

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, September 15, 2011 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 4**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (226 new fires)
New large fires:	5 (*)
Large fires contained:	8
Uncontained large fires: **	28
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	13

Nationally, there are 78 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.

Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard) have been activated and will operate from Boise, Idaho. Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 302<sup>nd</sup> Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve), and two MAFFS from the 145<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard) and support personnel have been activated and will operate from Austin, Texas.

**Southern Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	75
New large fires:	5
Uncontained large fires:	20
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3

NIMO (Kleinman) is assigned to provide support to existing and new fires in Texas.

**Northeast Texas Fire Complex** (three fires), Texas Forest Service. IMT 1 (Morcom). Four miles southwest of Linden, TX. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**Bastrop County Complex** (two fires), Texas Forest Service. IMT 1 (Wilder). Six miles northeast of Bastrop, TX. Southern rough. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect. No further information received.

\* **Southeast Texas Fire Complex**, Texas Forest Service. IMT 1 (Opliger). Includes previously reported Riley Road incident. Four miles northeast of Conroe, TX. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**101 Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. Eight miles west of Palo Pinto, TX. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

**Gruber**, Oklahoma DOF. Three miles northwest of Braggs, OK. Hardwood litter. No new information.

**592**, Texas Forest Service. Three miles northeast of Gray, TX. Timber. No further information received.

**Diana**, Texas Forest Service. Four miles west of Diana, TX. Timber. No new information.

\* **Dark Hollow Road**, Texas Forest Service. Five miles northwest of Newport, TX. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

\* **George Bush Park**, Texas Forest Service. Five miles east of Cinco Ranch, TX. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

**Marshall**. Texas Forest Service. Seven miles west of Waskom, TX. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened.

**Boot Walker**, Texas Forest Service. Six miles east of Jefferson, TX. Timber. No new information.

**899**, Texas Forest Service. Eleven miles east of Trinity, TX. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

**Three Horses**, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. Five miles north of Weleetka, OK. Hardwood Litter. No new information.

**Union Grove**, Texas Forest Service. Five miles northeast of Salado, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior.

\* **898**, Texas Forest Service. Eight miles southeast of Bedia, TX. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

\* **N593**, Texas Forest Service. One mile south of Rhonesboro, TX. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

**Crow Hollow**, Oklahoma DOF. Ten miles northwest of Stilwell, OK. Logging slash. 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
Northeast Texas Fire Complex	TX	TXS	47,547	0	85	9/16	292	61	5	38	3	86	943K	ST
Bastrop County Complex	TX	TXS	34,068	0	75	UNK	640	-131	5	79	4	1,554	6.1M	ST
* Southeast Texas Fire Complex	TX	TXS	20,507	---	76	UNK	273	---	5	19	0	76	158K	ST
101 Ranch	TX	TXS	6,555	0	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	39	962K	ST
Gruber	OK	OKS	3,940	---	75	9/16	12	---	0	2	0	0	50K	ST
592	TX	TXS	2,500	2,200	0	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Diana	TX	TXS	2,324	---	70	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	2	NR	ST
* Dark Hollow Road	TX	TXS	2,000	---	70	UNK	20	---	0	2	1	0	NR	ST
* George Bush Park	TX	TXS	1,500	---	40	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Marshall	TX	TXS	1,465	665	0	UNK	0	-14	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Boot Walker	TX	TXS	1,047	---	80	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	1	NR	ST
899	TX	TXS	832	532	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Three Horses	OK	OMA	659	---	95	UNK	4	---	0	1	0	0	20K	BIA
Union Grove	TX	TXS	500	0	75	UNK	50	9	1	4	0	0	NR	ST
* 898	TX	TXS	480	---	75	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* N593	TX	TXS	350	---	0	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	14	NR	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
Crow Hollow	OK	OKS	247	---	70	9/16	23	---	0	11	0	0	NR	ST
841 Arbor	TX	TXS	4,931	1,931	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	19	NR	ST
Hat on Road	TX	TXS	4,243	1,743	100	---	25	-10	0	4	0	0	NR	ST
Dam	TX	TXS	523	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	23	NR	ST
No Win	OK	OKS	400	0	100	---	6	0	0	3	0	0	1K	ST
Ludlow 2	OK	OKS	350	0	100	---	1	0	0	1	0	0	1K	ST

