to any of these questions, consider other tactics and provide for safety first.
 - Never compromise escape routes to safety zones for the sake of building line. Remind everyone that a situation check is each and every firefighter’s right and responsibility.

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	3				7		10
	ACRES	0				2		2
Southern California	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					0		0
Northern Rockies	FIRES		4			2		6
	ACRES		572			0		572
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		0				0	0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1				1	1	3
	ACRES	0				1,600	0	1,600
Eastern Area	FIRES					3	1	4
	ACRES					4	1	5
Southern Area	FIRES	2				7	1	10
	ACRES	40				622	13	675
TOTAL	FIRES	6	5	0	0	27	5	43
	ACRES	40	572	0	0	2,228	14	2,854

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	302	261	25	76	779	1,499	2,942
	ACRES	36,341	100,008	8,227	649	91,454	45,304	281,983
Northern California	FIRES	175	42	8	37	3,158	978	4,398
	ACRES	693	71	175	12,991	284,727	636,805	935,462
Southern California	FIRES	77	131	14	48	3,593	539	4,402
	ACRES	385	26,884	871	3,698	53,157	293,205	378,200
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,000	85	18	13	775	646	2,537
	ACRES	20,592	14,485	7,898	9,332	153,079	21,050	226,436
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	48	495	5	30	442	466	1,486
	ACRES	8,884	70,499	513	927	23,183	34,984	138,990
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	272	6	17	80	70	453
	ACRES	10	21,921	51	6	3,375	45,425	70,788
Southwest	FIRES	651	230	9	49	705	954	2,598
	ACRES	19,448	81,219	679	982	263,268	96,017	461,613
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	629	371	25	26	547	363	1,961
	ACRES	2,128	17,443	2,015	318	185,692	9,413	217,009
Eastern Area	FIRES	349		17	19	9,206	307	9,898
	ACRES	1,961		157	65	53,524	706	56,413
Southern Area	FIRES	966		84	67	37,821	570	39,508
	ACRES	59,307		48,375	55,692	1,909,641	38,161	2,111,176
TOTAL	FIRES	4,205	1,901	230	383	57,406	6,395	70,520
	ACRES	149,749	333,174	70,313	84,660	3,081,751	1,221,070	4,940,717

Ten Year Average Fires	69,117
Ten Year Average Acres	6,318,599

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	3	5
	ACRES					128	121	249
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						400	400
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						845	845
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			69				69
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	2	6	9
	ACRES	0	0	69	0	128	1,367	1,564

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	27	2		145	226
	ACRES	2,435	21,396	2,704	51		20,385	46,971
Northern California	FIRES	25	14	17	17	11	106	190
	ACRES	415	797	23,588	473	2,130	2,732	30,135
Southern California	FIRES		4	7	7	6	129	153
	ACRES		118	1,337	1,326	73	13,114	15,968
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	22	61	5	36	218	365
	ACRES	2,095	3,837	17,338	309	2,255	25,742	51,576
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	27	6	9	12	64	122
	ACRES	860	10,681	376	3,632	1,687	21,932	39,168
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	4	4		4	16
	ACRES		2,655	90	66		2,437	5,248
Southwest	FIRES	35	65	11	14		181	306
	ACRES	4,214	39,908	20,031	3,148		65,418	132,719
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	27	34	108	20	46	131	366
	ACRES	2,971	6,137	19,451	4,983	5,834	39,133	78,509
Eastern Area	FIRES	45		339	17	1,608	97	2,106
	ACRES	30,335		53,831	860	108,629	11,447	205,102
Southern Area	FIRES	20		216	82	489	792	1,599
	ACRES	13,894		112,189	60,846	268,032	729,652	1,184,613
TOTAL	FIRES	189	212	796	177	2,218	1,867	5,459
	ACRES	57,219	85,529	250,935	75,694	392,630	931,992	1,793,999

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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				159		2,938	3,097
Northern California	FIRES						8	8
	ACRES						9,301	9,301
Southern California	FIRES				13		8	21
	ACRES				4,128		15,154	19,282
Northern Rockies	FIRES				2		49	51
	ACRES				0		11,852	11,852
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		31	32
	ACRES				0		50,029	50,029
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		1		10	13
	ACRES		81		0		10,148	10,229
Southwest	FIRES				2		21	23
	ACRES				112		17,958	18,070
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	41	1	162	236
	ACRES	0	7,503	31,833	5,819	3	174,011	219,169

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