

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, June 25, 2009 – 0530 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (85 new fires)  
 New large fires: 2 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 4  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

\*\* Uncontained large fires do not include confine/contain incidents. \*\*  
[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Alaska Area (PL 2)**

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

**Slate Creek**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-eight miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Little Black One**, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Confine / contain management strategy. Fifty-three miles southeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Dagitli River**, Galena Zone, BLM. Confine / contain management strategy. Twenty-three miles east of Huslia, AK. Brush. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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
Slate Creek	AK	TAD	640	---	0	UNK	3	---	0	0	0	0	107K	BLM
* Little Black One	AK	UYD	3,640	---	0	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
* Dagitli River	AK	GAD	1,900	---	0	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	BLM
Winter Trail	AK	SWS	2,309	0	100	---	122	0	5	0	2	0	1.2M	ST

SWS – Southwest Area, Alaska DOF

**Northern California Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 24  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Sims**, Klamath NF. Eight miles northeast of Seiad Valley, CA. Timber. Creeping with occasional torching.

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Sims	CA	KNF	159	-41	50	UNK	352	352	15	7	6	0	NR	FS

**Southern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 6

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 2

**Bayport**, Florida DOF. One mile east of Pine Island, FL. Southern rough. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Hopewell Rd**, Texas Forest Service. Previously reported incident. Started on private land 20 miles northwest of Huntsville, TX. Timber. No further information received.

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Bayport	FL	FLS	1,427	---	80	UNK	23	---	0	7	0	0	NR	ST
Hopewell Rd	TX	TXS	381	0	90	UNK	13	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A large upper level storm system will move into the Northwest with another storm system moving into southern California. Scattered wet thunderstorms will likely develop across the central and southern Sierra Nevada as well as the eastern Four-Corner region. Mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are possible across the Great Basin and Arizona. Alaska will continue to see cool and wet conditions across the south with thunderstorms possible in the interior.

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



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](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					6		6
	ACRES					8		8
Northern California	FIRES	1				21	2	24
	ACRES	0				17	159	176
Southern California	FIRES		2			14	1	17
	ACRES		0			9	5	14
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1				2		3
	ACRES	0				1		1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		4		2	1	1	8
	ACRES		29		0	2	120	151
Western Great Basin	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					0		0
Southwest	FIRES	8					2	10
	ACRES	20					4	24
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	1			1		8
	ACRES	1	0			0		1
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern Area	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					45		45
TOTAL	FIRES	16	7	0	2	53	7	85
	ACRES	21	29	0	0	82	288	420

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		29	23	4	254	5	315
	ACRES		17,536	31,874	2,570	238,220	0	290,200
Northwest	FIRES	98	84	1	5	241	182	611
	ACRES	410	1,366	2	2	657	316	2,753
Northern California	FIRES	29	21	1	7	694	250	1,002
	ACRES	23	19	0	1	3,861	628	4,532
Southern California	FIRES	12	52	3	7	1,266	193	1,533
	ACRES	36	473	4	553	4,092	2,582	7,740
Northern Rockies	FIRES	216	12	5	1	126	102	462
	ACRES	558	434	389	0	14,930	237	16,548
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	3	56	3	9	79	38	188
	ACRES	20	99	186	0	218	280	803
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	51		2	32	24	112
	ACRES	20	153		0	68	7	248
Southwest	FIRES	373	142	5	34	621	393	1,568
	ACRES	10,326	67,423	13	2,049	260,456	42,041	382,308
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	174	66	13	4	225	60	542
	ACRES	856	67	533	43	61,790	229	63,518
Eastern Area	FIRES	389		27	24	10,994	459	11,893
	ACRES	1,206		767	110	102,051	6,476	110,610
Southern Area	FIRES	293		150	47	27,465	497	28,452
	ACRES	35,253		27,204	68,458	838,816	25,242	994,973
TOTAL	FIRES	1,590	513	231	144	41,997	2,203	46,678
	ACRES	48,708	87,570	60,972	73,786	1,525,159	78,038	1,874,233

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>40,263</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>1,651,143</b>

\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

**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	2	4
	ACRES					20	31	51
Southern California	FIRES				0		0	0
	ACRES				4		1	5
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						150	150
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						3	3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	3	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	4	20	185	209

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					3,338		3,338
Northwest	FIRES	15	100	19	2		83	219
	ACRES	7,122	7,746	4,068	31		12,266	31,233
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	17	34	24	198	315
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,529	164	2,595	8,948	40,975
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	4		113	133
	ACRES		564	748	274		8,518	10,104
Northern Rockies	FIRES	19	27	75	2	24	175	322
	ACRES	1,112	4,404	18,310	345	2,241	17,247	43,659
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	30	2	9	28	43	113
	ACRES	8	1,601	770	317	219	10,370	13,285
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	2			5	11
	ACRES		104	62			219	385
Southwest	FIRES	20	25	3	8		192	248
	ACRES	845	52,638	501	1,099		103,334	158,417
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	41	108	10	35	120	351
	ACRES	3,511	4,739	18,786	5,851	876	28,549	62,312
Eastern Area	FIRES	65		416	40	1,735	161	2,417
	ACRES	72,679		63,543	9,200	81,558	45,327	272,307
Southern Area	FIRES	5		242	77	780	999	2,103
	ACRES	2,370		123,874	90,109	282,212	929,590	1,428,155
TOTAL	FIRES	188	250	893	186	2,635	2,089	6,241
	ACRES	87,871	74,311	257,191	107,390	373,039	1,164,368	2,064,170

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### Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	0	0	800	38,621
Yukon Territory	0	0	38	22,530
Alberta	5	0	1,005	53,983
Northwest Territory	0	0	17	485
Saskatchewan	0	1,580	442	31,357
Manitoba	1	2	108	2,402
Ontario	7	723	230	6,764
Quebec	14	13,015	304	24,572
Newfoundland	0	0	112	4,053
New Brunswick	0	0	152	232
Nova Scotia	0	0	133	937
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	58	29,929
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15,320</b>	<b>3,399</b>	<b>215,864</b>

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