### **Northwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires:	20
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	3
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

**Dollar Lake**, Mt. Hood NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Sixteen miles south of Hood River, OR. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

**Garden**, Lakeview District, BLM. IMT 2 (Smith). Eight miles north of Fort Rock, OR. Grass. Single tree torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Shadow Lake**, Deschutes NF. NIMO (Gage). Fifteen miles west of Sisters, OR. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Evacuations in effect.

**Umpqua Complex** (three fires), Umpqua NF. IMT 2 (Walker). Twenty miles southeast of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber litter. Moderate fire activity.

**Mother Lode**, Mt Hood NF. IMT 2 (Kidd). Ten miles northwest of Detroit, OR. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

**Cactus Mountain**, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (West) back to local unit will occur today. Seventeen miles northeast of Imnaha, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Smoldering.

**High Cascades Complex**, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Goff) back to local unit will occur tomorrow. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Monastery Complex**, Washington DNR. Transfer of command from Washington IMT 2 (LaFave) back to local unit will occur today. Twelve miles northeast of Goldendale, WA. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

**Big Hump**, Olympic NF. Ten miles west of Brinnon, WA. Timber. 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
Dollar Lake	OR	MHF	6,273	24	N/A	N/A	881	24	24	35	11	0	10.3M	FS
Garden	OR	LAD	6,100	-900	67	9/20	195	161	4	10	3	0	1.3M	BLM

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
Shadow Lake	OR	DEF	10,000	0	N/A	N/A	594	-69	14	16	4	0	8.3M	FS
Umpqua Complex	OR	UPF	849	85	N/A	N/A	748	102	27	23	7	0	2.2M	FS
Mother Lode	OR	MHF	2,152	89	N/A	N/A	184	-1	4	2	3	0	1.75M	FS
Cactus Mountain	OR	WWF	8,350	0	N/A	N/A	122	-84	1	2	3	0	1.8M	FS
High Cascades Complex	OR	WSA	108,154	0	95	9/16	616	-66	9	17	2	3	27.6M	BIA
Monastery Complex	WA	SES	3,626	0	90	9/21	300	-421	8	28	0	106	4.8M	ST
Big Hump	WA	OLF	1,250	30	N/A	N/A	19	-5	0	0	1	0	870K	FS
Chicken Hill	OR	WWF	119	0	100	---	260	0	7	9	0	0	1.3M	FS

### Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires:	51
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Comanche**, Kern County FD. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Lawshe). Eight miles southeast of Arvin, CA. Chaparral and grass. Smoldering.

**Breckenridge Complex**, Kern County FD. IMT 2 (Cooper). Ten miles northeast of Bakersfield, CA. Brush. Moderate fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**John**, San Bernardino Unit, Cal Fire. Two miles south of Big Pine, CA. Brush. Minimal 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
Comanche	CA	KRN	29,338	0	90	9/16	1,001	-437	28	77	0	0	6.2M	CNTY
Breckenridge Complex	CA	KRN	26,196	-1,207	70	9/17	1,038	112	32	59	7	0	4M	CNTY
John	CA	BDU	3,000	1,750	65	9/16	441	287	27	28	0	0	650K	ST
TCU September Lightning	CA	TCU	1,135	-15	100	---	205	0	15	22	1	0	200K	ST
Keene Complex	CA	KRN	10,470	0	100	---	933	-748	33	45	1	0	8M	CNTY

TCU – Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit, Cal Fire

### **Eastern Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 3  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 0  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
Type 2 IMT's committed: 1

**Pagami Creek**, Superior NF. Transfer of command from Minnesota IMT 2 (Peterson) to IMT 1 (Turman) will occur today. Thirteen miles northeast of Ely, MN. Timber and grass. Smoldering. Residences threatened. Evacuations 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
Pagami Creek	MN	SUF	100,000	0	N/A	N/A	325	105	8	5	1	2	1.8M	FS

