

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, September 21, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (81 new fires)
 New large fires: 0 (*)
 Large fires contained: 2
 Uncontained large fires : ** 4
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Nationally, there are 68 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 2)

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

Boze, Umpqua NF. NIMO (Cable). Nine miles southwest of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

Tumblebug Complex, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Ensley). Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Running fire with single tree torching. 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
Boze	OR	UPF	1,900	200	35	10/1	453	101	17	16	5	0	2.5M	FS
Tumblebug Complex	OR	WIF	300	0	10	9/26	453	0	12	9	7	0	2.2M	FS
Milepost 38	WA	COA	1,923	0	100	---	33	-215	1	1	0	0	900K	BIA

COA – Colville Agency, BIA

Northern California Area (PL 2)

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

Silver, Plumas NF. IMT 2 (Swartzlander). Two miles northwest of Meadow Valley, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened. Evacuations and 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
Silver	CA	PNF	300	150	80	9/21	310	10	14	25	6	0	400K	FS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 29
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Station, Angeles NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Four miles north of La Canada, CA. Chaparral. Creeping fire.

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
Station	CA	ANF	160,557	0	93	9/22	788	39	16	27	8	209	85M	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 14
 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
Highway 46	ID	TFD	1,233	-267	100	---	25	-20	0	7	1	0	20K	BLM

TFD – Twin Falls District, BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: A strong high pressure ridge building over the West will produce gusty north to east winds over portions of northern California and Oregon today and Tuesday. Gusty offshore winds are expected to start in southern California on Tuesday. The combination of winds, hot temperatures and very low humidity will elevate fire potential in these areas. Most of the rest of the West will have dry weather.

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



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

Smoke Exposure

Exposure to smoke during fire operations can be a significant safety concern. Research has shown that smoke exposure on prescribed fires, especially in the holding and ignition positions, often exceeds that on wildfires. There are many precautions that can be taken to reduce personnel exposure to smoke.

- Planning: Smoke exposure needs to be considered when planning suppression tactics and prescribed fires. Simple actions can mitigate smoke exposures, such as:
 - Altering line locations can have a significant impact on smoke exposure.
 - Placing firelines in areas of lighter fuels or moving lines to roads or other barriers that will require less holding, patrol and mopup will significantly reduce the smoke exposure to personnel.
 - Use flanking attack as opposed to head attack (where appropriate) in heavy smoke situations.
 - Check fire behavior forecasts for smoke and inversion potential.
 - In heavy smoke, give up acres to gain control.

- Implementation: Many techniques can help reduce the exposure of personnel to heavy smoke, such as:
 - Rotating people out of the heaviest smoke area may be the single most effective method.
 - Locate camps and incident command posts in areas that are not prone to inversions.
 - Minimize snag falling, consistent with safety concerns, to avoid putting heavy fuels on the ground that will require mopup.
 - Changing firing patterns and preburning (black lining) during less severe conditions can greatly reduce exposure to smoke.
 - The use of retardant, foam or sprinklers can also significantly reduce the workload and exposure time for holding crews.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						2	2
Northern California	FIRES	6				7	2	15
	ACRES	8				0	150	158
Southern California	FIRES				0	26	3	29
	ACRES				10	236	5	251
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2					3	5
	ACRES	0					1,390	1,390
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		6		0	4	4	14
	ACRES		1,233		2	0	1	1,236
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	2				1	6	9
	ACRES	0				1	0	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		1			1		2
Eastern Area	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					2		2
TOTAL	FIRES	10	7	0	0	44	20	81
	ACRES	8	1,234	0	12	241	1,548	3,043

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	50	41	21	376	26	515
	ACRES	1	759,081	753,545	101,312	1,321,305	10	2,935,254
Northwest	FIRES	318	303	25	74	1,002	1,286	3,008
	ACRES	5,713	27,028	2,352	2,220	55,670	26,711	119,694
Northern California	FIRES	119	62	3	37	2,283	847	3,351
	ACRES	126	1,533	4	1,754	59,817	35,405	98,639
Southern California	FIRES	42	177	15	32	3,019	529	3,814
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	44	10,228	22,764	261,639	300,472
Northern Rockies	FIRES	733	120	17	31	604	786	2,291
	ACRES	2,558	1,017	397	193	23,258	12,302	39,725
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	47	528	4	29	565	543	1,716
	ACRES	105	59,973	226	2,225	19,657	38,812	120,998
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	390	9	10	106	129	654
	ACRES	2,440	28,983	150	20	297	282	32,172
Southwest	FIRES	791	258	10	63	1,878	1,280	4,280
	ACRES	46,682	89,391	3,843	8,010	288,098	136,123	572,147
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	576	411	19	25	675	373	2,079
	ACRES	2,714	5,817	534	63	75,867	7,943	92,938
Eastern Area	FIRES	436		30	29	12,745	563	13,803
	ACRES	1,240		809	110	112,520	6,699	121,378
Southern Area	FIRES	298		234	54	33,468	571	34,625
	ACRES	35,259		44,205	44,166	973,088	30,994	1,127,712
TOTAL	FIRES	3,371	2,299	407	405	56,721	6,933	70,136
	ACRES	98,427	977,031	806,109	170,301	2,952,341	556,920	5,561,129

Ten Year Average Fires	66,647
Ten Year Average Acres	6,209,700

*** 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					0
	ACRES		1,500					1,500
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						15	15
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	139					50	189
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	139	1,500	0	0	0	65	1,704

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					3,338	8	3,346
Northwest	FIRES	14	116	11	4	1	78	224
	ACRES	6,132	27,599	2,827	47	1	20,733	57,339
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	22	46	20	100	230
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,585	1,450	2,512	6,398	39,684
Southern California	FIRES	1	7	9	7	1	116	141
	ACRES	1	564	748	1,248	195	8,628	11,384
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	26	85	2	26	205	367
	ACRES	2,062	4,321	21,428	345	2,255	23,411	53,822
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	4	7	23	86	144
	ACRES	8	11,320	1,225	282	190	15,793	28,818
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2			6	11
	ACRES		1,452	62			859	2,373
Southwest	FIRES	40	31	3	4		229	307
	ACRES	9,485	50,780	501	530		112,827	174,123
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	70	33	129	14	46	128	420
	ACRES	7,661	3,209	20,665	7,678	1,580	29,231	70,024
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		497	47	2,582	188	3,385
	ACRES	72,342		69,630	9,226	149,929	51,120	352,247
Southern Area	FIRES	6		284	85	816	1,109	2,300
	ACRES	2,450		150,289	92,929	299,369	1,002,513	1,547,550
TOTAL	FIRES	252	255	1,046	216	3,524	2,246	7,539
	ACRES	100,365	101,760	293,960	113,735	459,369	1,271,521	2,340,710

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	84	1,916	3,012	212,547
Yukon Territory	0	0	118	294,907
Alberta	34	0	1,506	64,266
Northwest Territory	0	0	41	1,955
Saskatchewan	10	13	505	37,776
Manitoba	4	8	158	2,813
Ontario	14	27	352	20,650
Quebec	16	0	467	122,685
Newfoundland	5	1	176	52,593
New Brunswick	3	2	183	248
Nova Scotia	6	2	166	931
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	128	36,957
Total	176	1,968	6,812	848,329

***** CIFFC table updated weekly *****

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

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