

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, September 24, 2010 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (183 new fires)
 New large fires: 1 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 3
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Nationally, there are 80 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

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

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 9
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Machine Gun, Wasatch Front Area, Utah DOF. Two miles south of Herriman, UT. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Twitchell Canyon, Fishlake NF. IMT 2 (Whalen). Seven miles east of Manderfield, UT. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Numerous structures and a major power corridor 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
Machine Gun	UT	NWS	4,326	0	90	9/26	188	-46	5	6	2	3	3.8M	ST
Twitchell Canyon	UT	FIF	38,676	32	N/A	N/A	605	57	15	27	5	2	10.5M	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires: 2
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Windmill, Uinta County. Ten miles east of Evanston, WY. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. 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
Windmill	WY	UIX	5,260	0	95	UNK	4	-19	0	2	0	0	165K	CNTY

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 134
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Nimrod, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Three miles southeast of Casa, AR. Timber. No new information received.

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Nimrod	AR	ARS	400	---	50	UNK	6	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
* East Camden	AR	ARS	100	---	100	---	10	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST

Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

Pat Creek, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Fifteen miles north of Stevens Village, AK. Black spruce and tundra. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Tchulkade Lake, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on FWS land thirty-four miles northeast of Circle City, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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Pat Creek	AK	UYD	66,130	---	N/A	N/A	5	---	0	0	0	0	0	BLM
Tchulkade Lake	AK	UYD	13,728	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	0	FWS

Predictive Services Discussion: Warm and dry conditions will develop across much of the West with gusty winds across portions of Montana and Wyoming. A large low pressure system moving across the Great Lakes will create strong winds across Great Lakes and Midwest. Dry and windy conditions will develop ahead of the cold front and extend into the Mid-Atlantic states.

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



Today's discussion is from the Aviation Category.

HELICOPTER LANDING AREA SAFETY

The following points should be considered when operating around an unimproved landing site:

- Always wear your personal protective equipment (PPE) when working around an operating helicopter. (Eye, hearing, head)
- Always get the approval of a flight crewmember or the pilot before approaching an operating helicopter.
- Only approach and depart a helicopter as directed, in a slightly crouched position, and in full view of a crewmember. Keep in pilot's field of vision at all times.
- Never go near the tail of helicopters.
- When loading helicopters in uneven terrain, always approach and depart from the down slope (lower) side and do not hold equipment overhead..
- Remove or secure loose articles prior to working around an operating helicopter.
- Be aware of the dust abatement conditions of the landing area, as blowing dust, sand, or rocks caused by the helicopter's rotor wash can be hazardous.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#), pgs 52, 54,55

[Fireline Handbook](#)

[Interagency Helicopter Operations Guide \(IHOG\)](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1				4		5
	ACRES	0				2		2
Northern California	FIRES					10	4	14
	ACRES					11	0	11
Southern California	FIRES		2		0	11	2	15
	ACRES		0		109	5	56	170
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3			1	5	9
	ACRES		1			0	14,991	14,992
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				0	1
	ACRES		1				142	143
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						877	877
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	0				1	2
	ACRES	0	1				3	4
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					6		6
Southern Area	FIRES			1		131	2	134
	ACRES			10		330	21	361
TOTAL	FIRES	2	6	1	0	158	16	183
	ACRES	0	3	10	109	354	16,090	16,566

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	75	67	53	448	16	660
	ACRES	103	292,236	142,932	110,724	563,608	10	1,109,613
Northwest	FIRES	170	226	19	27	538	1,127	2,107
	ACRES	34,756	19,784	3,406	4,942	33,483	8,520	104,891
Northern California	FIRES	62	123		13	1,721	457	2,376
	ACRES	50	12,222		8	18,582	2,883	33,745
Southern California	FIRES	18	208	5	36	2,294	449	3,010
	ACRES	186	12,911	42	10,580	25,410	31,937	81,066
Northern Rockies	FIRES	521	73	7	16	387	573	1,577
	ACRES	4,443	10,923	17,987	1,922	15,236	13,278	63,789
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	43	556	3	30	550	510	1,692
	ACRES	12,382	409,587	610	5,248	171,342	62,689	661,858
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	223	9	16	68	56	375
	ACRES	0	19,244	35	10	3,159	1,285	23,733
Southwest	FIRES	546	220	8	64	462	964	2,264
	ACRES	7,718	19,255	38	24,855	45,544	80,306	177,716
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	662	447	9	40	501	432	2,091
	ACRES	3,212	11,389	3,064	7,349	63,747	8,310	97,071
Eastern Area	FIRES	636		40	25	10,636	528	11,865
	ACRES	2,709		4,883	32	86,238	4,546	98,408
Southern Area	FIRES	544		59	15	19,730	586	20,934
	ACRES	33,781		6,678	188	249,369	22,510	312,526
TOTAL	FIRES	3,206	2,151	226	335	37,335	5,698	48,951
	ACRES	99,340	807,551	179,675	165,858	1,275,718	236,274	2,764,416

Ten Year Average Fires	63,404
Ten Year Average Acres	5,866,256

*** 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						2	2
	ACRES						31	31
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						69	69
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						30	30
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	0					85	85
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		50			85		135
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						2,020	2,020
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						30	30
Eastern Area	FIRES				4			4
	ACRES				83			83
Southern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					50	2,387	2,437
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	0	4	2	8	16
	ACRES	0	50	0	83	135	4,652	4,920

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					12	2	14
	ACRES					21,502	377	21,879
Northwest	FIRES	12	49	13	1		140	215
	ACRES	6,781	9,216	2,113	11		20,954	39,075
Northern California	FIRES	1	12	28	21	29	236	327
	ACRES	10	771	22,373	1,231	4,042	10,252	38,679
Southern California	FIRES		9	11	7	20	63	110
	ACRES		1,612	1,525	547	2,506	1,969	8,159
Northern Rockies	FIRES	100	35	107	8	29	200	479
	ACRES	4,122	5,465	26,666	1,240	924	18,522	56,939
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	19	6	9	29	56	120
	ACRES	0	4,710	2,745	775	2,268	19,921	30,419
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	2	4	2	8	23
	ACRES		1,144	1,395	846	145	638	4,168
Southwest	FIRES	32	20	12	10		138	212
	ACRES	2,409	23,116	8,870	2,146		69,349	105,890
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	45	71	119	21	47	144	447
	ACRES	5,942	17,081	27,738	4,831	6,215	21,534	83,341
Eastern Area	FIRES	48		372	49	1,547	189	2,205
	ACRES	62,797		56,809	6,204	92,646	59,595	278,051
Southern Area	FIRES	20		193	64	8,959	1,116	10,352
	ACRES	3,175		87,468	71,462	267,571	1,051,381	1,481,057
TOTAL	FIRES	259	222	863	194	10,674	2,292	14,504
	ACRES	85,236	63,115	237,702	89,293	397,819	1,274,492	2,147,657

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

Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	1	17,493	1,598	339,889
Yukon Territory	0	0	86	155,862
Alberta	1	26	1,742	83,421
Northwest Territory	0	22,609	224	343,418
Saskatchewan	0	45,708	570	1,814,349
Manitoba	0	0	569	150,179
Ontario	4	-211	899	14,777
Quebec	5	1	721	352,628
Newfoundland	2	0	57	817
New Brunswick	2	-1	175	149
Nova Scotia	3	24	296	485
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	1	0	102	6,173
Total	19	85,649	7,041	3,262,151

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