

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, August 4, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (269 new fires)
New large fires:	19 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires : **	29
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	12

Nationally, there are 67 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.

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	48
New large fires:	3
Uncontained large fires:	6
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

Williams Creek, Umpqua NF. IMT2 (Paul). Fifteen miles east of Glide, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with group-tree torching. Structures threatened. Community of Moorehill, power transmission lines and anadromous fisheries are threatened. Hwy 138 has been closed.

Discovery, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Washington IMT2 (Gormley). Timber. Thirty miles west of Yakima, WA. Moderate fire activity with mid-range spotting. Structures threatened.

* **Heatwave Complex** (3 fires), Olympic National Park, NPS. IMT2 (McBratney). Confine/contain management strategy. Fifteen miles west of Brinnon, WA. Timber with heavy dead and down fuels. Creeping and smoldering.

* **North Fork Complex**, Umatilla NF. IMT2 (Batten). Fifteen miles southeast of Ukiah, Oregon. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting.

Langille, Gifford-Pinchot NF. IMT2 (Hutton). Confine/contain management strategy. Fifteen miles southwest of Randle, WA. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

Gold Hill Complex, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF. Washington IMT2 (Johnson). Confine/contain management strategy. Three miles southeast of Darrington, WA. Timber. Smoldering and creeping. Road closures in effect.

Cougar Creek, Malheur NF. Ten miles south of John Day, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. No further information received.

Well, Lakeview District, BLM. Eight miles northwest of Christmas Valley, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Long Prong, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Thirty-five miles northeast of Enterprise, OR. Timber and grass. 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
Williams Creek	OR	UPF	4,500	0	30	8/7	1,118	76	30	41	5	0	4.9M	FS
Discovery	WA	OWF	2,271	179	5	8/15	619	197	17	4	5	0	1.6M	FS
* Heatwave Complex	WA	OLP	1,078	---	N/A	N/A	46	---	0	0	3	0	NR	NPS
* North Fork Complex	OR	UMF	850	---	5	8/10	50	---	2	3	0	0	NR	FS
Langille	WA	GPF	470	0	N/A	N/A	30	-2	0	0	1	0	123K	FS
Gold Hill Complex	WA	MSF	52	22	N/A	N/A	307	-100	9	7	3	0	1M	FS
Cougar Creek	OR	MAF	1,063	11	95	8/6	44	-194	2	0	2	0	NR	FS
Well	OR	LAD	325	0	60	8/5	57	-21	2	5	0	0	350K	BLM
Long Prong	OR	WWF	145	0	95	8/10	114	-42	5	0	2	0	1.1M	FS
* Rhineheart Butte II	OR	VAD	750	---	100	---	27	---	0	8	0	0	NR	BLM

VAD – Vale District, BLM

Alaska Area (PL 4)

New fires: 5
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 9
 Type 2 IMTs committed 2

Railbelt Complex (2 fires), Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT2 (Doty). Twelve miles southwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tussock with mixed hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with running and group torching. Numerous residences threatened.

Crazy Mountain Complex (4 fires). Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. IMT2 (Kurth). Three miles southwest of Circle, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. Moderate fire activity. Community of Circle is threatened. Numerous structures threatened.

Zitziana, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on state land fifty miles southeast of Tanana, AK. Brush. Residences threatened. No further information received.

Rock Slough, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Started on FWS land, forty-seven miles northeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Black spruce, brush and tundra. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened.

