

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Sunday, July 29, 2012 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (187 new fires)  
 New large fires: 9 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 8  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 29  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

\*\* 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 146<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 25  
 New large fires: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 9  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Ferris**, Rawlins Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles north of Rawlins, WY. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Region 24 Complex** (3 fires), Nebraska DOF. IMT 2 (Pechota). Two miles south of Norden, NE. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering with occasional single-tree torching. Structures threatened.

\* **Willow**, White River Field Office, BLM. Twenty-five miles southwest of Meeker, CO. Timber. Running, torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

**Longhorn Complex** (3 fires), Rosebud Agency, BIA. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Lowe) back to the local unit will occur today. Four miles northwest of St. Francis, SD. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Air Park**, Southern Ute Agency, BIA. Four miles south of Durango, CO. Juniper and brush. 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
Ferris	WY	RAD	2,200	1,400	10	8/2	230	144	9	10	2	0	300K	BLM
Region 24 Complex	NE	NES	75,872	988	90	7/30	389	-34	8	30	7	31	3M	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
* Willow	CO	WRD	100	---	5	7/31	37	---	1	2	2	0	15K	BLM
Long Horn Complex	SD	RBA	43,639	0	95	7/29	269	-42	4	23	2	4	4.6M	BIA
Air Park	CO	SUA	499	0	95	7/29	54	19	2	0	2	0	630K	BIA
Seminole	WY	RAD	3,813	0	100	---	135	-68	3	5	4	0	2.5M	BLM
* Black Bank Creek	NE	NBF	638	---	100	---	12	---	0	4	0	0	20K	FS
* Plains Valley	SD	SDS	600	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Suicide Hill	KS	KSX	1,200	200	100	---	5	-65	0	2	0	2	120K	CNTY

SDS – South Dakota, DOF

KSX – Kansas Counties

NBF – Nebraska NF

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

New fires: 48  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 5  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Chrandal Creek**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Thirty-two miles south of Darby, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity with single tree torching.

\* **Dove Tail**, Lewiston Field Office, BLM. Fifteen miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber and grass. No further information received.

**Skibstad**, Southern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Fry). Eight miles southeast of Columbus, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Wolf Creek**, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles north of Winnett, MT. Juniper, brush and grass. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**15 Mile**, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Nineteen miles northeast of Winnett, MT. Timber 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
Chrandal Creek	MT	BRF	2,500	0	60	8/3	342	-49	11	3	5	0	6.5M	FS
* Dove Tail	MT	LED	1,000	---	0	UNK	73	---	1	12	0	0	205K	BLM
Skibstad	MT	SOS	3,354	0	80	7/29	232	-1	3	23	2	10	800K	ST
Wolf Creek	MT	LED	11,877	-10	70	7/30	76	-41	1	16	0	0	509K	BLM
15 Mile	MT	LED	1,509	0	70	UNK	20	-22	0	2	0	0	240K	BLM

### **Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 56  
New large fires: 2  
Uncontained large fires: 6

\* **Hollow**, Boise District, BLM. Two miles south of Emmett, ID. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Ridge Top**, Fort Hall Agency, BIA. Ten miles east of Blackfoot, ID. Brush and grass. Running and spotting.

\* **Dallas Canyon**, Salt Lake District, BLM. Ten miles southwest of Delle, UT. Juniper, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with spotting.

**Stevens Peak**, Fort Hall Agency, BIA. Five miles west of Blackfoot, ID. Brush and grass. Smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Sid Crossing**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Twelve miles east of Dietrich, ID. Brush and grass. No further information received.

**East**, Fort Hall Agency, BIA. Twelve miles east of Blackfoot, ID. Brush and grass. 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
* Hollow	ID	BOD	800	---	60	UNK	61	---	0	7	3	1	50K	BLM
Ridge Top	ID	FHA	12,000	11,650	30	UNK	153	108	4	5	2	0	150K	BIA
* Dallas Canyon	UT	SLD	5,000	---	15	8/3	113	---	4	0	2	0	150K	BLM
Stevens Peak	ID	FHA	850	-56	90	UNK	29	6	1	2	0	0	80K	BIA
Sid Crossing	ID	TFD	20,784	0	98	UNK	80	0	0	16	1	0	200K	BLM
East	ID	FHA	2,000	1,000	30	UNK	0	-5	0	0	0	0	50K	BIA
SE Cedar	UT	SCS	1,242	-158	100	---	9	-33	0	3	0	0	25K	ST

SCS – Central Area, Utah DOF

### **Northwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 8  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 2

**Lava**, Lakeview District, BLM. Fifteen miles northeast of Ft. Rock, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with running, torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

\* **Danner Loop**, Vale District, BLM. Twelve miles west of Jordan Valley, OR. Brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. 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
Lava	OR	LAD	4,834	4,034	10	8/15	81	31	2	10	1	0	280K	BLM
* Danner Loop	OR	VAD	887	---	50	UNK	96	---	2	15	2	0	60K	BLM

### **Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 13  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 2  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

\* **Grape**, Kern County. Eight miles northwest of Lebec, CA. Grass. Active fire behavior.