### **Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3 )**

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

**Salt**, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman) and IMT 2 (Sommer). Sixteen miles southwest of Salmon, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior. Residences 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
Salt	ID	SCF	20,418	134	20	UNK	302	-26	3	17	5	0	11.8M	FS

### **Northern Rockies Area (PL 3 )**

New fires: 3  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

**Forty One Complex** (three fires), Bitterroot NF. IMT 1 (Poncin). Eight miles east of Hamilton, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

**Saddle Complex – Bitterroot Branch**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 2 (Cook). Thirty miles southwest of Darby, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

**Birthday**, Idaho Panhandle NF. IMT 2 (Kusicko). Twenty-one miles northwest of Bonners Ferry, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior.

**Stewart**, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. IMT 2 (Heintz). Eight miles southeast of Wisdom, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior.

**Copper Mountain**, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. IMT 2 (McBratney). Twenty-seven miles east of Phillipsburg, MT. Timber litter. Structures threatened. 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
Forty One Complex	MT	BRF	11,060	950	N/A	N/A	374	9	10	13	3	0	3.4M	FS
Saddle Complex-Bitterroot Branch	MT	BRF	15,588	172	N/A	N/A	139	1	3	6	3	0	3.9M	FS
Birthday	ID	IPF	628	0	0	9/30	66	1	1	0	3	0	217K	FS
Stewart	MT	BDF	2,313	100	N/A	N/A	93	-1	2	0	2	0	806K	FS
Copper Mountain	MT	BDF	1,067	0	N/A	N/A	64	0	1	1	1	0	860K	FS

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Strong surface high pressure will dominate the eastern two-thirds of the country, bringing cool and dry weather to the region. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop across Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and West Texas. Light rain will develop in the High Plains. A cold front will move into the Northwest, bringing showers and a few thunderstorms to Oregon, Washington, northern Idaho and western Montana.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



Today's discussion is from the  
Miscellaneous Category.



**Scenarios are situations that can arise on a Wildland Fire or Aviation incident and are meant to add a realistic setting for the application of Today's Safety Discussion.**

### Potentially Violent Personal Encounters

Firefighters need to be aware of the potential for personal violence directed against them while they are engaged in fire operations and be alert to the warning signs during personal encounters with individuals. They also need to be aware of potential criminal activity (e.g., illegal dumping on public lands, clandestine drug labs, marijuana cultivation, etc.) in remote areas of public lands, and be prepared to leave the area immediately as persons engaged in such criminal activity can be hostile and violent if discovered.

- If a firefighter meets a member of the public who is hostile, the employee should:
  - be polite and non-threatening,
  - do not try to reason with potentially violent individuals,
  - leave the area as soon as possible,
  - report the incident to their supervisor, dispatch and law enforcement authorities.
  
- The vast majority of public land users are courteous and friendly, and want to use public lands properly and legally. Most encounters will be friendly and educational to both parties. Firefighters should be aware of the fact that there are exceptions to this rule, and should cultivate a situational awareness when they are in the field.
  
- If a firefighter feels at all uneasy or uncertain about a situation, they should not be embarrassed to leave the area. Firefighter safety and health are always primary considerations on the job.
  
- **Note:** It is unlawful for anyone to physically or verbally abuse a Federal employee who is acting within the scope of their duties—notify law enforcement at once if either occurs.