* **Hardluck Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Twenty-seven miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

* **Rex Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Confine/contain management strategy. Fourteen miles northeast of Ferry, AK. Black spruce and tundra. 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
Railbelt Complex	AK	FAS	482,766	20,468	N/A	N/A	457	-11	15	5	7	0	9.5M	ST

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
Crazy Mountain Complex	AK	UYD	372,837	19,165	N/A	N/A	246	-13	8	8	3	0	1.9M	BLM
Zitziana	AK	TAD	122,705	---	N/A	N/A	58	---	2	0	3	0	851K	ST
Rock Slough	AK	UYD	39,500	0	N/A	N/A	77	-6	3	0	0	0	4.3M	FWS
* Hardluck Creek	AK	FAS	950	---	0	8/13	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Rex Creek	AK	FAS	900	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	ST

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 84
 New large fires: 3
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 Type 1 IMTs committed 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed 1

SHU Lightning, Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT1 (Wenham). Three miles northeast of Burney, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior. Multiple communities threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

* **Brown**, Lassen NF. IMT2 (Molhoek). Twenty miles southwest of Fall River Mills, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior. Multiple residences are threatened. Evacuations in effect. Hwy 38 closed.

* **Multiple Lightning Complex**, Lassen NF. Twenty miles northeast of Chester, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Dodge Complex, Northern California Resource Area, BLM. Ten miles southeast of Madeline, CA. Juniper, mahogany, brush and grass. Smoldering.

* **LMU August Lightning**, Lassen-Modoc Unit, Cal Fire. Lassen and Modoc Counties, CA. Timber. Moderate 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
SHU Lightning	CA	SHU	1,000	450	10	8/5	1010	535	38	11	2	0	785K	ST
* Brown	CA	LNF	1,050	---	20	UNK	306	10	20	3	2	0	NR	FS
* Multiple Lightning Complex	CA	LNF	1,000	---	2	UNK	NR	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Dodge Complex	CA	NOD	1,600	0	75	8/7	186	-15	8	2	2	0	625K	BLM
* LMU August Lightning	CA	LMU	193	---	50	8/5	680	---	20	21	2	0	NR	ST
Upper Complex	CA	MDF	129	-11	100	---	348	-132	8	3	2	0	625K	FS

MDF – Modoc NF

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 36
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Knight, Stanislaus NF. IMT2 (Johnson). Ten miles north of Twain Harte, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior.

* **Ponderosa**, Los Padres NF. IMT2 (Smith). Twenty miles southwest of King City, CA. Chaparral. Moderate fire activity. Road closures in effect.

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
Knight	CA	STF	4,700	200	45	8/9	1,259	-93	27	16	8	0	8.9M	FS
* Ponderosa	CA	LPF	360	---	16	UNK	602	---	14	10	7	0	800K	FS

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 33
 New large fires: 6
 Uncontained large fires: 2

Rim, Tonto NF. Twelve miles northeast of Payson, AZ. Heavy logging slash. Moderate fire activity.

Bear Canyon, San Carlos Agency, BIA. Previously reported confine/contain management strategy. Twenty-three miles north of San Carlos, AZ. Chaparral and grass. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Anderson**, Kaibab NF. Sixteen miles southeast of Tusayan, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Ridge**, Kaibab NF. Three miles northwest of Jacob Lake, AZ. Hardwood litter. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching.

* **Lime Peak**, Tucson District, Arizona State. Eleven miles northeast of Benson, AZ. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with running and backing fire. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Durfee**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Incident is being managed for resource benefit objectives. Twelve miles north of Forest Lakes, AZ. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Pierce Mountain**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Incident is being managed for resource benefit objectives. Nine miles northeast of McNary, AZ. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Chivato**, Albuquerque Field Office, BLM. Confine/contain management strategy. Forty-five miles northeast of Grants, NM. Timber and hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching. 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
Rim	AZ	TNF	900	484	20	8/15	178	61	6	5	2	0	260K	FS
Bear Canyon	AZ	SCA	6,016	---	N/A	N/A	220	---	7	0	3	0	1.1M	BIA
* Anderson	AZ	KNF	1,000	---	N/A	N/A	96	---	3	4	0	0	NR	FS
* Ridge	AZ	KNF	221	---	75	8/4	142	---	10	41	7	0	200K	FS
* Lime Peak	AZ	A3S	600	---	N/A	N/A	80	---	3	2	0	0	25K	ST

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
* Durfee	AZ	ASF	350	---	N/A	N/A	12	---	0	3	0	0	32K	FS
* Pierce Mountain	AZ	ASF	150	---	N/A	N/A	3	---	0	0	0	0	50K	FS
* Chivato	NM	ABD	150	---	N/A	N/A	6	---	0	0	0	0	10K	BLM

Western Great Basin Area (PL 3)

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

Wildcat, Carson City Field Office, BLM. Started on BIA land sixty miles northeast of Reno, NV. Brush and grass. Smoldering and creeping.

