

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, September 24, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (72 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires : ** 8
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Nationally, there are 62 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: 5
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 4
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

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

Tumblebug Complex, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Ensley). Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with group-tree torching and long range spotting.

Deer Ridge, Medford Unit, Oregon DOF. Four miles northeast of Medford, OR. Timber, brush and grass. No new information.

Siskiyou, Medford Unit, Oregon DOF. Two miles southeast of Ashland, OR. Timber, brush and grass. 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
Boze	OR	UPF	9,462	2,462	10	10/15	596	54	21	17	4	0	3M	FS
Tumblebug Complex	OR	WIF	7,000	3,500	5	UNK	1,136	308	31	43	9	0	4.9M	FS
Deer Ridge	OR	711S	633	---	45	9/24	611	---	25	22	9	0	772K	ST
Siskiyou	OR	711S	190	---	85	9/24	250	---	7	26	9	4	456K	ST

Southern California Area (PL 3)

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

Guiberson, Ventura County FD. Cal Fire IMT1 (Lewin). Three miles southeast of Fillmore, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

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

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Guiberson	CA	VNC	16,400	10,400	UNK	9/26	1,831	1,107	23	214	21	2	3.4M	CNTY
Station	CA	ANF	160,557	0	94	9/24	810	-41	16	42	9	209	88M	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 5
New large fires: 2
Uncontained large fires: 2

* **Copper Creek**, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Land and Resources. Four miles east of Lincoln, MT. Timber and grass. Creeping fire with isolated torching.

* **Saddle Mtn 2**, Flathead Agency, BIA. Four miles west of Arlee, MT. Timber and logging slash. Active fire behavior.

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* Copper Creek	MT	SWS	109	---	45	9/25	81	---	2	7	2	0	132K	ST
* Saddle Mtn 2	MT	FHA	100	---	0	9/28	90	---	2	4	1	0	20K	BIA

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7
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
Pine	CA	LNU	300	-50	100	---	415	-211	15	6	0	0	1.7M	ST

LNU – Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire

Predictive Services Discussion: A low pressure trough approaching the Pacific Northwest will weaken strong high pressure in place and shift it further inland, bringing a more moist onshore flow to far western portions of Washington, Oregon and northern California today and diminishing gusty offshore winds across southern California. Fire potential will be temporarily reduced across the far west as a result, though no rainfall is expected and inland areas will remain very dry and warm with locally breezy conditions. Warmer and drier weather is expected Friday across the west as high pressure rebuilds.

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



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

Initial Attack Fire Sizeup/Safety

Having a good sizeup is important in order to give both the Incident Commander (IC) and fire management a good idea of what problems exist and what resources may be needed for effective firefighting.

- Use the following reporting factors for sizeup. Discuss others that may be used.
 - Fire name and location
 - Terrain (slope, aspect, elevation) and position of fire on the slope
 - Size of fire
 - Fuel type, anticipated control problems, and spread potential
 - Values threatened
 - Weather conditions (wind speed and direction)
 - Fire behavior
 - Resources on the fire and those needed
 - Estimated containment and control times
 - Cause (known, suspected, under investigation)

- After your initial sizeup of the fire and/or transition from an initial attack IC, answer the following questions. Repeat this analysis whenever there is a change, or predicted change, in conditions on the fire.
 - Have you sized up the fire and relayed the information to dispatch?
 - Is the observed fire weather consistent with the forecast?
 - Can you control the fire with the resources available (on the incident or soon to be on the incident) and under the expected conditions?
 - Have you developed a plan to attack the fire (direct or indirect, anchor points, escape routes, head or flank attack, priority areas); and have you communicated this information to all personnel assigned to the incident, including new arrivals?
 - Are lookouts in place or can you see all of the fire area?
 - Can you communicate with everyone on the fire and with dispatch?
 - Are escape routes and safety zones established? If you are using the black, is it completely burned and without a reburn potential?
 - Are safety and the standard fire orders being followed?
 - Do you have a complete list of what resources have been ordered for the fire?
 - Will you control the fire before the next operational period; and if you won't, or the size of the organization exceeds the IC's capability to manage, have you informed the agency Fire Management Officer?

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1			3	1	5
	ACRES		5			99	0	104
Northern California	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					4		4
Southern California	FIRES		1		0	25	5	31
	ACRES		0		15	205	7	227
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1	2	2	5
	ACRES				4	0	155	159
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			2	2	6
	ACRES		472			184	26	682
Western Great Basin	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				2			2
Southwest	FIRES	3					6	9
	ACRES	15					12	27
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					18		18
TOTAL	FIRES	3	4	0	2	45	18	72
	ACRES	15	477	0	21	510	201	1,224

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	50	41	21	377	26	516
	ACRES	1	763,843	753,545	101,189	1,321,300	10	2,939,888
Northwest	FIRES	323	307	25	74	1,009	1,342	3,080
	ACRES	5,773	27,033	2,352	2,220	55,799	34,057	127,234
Northern California	FIRES	149	62	3	37	2,458	849	3,558
	ACRES	126	1,533	4	1,754	60,439	35,405	99,261
Southern California	FIRES	42	178	16	32	3,065	538	3,871
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	45	10,265	23,153	261,646	300,906
Northern Rockies	FIRES	737	120	17	34	610	799	2,317
	ACRES	2,558	1,017	397	175	23,339	12,707	40,193
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	48	528	4	28	579	535	1,722
	ACRES	106	61,231	226	2,225	19,978	38,864	122,630
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	394	9	11	108	132	664
	ACRES	2,440	28,995	150	22	289	284	32,180
Southwest	FIRES	796	256	10	63	1,876	1,295	4,296
	ACRES	46,699	89,391	3,843	8,010	288,093	136,145	572,181
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	556	417	19	25	674	379	2,070
	ACRES	2,579	9,191	534	67	72,392	7,951	92,714
Eastern Area	FIRES	438		30	29	12,789	567	13,853
	ACRES	1,241		809	110	112,953	6,701	121,814
Southern Area	FIRES	298		234	54	33,504	572	34,662
	ACRES	35,259		44,205	44,166	973,207	30,994	1,127,831
TOTAL	FIRES	3,398	2,312	408	408	57,049	7,034	70,609
	ACRES	98,371	986,442	806,110	170,203	2,950,942	564,764	5,576,832

Ten Year Average Fires	66,951
Ten Year Average Acres	6,202,685

*** 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						700	700
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						100	100
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				0	1
	ACRES		1				22	23
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	0	0	2	4
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	0	822	823

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					3,338	78	3,416
Northwest	FIRES	14	118	14	4	1	78	229
	ACRES	6,132	31,099	2,924	47	1	23,233	63,436
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	27	208	371
	ACRES	2,062	4,321	21,428	345	2,295	25,141	55,592
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	4	7	23	86	144
	ACRES	8	11,320	1,225	282	201	15,893	28,929
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	2			6	12
	ACRES		1,452	62			859	2,373
Southwest	FIRES	40	23	3	4		235	305
	ACRES	9,485	46,228	501	530		120,276	177,020
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	70	38	130	14	48	131	431
	ACRES	7,661	4,171	20,681	7,678	1,662	29,319	71,172
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		497	47	2,588	272	3,475
	ACRES	72,342		69,630	9,226	150,173	46,610	347,981
Southern Area	FIRES	6		284	85	816	1,110	2,301
	ACRES	2,450		150,289	92,929	299,369	1,003,882	1,548,919
TOTAL	FIRES	252	255	1,050	216	3,533	2,343	7,649
	ACRES	100,365	101,670	294,073	113,735	459,746	1,280,317	2,349,906

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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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