#### References:

[Safety and Health for Field Operations Manual, BLM--1112-2](#)

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		9				11	20
	ACRES		8,400				327	8,727
Northern California	FIRES				3	25	20	48
	ACRES				0	15	28	43
Southern California	FIRES		2		1	35	13	51
	ACRES		1,500		0	506	7	2,013
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1	2	0	3
	ACRES				0	167	1,668	1,835
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1	5	6
	ACRES					1	961	962
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2			1		3
	ACRES		0			1		1
Southwest	FIRES		1				12	13
	ACRES		1				1	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3		4
	ACRES		0			0		0
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		2				3
	ACRES	0		0				0
Southern Area	FIRES					75		75
	ACRES					6,314		6,314
TOTAL	FIRES	1	15	2	5	142	61	226
	ACRES	0	9,901	0	0	7,004	2,992	19,897

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	26	28	17	417	9	499
	ACRES	8	47,653	36,823	7,790	199,819	2	292,095
Northwest	FIRES	214	249	9	42	445	959	1,918
	ACRES	111,642	120,412	89	284	11,189	23,291	266,907
Northern California	FIRES	74	20	5	18	1,518	338	1,973
	ACRES	67	2,476	4	2,178	7,490	6,059	18,274
Southern California	FIRES	21	315	5	34	2,977	414	3,766
	ACRES	225	3,237	3	1,072	44,801	30,078	79,416
Northern Rockies	FIRES	470	77	6	24	484	625	1,686
	ACRES	26,702	56,867	141	1,126	12,553	69,081	166,470
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	31	603	2	21	547	479	1,683
	ACRES	2,252	259,635	26	620	86,299	65,836	414,668
Western Great Basin	FIRES	16	387	12	17	162	60	654
	ACRES	3,328	76,163	778	3	21,990	374	102,636
Southwest	FIRES	868	334	13	57	993	1,294	3,559
	ACRES	34,151	108,886	5,374	21,717	633,275	1,284,434	2,087,837
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	631	404	28	39	821	427	2,350
	ACRES	7,268	20,459	3,510	2,476	291,366	62,697	387,776
Eastern Area	FIRES	342		31	23	3,974	255	4,625
	ACRES	355		2,815	100	26,556	118,651	148,477
Southern Area	FIRES	750		246	78	33,249	912	35,235
	ACRES	126,827		120,834	56,036	3,344,213	33,705	3,681,615
TOTAL	FIRES	3,419	2,415	385	370	45,587	5,772	57,948
	ACRES	312,825	695,788	170,397	93,402	4,679,551	1,694,208	7,646,171

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>61,262</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,214,668</b>

\*\*\* 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					0
	ACRES		7					7
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						5	5
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0				1	1
	ACRES		1				29	30
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	2	2
	ACRES	0	8	0	0	0	34	42

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	3	11		15
	ACRES			20	35	8,476		8,531
Northwest	FIRES	8	44	7	1		122	182
	ACRES	5,268	6,885	429	42		8,661	21,285
Northern California	FIRES	15	19	22	21		141	218
	ACRES	61	655	19,522	141		5,389	25,768
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	4	15	75	114
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,060	2,260	2,090	8,129
Northern Rockies	FIRES	39	14	46	1	16	96	212
	ACRES	1,321	900	8,389	141	211	6,610	17,572
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	18	3	2	37	27	87
	ACRES	54	9,671	1,023	678	725	7,215	19,366
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	9	16
	ACRES		121	550		64	296	1,031
Southwest	FIRES	18	27	3	4		89	141
	ACRES	1,725	20,216	1,428	46		73,263	96,678
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	34	97	18	44	100	335
	ACRES	4,916	5,947	14,784	6,940	8,538	27,537	68,662
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		350	32	850	139	1,401
	ACRES	60,283		48,465	3,899	50,063	41,435	204,145
Southern Area	FIRES	42		142	24	1,441	574	2,223
	ACRES	7,835		74,469	13,997	305,750	462,462	864,513
TOTAL	FIRES	194	170	682	110	2,416	1,372	4,944
	ACRES	81,463	45,151	171,042	26,979	376,087	634,958	1,335,680

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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	3	3	540	11,946
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	53	39,746
ALBERTA	23	10	1,042	940,055
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	14	205	431,940
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	261	339,956
MANITOBA	0	0	269	84,309
ONTARIO	20	161	1,136	627,244
QUEBEC	1	0	274	12,423
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	5	48	407
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	71	39
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	115	133
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	61	84,664
TOTALS	48	192	4,076	2,572,865

**\*\*\*CIFFC information updated weekly\*\*\***

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