

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, July 19, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (131 new fires)
 New large fires: 7 (*)
 Large fires contained: 3
 Uncontained large fires**: 18
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 2
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

Nationally, there are 41 large fires being managed with minimal or no resource commitment that are not shown on today's report.

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

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

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires: 6
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Railbelt Complex (3 fires), Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Allen). Twelve miles southwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tussock with mixed hardwood litter. No new information.

Shanta Creek, Kenai – Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF. NIMO (Gage). Started on FWS land twelve miles southeast of Soldotna, AK. Spruce. Interior creeping and smoldering.

Rock Slough, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Started on FWS land, forty-seven miles northeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Black spruce, brush and tundra. No new information.

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
Railbelt Complex	AK	FAS	190,284	0	3	UNK	303	0	10	2	4	0	3.4M	ST
Shanta Creek	AK	KKS	13,151	0	80	10/10	341	-6	9	1	4	0	4.4M	FWS
Rock Slough	AK	UYD	16,900	1,350	NR	UNK	134	31	6	0	2	0	2.1M	FWS

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 19
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. Residual interior burning.

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	6,324	18	60	7/24	816	-178	21	7	9	0	14.1M	FS
Mammoth	CA	NEU	643	-7	100	---	358	-173	6	8	1	0	775K	ST

NEU – Nevada-Yuba Placer Unit, Cal Fire

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 18
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Redrock, Carson City Field Office, BLM. IMT2 (Whalen). IMT is also managing the Trailer 1 fire. Twenty-five miles northwest of Reno, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, grass and brush. Moderate fire activity with isolated torching. Numerous residences threatened.

Trailer 1, Carson City Field Office, BLM. Twenty-five miles north of Reno, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and slash. Interior 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
Redrock	NV	CCD	10,549	651	60	7/20	478	125	14	8	6	0	485K	BLM
Trailer 1	NC	CCD	1,349	-151	80	UNK	161	130	11	12	5	0	485K	BLM

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 10
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

***Whitney**, Crater Lake National Park, NPS. IMT2 (Paul). Ten miles north of Crater Lake, OR. Mixed conifer. Moderate fire activity.

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
* Whitney	OR	CLP	100	---	0	UNK	72	---	3	1	3	0	NR	NPS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 12
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 2

Bridge, Dixie NF. Eight miles southwest of Bryce Canyon, UT. Timber. Group tree torching, spotting and backing fire. Road closures in effect.

***Steep Creek**, Fishlake NF. Eleven miles northeast of Boulder, UT. Timber. Active fire behavior with group-tree torching.

Blind Canyon, Vernal Field Office, BLM. Previously reported confine / contain management strategy. Sixty miles south of Vernal, UT. Timber, juniper and brush. Active fire behavior. 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
Bridge	UT	DIF	3,488	588	50	UNK	299	50	10	5	3	0	NR	FS
*Steep Creek	UT	FIF	230	---	0	7/25	25	---	1	1	1	0	NR	FS
Blind Canyon	UT	VLD	1,100	350	0	UNK	33	11	1	2	1	0	NR	BLM

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 7
New large fires: 3
Uncontained large fires: 3

Scott's Crossing, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles northeast of Stamford, TX. Mixed hardwoods and brush. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

***Rockdale**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land thirteen miles east of Stamford, TX. Oak, mesquite and cedar brush. Creeping and smoldering.

***Dog House**, Sabine NWR. Fifteen miles south of Hackberry, LA. Grass. No further information received.

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
Scott's Crossing	TX	TXS	3,000	1,500	50	7/21	12	0	0	0	1	0	NR	PRI
*Rockdale	TX	TXS	1,000	---	90	7/19	11	---	0	0	1	0	NR	PRI
*Dog House	LA	SBR	800	---	0	7/23	8	---	0	1	1	0	NR	FWS
*Radar	MS	MNF	165	---	100	UNK	9	---	0	3	0	0	4K	FS

MNF – National Forests in Mississippi

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 13
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 3

San Juan, Papago Agency, BIA. Fourteen miles east of Sells, AZ. Manzanita and oak brush, hardwood slash. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

Deer, Colorado River Agency, BIA. Ten miles west of Parker, AZ. Chaparral. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Bear Canyon, San Carlos Agency, BIA. Twenty-three miles north of San Carlos, AZ. Chaparral and grass. No new information.

***Sawmill 2**, Navajo Regional Office, BIA. Confine / contain management strategy. Five miles south of Sawmill, AZ. Timber and grass. Minimal 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
San Juan	AZ	PPA	7,600	3,700	55	7/20	109	0	3	5	1	0	205K	BIA
Deer	AZ	CRA	412	---	95	UNK	28	---	1	1	0	0	140K	BIA
Bear Canyon	AZ	SCA	360	0	50	7/31	53	-65	2	1	0	0	NR	BIA
*Sawmill 2	AZ	NAA	100	---	50	7/19	50	---	2	2	1	0	8K	BIA

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 33
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1

***Forks**, Inyo NF. Eighteen miles northwest of Big Pine, CA. Aspen and juniper. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

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
*Forks	CA	INF	300	---	0	UNK	50	---	1	3	2	0	NR	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 8
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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
Grammar	CO	UPD	801	0	100	---	32	-120	1	3	0	0	1M	BLM

UPD – Uncompahgre Field Office, BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Cooler conditions will move into the northwest quarter of the country today. Winds will increase across Washington and the Northern Rockies. Initially dry thunderstorms are possible from eastern Oregon and the Sierras of California to the Continental Divide, with wetter storms east of the Divide. Alaska will continue to see cool, wet conditions in the southwest with warm temperatures and the threat for thunderstorms across the interior.

