

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, July 8, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (172 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 13
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 2
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

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

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

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 15
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Backbone, Six Rivers NF. NIMO (Custer) and IMT2 (Swartzlander). Twelve miles northeast of Willow Creek, CA. Timber and heavy dead and down fuels. Moderate fire behavior. 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
Backbone	CA	SRF	4,584	-236	25	UNK	412	90	12	3	10	0	1.6M	FS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 31
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Grouse, Yosemite National Park. IMT 2 (Johnson). Five miles east of El Portal, CA. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

Harden, Yosemite National Park. Thirteen miles southeast of Yosemite Valley, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

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Grouse	CA	YNP	3,029	22	93	7/11	227	-146	3	5	2	0	2.2M	NPS

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Harden	CA	YNP	1,661	0	95	7/11	68	-48	4	0	1	0	880K	NPS

Alaska Area (PL 2)

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

NIMO (Gage) has been ordered.

Minto Flat South, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Allen). Twelve miles northwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tussock with mixed hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened.

Bear Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-three miles east of Lake Minchumina, AK. Spruce and brush. Minimal fire activity. Numerous structures threatened.

Zitziana, Tanana Zone, BLM. Fifty miles southeast of Tanana, AK. Black spruce and brush. Rapid rates of spread with torching. Structures threatened.

Rock Slough, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Started on FWS land, 47 miles northeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Black spruce, brush and tundra. Moderate fire activity. Numerous structures threatened.

Chakina, Valdez – Copper River Area, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Fourteen miles south of McCarthy, AK. Black spruce and grass. Backing fire.

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Minto Flat South	AK	FAS	125,687	46,487	0	UNK	192	154	7	0	3	0	222K	ST
Bear Creek	AK	TAD	32,547	0	0	11/1	28	-1	1	0	1	0	392K	BLM
Zitziana	AK	TAD	19,270	1	0	9/30	37	1	1	0	2	0	NR	BLM
Rock Slough	AK	UYD	10,018	5,000	0	UNK	139	7	5	0	3	0	831K	FWS
Chakina	AK	CRS	5,500	---	0	UNK	9	---	0	0	1	0	37K	ST

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 51
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Black Butte II, Deschutes NF. IMT 2 (Rapp). Nine miles northwest of Sisters, OR. Mixed conifer, ponderosa pine and grass. Moderate fire activity with short-range spotting.

* **Twelve Mile**, John Day Unit, Oregon DOF. Twelve miles north of Long Creek, OR. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

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Black Butte II	OR	DEF	600	300	10	UNK	352	153	11	15	6	0	657K	FS
* Twelve Mile	OR	952S	630	---	70	7/8	156	---	6	11	2	0	50K	ST

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 17
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2

Deer, Colorado River Agency, BIA. Ten miles west of Parker, AZ. Chaparral. Minimal fire activity.

Cross, Kaibab NF. Eighteen miles southeast of Williams, AZ. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with short-range spotting.

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Deer	AZ	CRA	402	0	90	UNK	75	-6	2	5	1	0	40K	BIA
Cross	AZ	KNF	750	500	0	UNK	61	7	1	4	0	0	NR	FS

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Reese Lane, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles east of Columbus, TX. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

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Reese Lane	TX	TXS	1,802	302	80	UNK	52	5	0	17	1	7	NR	PRI

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 3
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

* **Roan Cliffs**, Grand Junction Field Office, BLM. Confine / contain management strategy. Five miles west of Carbonera, CO. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Moderate fire activity with running and spotting. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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* Roan Cliffs	CO	GRD	150	---	0	UNK	14	---	0	1	1	0	NR	BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Continued cool weather today over the Northwest quarter of the country with scattered showers and thunderstorms, mainly over portions of Idaho and Montana. Dry, gusty winds are expected from the Sierras to the Rockies. The Southwest and Texas will be hot with a few thunderstorms. In Alaska, it will be cooler with gusty winds and scattered thunderstorms.

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



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

Retardant Drop Safety

Having retardant dropped on a fire should be a routine event. However, there are risks associated with retardant drops that can pose serious threats to personnel and equipment. Consider the following for all drops:

- Be aware of the location of lead planes and airtankers during retardant drop operations.
- Be sure you have positive contact with the lead plane or airtanker before the drop.
- Personnel can be injured by the impact of retardant drops. Clear personnel out of the target area when the drop is conducted. If an individual is unable to retreat to a safe place, the best method for minimizing injury from the drop is to:
 - Hold your handtool away from your body.
 - Lie face down with your hardhat in place and head toward the oncoming aircraft.
 - Grasp something firm to prevent being carried or rolled about by the retardant.
 - Do not run unless escape is ensured.
 - Get clear of dead snags and tops.
 - Be aware of rolling debris below the drop site in steep terrain.
- Working in an area covered by retardant should be done with caution due to slippery surfaces.
- If possible, wash the retardant off your skin to prevent irritation.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			4		5
	ACRES		2			0		2
Northwest	FIRES		3			34	14	51
	ACRES		100			27	202	329
Northern California	FIRES					13	2	15
	ACRES					5	0	5
Southern California	FIRES					27	4	31
	ACRES					2	320	322
Northern Rockies	FIRES	4	4			3	6	17
	ACRES	0	22			1	10	33
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	2		1	5	2	14
	ACRES	2	8		2	392	97	501
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2			2		4
	ACRES		3			0		3
Southwest	FIRES	3				2	12	17
	ACRES	201				1	12	214
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2			1		3
	ACRES		150			0		150
Eastern Area	FIRES	4				3	1	8
	ACRES	2				1	1	4
Southern Area	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					46		46
TOTAL	FIRES	15	14	0	1	101	41	172
	ACRES	205	285	0	2	475	642	1,609

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	32	26	16	273	6	354
	ACRES	1	60,778	99,118	7,874	343,262	0	511,033
Northwest	FIRES	183	102	1	7	358	280	931
	ACRES	961	1,497	2	143	804	842	4,249
Northern California	FIRES	59	24	1	10	989	286	1,369
	ACRES	44	19	0	1	5,987	3,883	9,934
Southern California	FIRES	23	76	5	8	1,599	245	1,956
	ACRES	40	526	15	1,714	5,317	4,021	11,633
Northern Rockies	FIRES	343	25	10	7	250	181	816
	ACRES	698	461	391	1	15,368	274	17,193
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	21	95	3	11	160	73	363
	ACRES	28	745	186	3	827	531	2,320
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	128	2	4	46	40	223
	ACRES	20	301	0	0	92	15	428
Southwest	FIRES	431	176	5	41	639	492	1,784
	ACRES	11,411	67,926	13	2,126	260,539	43,414	385,429
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	262	94	13	8	249	83	709
	ACRES	1,007	358	533	61	61,833	232	64,024
Eastern Area	FIRES	395		28	25	11,114	472	12,034
	ACRES	1,209		807	110	102,499	6,555	111,180
Southern Area	FIRES	295		158	47	25,201	529	26,230
	ACRES	35,258		35,862	68,458	806,685	25,777	972,040
TOTAL	FIRES	2,016	752	252	184	40,878	2,687	46,769
	ACRES	50,677	132,611	136,927	80,491	1,603,213	85,544	2,089,463

Ten Year Average Fires	44,481
Ten Year Average Acres	2,452,309

*** 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							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				352			352
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0				0	0
	ACRES		20				200	220
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	20	0	352	0	200	572

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	107	19	2	1	87	231
	ACRES	7,122	7,946	4,068	31	1	12,360	31,528
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	20	44	25	144	275
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,582	384	2,791	5,424	37,920
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	5	1	114	136
	ACRES		564	748	674	195	8,522	10,703
Northern Rockies	FIRES	22	28	76	2	24	181	333
	ACRES	1,973	4,434	18,348	345	2,241	17,473	44,814
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	18	2	6	21	49	97
	ACRES	8	2,519	770	272	180	12,932	16,681
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	2			5	14
	ACRES		1,293	62			219	1,574
Southwest	FIRES	23	28	3	8		202	264
	ACRES	1,673	54,280	501	1,099		104,833	162,386
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	45	108	10	42	121	363
	ACRES	3,634	4,759	18,786	5,851	1,577	28,552	63,159
Eastern Area	FIRES	65		417	40	1,736	162	2,420
	ACRES	72,679		63,548	9,200	81,489	45,557	272,473
Southern Area	FIRES	5		252	78	798	1,023	2,156
	ACRES	2,370		128,990	90,359	295,669	941,720	1,459,108
TOTAL	FIRES	194	256	908	195	2,657	2,088	6,298
	ACRES	89,683	78,310	262,403	108,215	387,481	1,177,592	2,103,684

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	27	8	994	38,791
Yukon Territory	1	0	50	33,322
Alberta	3	0	1,126	55,327
Northwest Territory	0	0	18	486
Saskatchewan	0	0	451	37,071
Manitoba	1	1	122	2,434
Ontario	4	0	277	20,092
Quebec	1	0	399	90,078
Newfoundland	0	0	129	13,333
New Brunswick	0	0	153	232
Nova Scotia	1	0	142	931
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	64	27,863
Total	38	10	3,925	319,960

Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>

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