**Graham**, Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Veneris). IMT also managing the Penn fire. Two miles north of Groveland, CA. Timber and brush. Smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
* Grape	CA	KRN	400	---	20	7/29	197	---	13	8	3	0	NR	CNTY
Graham	CA	TCU	81	-19	50	7/30	1,017	48	31	61	6	0	1.7M	ST
Penn	CA	TCU	134	0	100	--	68	-262	4	0	0	1	702K	ST

### **Southern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 7  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 3

**Townley Road**, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles northwest of Indianahoma, OK. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with running, torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

**Bakers Peak**, Wichita Mountains NWR. Twenty-five miles northwest of Lawton, OK. Brush and grass. No new information.

**Ola**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Three miles southeast of Ola, AR. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is 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
Townley Road	OK	OKS	28,400	400	75	UNK	159	0	0	34	1	3	94K	ST
Bakers Peak	OK	WMR	1,500	---	60	7/30	27	---	0	7	1	0	NR	FWS
Ola	AR	ARS	500	---	90	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Doar	SC	FMF	475	-13	100	---	15	1	0	5	1	0	60K	FS

FMF – Francis Marion and Sumter NF

**Northern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 22  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

\* **Peak**, Plumas NF. Fifteen miles northeast of Portola, CA. Timber and brush. Crowning and spotting.

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
* Peak	CA	PNF	200	---	20	7/29	190	---	8	14	3	0	10K	FS

**Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Chimney**, Elko District, BLM. Two miles east of Twin Bridges, NV. Juniper, brush and grass. 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
Chimney	NV	EKD	4,597	0	99	7/30	94	-76	3	1	0	0	500K	BLM

**Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4  
 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
West Side Complex	AZ	KNF	2,871	---	100	---	4	-8	0	1	0	0	600K	FS

KNF – Kaibab NF

**Other Fires**

(As of July 27)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	13	113,241	0	0	0	0
NW	3	557,744	6	7	0	151
NO	3	2,763	14	22	5	410
SO	1	109	0	0	0	3
NR	6	2,504	38	6	3	133
EB	6	72,612	2	6	0	101
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	1	297,845	0	0	0	5
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	3	2,936	5	11	3	76
Total	36	1,049,754	65	52	11	879

This table does not include fires reported in the large fire section of this report. Updated weekly.

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop in the afternoon over the higher elevations of the Southwest and over the central Rockies. Hot and dry conditions will continue over the West. A cold front will stall across the Southeast bringing showers and thunderstorms from southern Georgia and northern Florida along the eastern seaboard to Maine. Temperatures will remain near or slightly below normal across much of the East but hot and humid conditions will continue across the Gulf states and the central and southern Plains.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.html>



Today's discussion is from the  
Fire/Weather Behavior Category.

### Proper Use of Trigger Points

Accurate situational awareness (SA) requires constant reassessment of conditions (existing or potential) that may impact the safety and effectiveness of tactics. Monitoring for the 18 Watchout Situations and establishing operational / environmental limits (“trigger points”) ahead of time can help to focus SA, prompt reassessment, and help you re-evaluate the risk of current actions. The following items are things to consider in your planning and discussion. Remember, trigger points are NOT decision makers, but serve as predetermined cues to prompt you to re-evaluate the current and potential situation and associated risks, and help you to determine and implement the proper course of action.

- Preplan! Don't wait until you're in the wrong place at the wrong time---with no time.
- Trigger points should be based on measurable factors such as:
  - RH
  - Winds
  - Fire Behavior
  - Topographical boundaries
  - Time constraints/Time of day
  - Time/distance to safety zones
  - Loss of suppression resources
  - Other operational considerations (e.g., firefighter fatigue, loss of lookouts or communication, weather change)
- As you approach predetermined trigger points, go through the Risk Management Process to help you decide if a change in tactics is required. (See the Incident Response Pocket Guide)
  - Gather information to assure good Situational Awareness
  - Assess hazards to anticipate serious risks
  - Establish hazard controls to mitigate serious risks
  - Make decisions based on your ability to mitigate those serious risks
  - Evaluate effectiveness of current actions
- Command/Leadership responsibilities when changing tactics
  - Communicate the changes to your subordinates, as well as to adjacent forces and up the chain of command
  - Account for all your people
  - Make sure everyone knows and follows the new plan