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



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

Entrapment Avoidance (Cont...)

Avoiding situations where firefighters become entrapped is the first concern when devising strategy and tactics. The following discussion points are among the things that should be considered.

- Discuss the three types of safety zones and describe examples.
 - The burn
 - Natural features
 - Constructed sites

- Discuss the guidelines for distance separation to avoid radiant heat injury.
 - Four times the maximum flame height (20 feet-flame height x 4 = 80 feet radius from firefighters)

- Discuss heat impact factors that will affect the guidelines for distance separation.
 - Convection heat from wind and terrain features
 - Location relative to fire spread
 - Reburn potential of fuel in safety zone

- Discuss that firefighters have a right to know the location of their escape routes and safety zones at all times.
- Discuss that firefighter have a right to ask for clarification when faced with unclear instructions or fear of the unknown.
- Describe a basic procedure for identification of effective escape routes and safety zones.
 - Observe
 - Visualize
 - Identify
 - Time
 - Inform
 - Evaluate

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1	1		4		6
	ACRES		30	3		1		34
Northwest	FIRES	2					8	10
	ACRES	3					4	7
Northern California	FIRES	3	1			15		19
	ACRES	1	0			39		40
Southern California	FIRES		5		2	23	3	33
	ACRES		32		0	491	27	550
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	3	4
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5			4	3	12
	ACRES		358			9	368	735
Western Great Basin	FIRES		9			5	4	18
	ACRES		669			44	3	716
Southwest	FIRES	1			1	3	8	13
	ACRES	6,101			3	121	468	6,693
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		3			1	4	8
	ACRES		51			0	0	51
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES			1		6		7
	ACRES			1,466		26		1,492
TOTAL	FIRES	6	24	2	3	63	33	131
	ACRES	6,105	1,140	1,469	3	731	870	10,318

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	39	32	18	309	17	416
	ACRES	1	169,129	281,362	23,633	527,240	8	1,001,373
Northwest	FIRES	237	109	1	13	449	360	1,169
	ACRES	1,223	2,033	1	245	1,101	1,088	5,691
Northern California	FIRES	76	26	3	11	1,222	361	1,699
	ACRES	70	19	4	1	6,915	6,999	14,008
Southern California	FIRES	26	96	7	10	1,859	327	2,325
	ACRES	42	718	23	1,714	8,686	5,376	16,559
Northern Rockies	FIRES	496	30	10	9	302	227	1,074
	ACRES	1,177	669	391	2	15,409	320	17,968
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	23	158	3	19	242	110	555
	ACRES	29	2,770	186	526	965	7,620	12,096
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	148	2	5	52	50	260
	ACRES	20	14,230	0	0	157	18	14,425
Southwest	FIRES	480	201	7	43	727	596	2,054
	ACRES	19,807	70,085	145	3,706	279,904	67,062	440,709
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	304	175	13	9	391	121	1,013
	ACRES	1,457	2,008	533	61	66,093	351	70,503
Eastern Area	FIRES	408		30	25	11,382	502	12,347
	ACRES	1,211		808	110	102,952	6,573	111,654
Southern Area	FIRES	296		166	52	28,711	541	29,766
	ACRES	35,259		41,075	43,957	856,519	25,857	1,002,667
TOTAL	FIRES	2,350	982	274	214	45,646	3,212	52,678
	ACRES	60,296	261,661	324,528	73,955	1,865,941	121,272	2,707,653

Ten Year Average Fires	48,513
Ten Year Average Acres	3,091,671

*** 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
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
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	0	0	0	0	0	0

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	19	88	250
	ACRES	7,122	7,946	4,068	31	231	12,361	31,759
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	20	46	26	163	297
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,582	1,450	2,891	7,697	41,359
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	5	1	115	137
	ACRES		564	748	1,078	195	8,627	11,212
Northern Rockies	FIRES	22	25	76	2	24	181	330
	ACRES	1,973	3,886	18,348	345	2,241	17,473	44,266
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	22	2	7	21	50	103
	ACRES	8	4,028	770	282	180	13,730	18,998
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2			5	15
	ACRES		1,812	62			219	2,093
Southwest	FIRES	25	17	3	8		210	263
	ACRES	1,739	46,940	501	1,099		106,766	157,045
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	65	45	108	10	45	121	394
	ACRES	7,304	4,759	18,917	5,851	1,564	28,552	66,947
Eastern Area	FIRES	67		420	43	1,786	165	2,481
	ACRES	72,214		63,901	9,201	82,062	45,670	273,048
Southern Area	FIRES	5		254	80	802	1,041	2,182
	ACRES	2,370		130,230	90,752	296,715	959,427	1,479,494
TOTAL	FIRES	226	247	913	203	2,733	2,139	6,461
	ACRES	92,954	72,450	264,127	110,089	389,417	1,200,522	2,129,559

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	10	0	1,046	40,838
Yukon Territory	1	0	58	59,900
Alberta	5	0	1,168	64,173
Northwest Territory	1	15	20	761
Saskatchewan	0	1	454	37,344
Manitoba	0	0	130	2,438
Ontario	0	0	309	20,101
Quebec	0	0	407	122,406
Newfoundland	1	1	157	52,583
New Brunswick	0	0	153	232
Nova Scotia	0	0	148	934
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	0	67	32,860
Total	19	17	4,117	434,572

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

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