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
Wildcat	NV	CCD	2,300	1,100	15	8/4	204	66	8	1	3	0	NR	BIA

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 6
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 2

* **Allred**, Moffat County FD. Fifteen miles west of Maybell, CO. Pinyon pine, juniper and sage. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting.

Spring Creek, Rio Blanco County FD. Started on BLM land ten miles southeast of Rangely, CO. Timber, brush and grass. No new information.

* **Bradfield**, San Juan NF. Confine/contain management strategy. Eight miles west of Pleasant View, CO. Pinyon pine, juniper, oak brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. 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
* Allred	CO	MFX	750	---	0	8/7	76	---	2	10	0	0	NR	CNTY
Spring Creek	CO	RBX	1,340	---	90	UNK	10	---	0	2	0	0	598K	BLM
* Bradfield	CO	SJF	106	---	25	UNK	23	---	1	0	0	0	230K	FS

Southern Area (PL 1)

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

2009 Summer Wildfire Response, Texas Forest Service. Texas IMT 2 (Bennett). IMT is supporting multiple fires in the state of Texas. Minimal fire activity.

Carolina Bay, National Forests in North Carolina. Eight miles south of Havelock, NC. Chaparral. Minimal fire activity. 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
2009 Summer Wildfire Response	TX	TXS	7,014	41	0	UNK	305	2	0	4	3	13	5.5M	ST
Carolina Bay	NC	NCF	2,660	0	80	UNK	10	-3	0	5	1	0	290K	FS
Nails	TX	TXS	500	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 20
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

* **Spook**, Nez Perce NF. Confine/contain management strategy. Eighteen miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with group tree torching. 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
* Spook	ID	NPF	100	---	N/A	N/A	8	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 34
 New large fires: 1
 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
* Paddock	ID	BOD	525	---	100	---	21	---	0	4	0	0	NR	BLM

BOD – Boise District, BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered wet thunderstorms are expected today over portions of northern California, the Pacific Northwest, Idaho and Montana. It will be windy over the Sierras and Great Basin along with widely scattered mostly dry thunderstorms. Some thunderstorms are expected in the Southwest. The Alaska interior will be hot and dry along with gusty winds over the Alaska Range.

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



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

No Communication Link with Crew Members, Supervisors & Adjoining Forces

Watchout Situation #7 is a danger that must be mitigated by maintaining good communications while working on fires. Firefighters must constantly ask themselves the following questions as situations change on the fireline:

- Can communications be established?
 - Talk about how communications are set up on fires.
 - Review situations where communications were a problem and what was done to fix the problem.

- Is the communication triangle complete?
 - Review the communication triangle and where it comes up in the "10 Standard Fire Orders" and the "18 Watchout Situations."
 - Discuss ways that firefighters can maintain the communication triangle on the fireline.

- Reduce the risks
 - If the situation is complex, wait until communications are in place.
 - Talk about the fires where crews had to leave the line, didn't go out on the line, or something negative happened because communications were inadequate. Discuss what was done to establish communications.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					900		900
Northwest	FIRES	2	8		1	11	26	48
	ACRES	2	96		0	5	585	688
Northern California	FIRES	1				67	16	84
	ACRES	0				1,180	278	1,458
Southern California	FIRES					34	2	36
	ACRES					6	174	180
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	2		1	8	7	20
	ACRES	0	10		0	1	3	14
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		18			8	8	34
	ACRES		653			387	150	1,190
Western Great Basin	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		1,100					1,100
Southwest	FIRES	17	2			1	13	33
	ACRES	1,649	115			600	724	3,088
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1		1	1	3	6
	ACRES		751		0	0	3	754
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					5		5
TOTAL	FIRES	22	31	0	3	138	75	269
	ACRES	1,651	2,725	0	0	3,084	1,917	9,377