#### References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)  
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2				2	4	8
	ACRES	1				0	2	3
Northern California	FIRES					14	8	22
	ACRES					83	1	84
Southern California	FIRES					12	1	13
	ACRES					2	0	2
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	2		1	16	28	48
	ACRES	5	3		0	1,082	13	1,103
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	20		2	14	20	56
	ACRES	7,497	911		0	1,260	45	9,713
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3			1		4
	ACRES		12			0		12
Southwest	FIRES	1			1		2	4
	ACRES	0			0		1	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	2	10		2	5	6	25
	ACRES	0	109		0	35	5	149
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			1		5	1	7
	ACRES			166		17	0	183
TOTAL	FIRES	6	35	1	6	69	70	187
	ACRES	7,503	1,035	166	0	2,479	67	11,250

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	28	20	224	4	314
	ACRES	43	50,107	39,270	67,906	49,838	0	207,164
Northwest	FIRES	115	120	18	16	318	264	851
	ACRES	2,054	653,535	1,787	13	2,269	677	660,335
Northern California	FIRES	71	15	2	6	1,732	280	2,106
	ACRES	54	1,476	0	8	11,801	31,402	44,741
Southern California	FIRES	23	107	7	18	2,039	266	2,460
	ACRES	27	4,379	8	436	27,581	2,590	35,021
Northern Rockies	FIRES	879	114	15	9	336	319	1,672
	ACRES	282,687	78,394	869	650	70,997	30,863	464,460
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	34	427		17	537	261	1,276
	ACRES	13,150	512,258		135	174,765	216,416	916,724
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	259	1	13	101	46	423
	ACRES	1,199	100,315	0	37	10,285	12,276	124,112
Southwest	FIRES	657	167	12	32	412	724	2,004
	ACRES	30,236	4,430	187	4,326	31,098	521,315	591,592
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	923	397	21	22	925	498	2,786
	ACRES	64,452	31,549	1,246	831	266,213	247,482	611,773
Eastern Area	FIRES	676		45	16	7,445	480	8,662
	ACRES	1,631		4,755	401	70,845	8,829	86,461
Southern Area	FIRES	448		45	43	13,290	502	14,328
	ACRES	38,408		19,408	16,743	164,298	78,762	317,619
TOTAL	FIRES	3,830	1,643	194	212	27,359	3,644	36,882
	ACRES	433,941	1,436,443	67,530	91,486	879,990	1,150,612	4,060,002

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>47,917</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,084,171</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
	ACRES							0
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					11		11
	ACRES					48		48
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	11	0	11
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	48	0	48

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	10		12
	ACRES				18	13,314		13,332
Northwest	FIRES	8	59	15			157	239
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,305			31,956	43,763
Northern California	FIRES	2	13	22	21		153	211
	ACRES	107	203	22,621	151		13,082	36,164
Southern California	FIRES		6	5	5	6	159	181
	ACRES		1,521	381	946	1,831	4,120	8,799
Northern Rockies	FIRES	15	9	68	3	33	192	320
	ACRES	1,792	4,745	16,495	233	1,809	20,854	45,928
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	20	42	79
	ACRES		898	188	230	324	18,824	20,464
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	4		13	4	29
	ACRES		2,261	419		279	221	3,180
Southwest	FIRES	31	17	12	15		131	206
	ACRES	1,214	8,519	5,472	109		38,954	54,268
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	25	91	21	18	61	239
	ACRES	2,025	2,965	19,979	2,492	8,377	10,819	46,657
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		490	41	959	151	1,678
	ACRES	22,116		78,658	9,054	57,490	57,523	224,841
Southern Area	FIRES	23		140	53	8,291	832	9,339
	ACRES	4,783		57,688	37,634	470,961	811,626	1,382,692
TOTAL	FIRES	139	148	849	165	9,350	1,882	12,533
	ACRES	35,539	28,112	203,206	50,867	554,385	1,007,979	1,880,088

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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	0	0	625	10,219
YUKON TERRITORY	2	3	93	63,093
ALBERTA	11	0	1,025	331,462
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	6	69	197	205,000
SASKATCHEWAN	7	173	293	200,955
MANITOBA	12	16,193	365	134,756
ONTARIO	24	5,316	1,156	114,917
QUEBEC	20	120	598	69,745
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	172	137,433
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	291	352
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	312	779
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	5	9
NATIONAL PARKS	7	1,119	58	271,888
TOTALS	92	22,993	5,190	1,540,608

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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