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	47	40	20	353	20	481
	ACRES	1	600,202	634,612	83,062	1,060,695	8	2,378,580
Northwest	FIRES	309	186	3	65	579	684	1,826
	ACRES	2,391	2,750	12	659	5,044	3,385	14,241
Northern California	FIRES	90	57	3	19	1,764	582	2,515
	ACRES	85	1,531	4	2	9,686	10,840	22,148
Southern California	FIRES	31	128	11	19	2,186	403	2,778
	ACRES	82	915	24	746	9,037	11,189	21,993
Northern Rockies	FIRES	574	63	12	16	447	484	1,596
	ACRES	1,637	1,012	392	2	16,151	3,119	22,313
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	34	340	3	23	299	216	915
	ACRES	72	7,677	186	2,119	1,727	10,253	22,034
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	294	9	9	79	101	502
	ACRES	1,340	17,193	150	20	338	252	19,293
Southwest	FIRES	621	239	8	54	775	877	2,574
	ACRES	27,881	70,490	148	3,856	283,146	86,867	472,388
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	393	298	15	15	491	190	1,402
	ACRES	1,645	4,490	533	64	68,107	531	75,370
Eastern Area	FIRES	425		30	27	11,536	522	12,540
	ACRES	1,239		809	110	103,450	6,599	112,207
Southern Area	FIRES	298		195	53	29,818	552	30,916
	ACRES	35,259		43,072	43,957	871,088	26,985	1,020,361
TOTAL	FIRES	2,786	1,652	329	320	48,327	4,631	58,045
	ACRES	71,632	706,260	679,942	134,597	2,428,469	160,028	4,180,928

Ten Year Average Fires	53,556
Ten Year Average Acres	4,096,565

*** 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	1						1
	ACRES	89						89
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			1		1		2
	ACRES			133		820		953
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	1	0	1	0	3
	ACRES	89	0	133	0	820	0	1,042

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	152	286
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,582	1,450	2,891	7,260	40,922
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	5	1	115	137
	ACRES		564	748	1,073	195	8,627	11,207
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	17	77	2	24	182	325
	ACRES	2,062	1,329	18,408	345	2,241	17,479	41,864
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	21	4	7	22	54	109
	ACRES	15	3,986	1,225	282	180	13,804	19,492
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2			5	15
	ACRES		1,812	62			219	2,093
Southwest	FIRES	25	29	3	8		216	281
	ACRES	1,739	54,390	501	1,099		108,551	166,280
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	65	46	110	10	45	121	397
	ACRES	7,304	4,757	18,952	5,851	1,564	28,302	66,730
Eastern Area	FIRES	67		431	43	1,787	174	2,502
	ACRES	72,214		64,365	9,201	82,079	46,156	274,015
Southern Area	FIRES	5		257	80	806	1,071	2,219
	ACRES	2,370		130,585	90,752	300,035	979,154	1,502,896
TOTAL	FIRES	227	251	932	203	2,739	2,178	6,530
	ACRES	93,050	77,299	265,496	110,084	392,754	1,221,913	2,160,596

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	47	8,647	1,810	67,195
Yukon Territory	0	57,040	103	153,561
Alberta	4	0	1,263	64,214
Northwest Territory	1	2	29	999
Saskatchewan	0	0	463	37,734
Manitoba	0	0	130	2,437
Ontario	1	0	315	20,620
Quebec	1	297	415	122,525
Newfoundland	0	0	163	52,593
New Brunswick	0	0	156	233
Nova Scotia	1	0	151	935
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	0	103	37,724
Total	56	65,986	5,101	560,768

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

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