

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, August 28, 2012 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 4**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (80 new fires)
New large fires:	1 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	20
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	7

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

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

Four MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve), and the 153rd Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID. One MAFFS from the 145th Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard), along with one MAFFS from the 146th Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Sacramento, CA.

Northern California Area (PL 5)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	8
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

North Pass, Mendocino NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Twenty-five miles northeast of Covelo, CA. Timber and logging slash. Active fire behavior with crown runs and spotting. Structures and communications site threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

Bagley, Shasta-Trinity NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Whitcome) to IMT 1 (McGowan) will occur tomorrow. Seven miles west of Big Bend, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Structures and high voltage power lines threatened.

Chips, Plumas NF. IMT 1 (Opliger). Twenty miles northwest of Quincy, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire activity. Communities threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Fort Complex (3 fires), Klamath NF. NIMO (Kleinman). Ten miles northwest of Happy Camp, CA. Timber. Backing fire. Structures threatened. Road and trail closures in effect.

Ponderosa, Tehama-Glenn Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Kaslin). Two miles east of Manton, CA. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

Rush, Northern California District, BLM. IMT 1 (Turman). Fifteen miles southeast of Ravendale, CA. Juniper and brush. 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
North Pass	CA	MNF	31,656	4,503	34	9/7	1,666	-12	36	116	12	6	12M	FS
Bagley	CA	SHF	24,413	2,310	22	9/5	1,354	161	56	68	7	0	7.6M	FS
Chips	CA	PNF	73,193	4,611	71	8/31	1,529	27	27	131	9	8	37.9M	FS
Fort Complex	CA	KNF	13,883	2,480	25	10/31	571	110	18	9	7	0	14.7M	FS
Ponderosa	CA	TGU	27,676	0	89	8/28	1,849	-67	55	132	5	142	22.8M	ST
Rush	CA	NOD	318,400	0	74	8/30	694	-59	11	38	4	0	13M	BLM

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 26
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 3

Trinity Ridge, Boise NF. IMT 1 (Quesinberry and Lund). Seven miles northwest of Featherville, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching and short crown runs. Numerous structures and communications site threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect

Halstead, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Numerous structures and power lines threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

Mustang Complex (4 fires), Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 1 (Joseph). Twenty-eight miles west of North Fork, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Radar Hill, Clark County. Twelve miles northeast of Dubois, ID. Brush and grass. 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
Trinity Ridge	ID	BOF	128,023	8,317	10	10/1	1,456	218	34	62	10	12	23.6M	FS
Halstead	ID	SCF	103,848	917	N/A	N/A	607	-5	7	40	6	0	13.1M	FS
Mustang Complex	ID	SCF	145,844	8,949	N/A	N/A	778	-3	12	59	2	1	10.8M	FS
Radar Hill	ID	5CN	1,800	0	95	UNK	43	8	1	5	0	0	250K	CNTY
* Horse Butte	ID	TFD	745	---	100	---	47	---	0	9	1	0	30K	BLM

TFD – Twin Falls District, BLM

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires: 10
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 5
Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Delphia, Southern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Heintz). Fourteen miles northeast of Roundup, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching. Numerous structures threatened.

Felan Gulch, Southwestern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Fry). IMT is also managing the Elevation Mountain fire. Started on private land ten miles west of Drummond, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened.

Elevation Mountain, Southwestern Land Office, Montana DNR. Started on BLM land ten miles southwest of Ovando, MT. Timber. Short crown runs and torching.

Deep Creek 2, North Dakota State. Started on private land twelve miles north of Marmanth, ND. Juniper and grass. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Condon Mountain, Flathead NF. Five miles northeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

Ditch, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-three miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Vista, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-three miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Porcupine Complex (3 fires), Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles east of Elk City, ID. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Pettibone, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-eight miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Wedge Creek, Lolo NF. Previously reported incident. Sixteen miles east of Seeley Lake, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching. Trail closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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Delphia	MT	SOS	40,100	10,100	60	8/31	412	44	7	51	6	0	1M	ST
Felan Gulch	MT	SWS	142	0	75	8/31	67	-127	2	5	1	0	281K	PRI
Elevation Mountain	MT	SWS	585	25	25	UNK	397	235	12	8	4	0	1.4M	BLM
Deep Creek 2	ND	NDS	3,000	-1,500	80	8/28	46	6	0	16	0	0	75K	PRI
Condon Mountain	MT	FNF	1,706	0	50	10/1	59	-8	2	3	2	0	2.5M	FS
Ditch	ID	NPF	7,027	---	N/A	N/A	21	---	1	0	0	0	70K	FS
Vista	ID	NPF	3,912	---	N/A	N/A	21	---	1	0	0	0	150K	FS
Porcupine Complex	ID	NPF	3,431	---	N/A	N/A	8	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
Pettibone	ID	NPF	3,268	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	FS
Wedge Creek	MT	LNF	1,226	---	N/A	N/A	2	---	0	0	0	0	62K	FS

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 2
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Cache Creek, Wallowa-Whitman NF. IMT 2 (Rapp). Forty-two miles northeast of Enterprise, OR. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting. Structures threatened.

Waterfalls 2, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Williams). Twenty-two miles west of Warm Springs, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting.

Diamond Butte, Yakama Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Johnson). Twenty-five miles west of White Swan, WA. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

Taylor Bridge, Southeast Region, Washington DNR. Four miles northwest of Ellensburg, WA. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Butte, Umpqua NF. Fifteen miles northwest of Chemult, OR. Timber. 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
Cache Creek	OR	WWF	65,000	20,000	40	9/5	813	13	25	20	8	1	4.7M	FS
Waterfalls 2	OR	WSA	11,786	772	50	9/15	892	2	25	27	11	0	8.3M	BIA
Diamond Butte	WA	YAA	285	0	75	UNK	258	-46	7	1	0	0	1.8M	BIA
Taylor Bridge	WA	SES	23,500	0	91	8/28	138	-32	1	27	0	272	10.3M	ST
Butte	OR	UPF	142	0	95	8/28	49	-25	2	0	1	0	2.9M	FS
Barry Point	OR	FWF	93,071	0	100	---	510	-8	11	32	3	0	21.1M	FS

FWF – Fremont-Winema NF

Western Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 9
 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
Cherry	NV	WID	572	272	100	---	75	18	3	2	1	0	250K	BLM

WID – Winnemucca District, BLM

Other Fires

(As of August 24)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	2	36,844	0	0	0	0
NW	5	41,994	5	23	2	262
NO	2	29,279	12	30	2	575
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	26	38,033	3	1	5	126
EB	9	73,385	0	3	0	17
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	2	622	0	1	0	10
RM	2	2,925	0	0	1	19
EA	1	3,200	0	0	0	45
SA	2	793	0	3	0	4
Total	51	227,075	20	61	10	1,058

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

Predictive Services Discussion: Strong winds and low relative humidity will produce critical fire weather conditions across northern California and northern Nevada. Isolated to widely scattered thunderstorms will form over the eastern Great Basin, the Southwest and the central Rockies. In the East, Hurricane Isaac will approach the Louisiana and Mississippi coasts, bringing strong winds, thunderstorms and heavy rain to the Gulf coast region. Mild, dry conditions will continue over much of the Plains, Midwest and New England.

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



Today's discussion is from the
LCES (Lookouts, Communication, Escape Routes, and
Safety Zones) Category.



Escape Routes

An escape route is a preplanned and understood route to reach a safety zone.

- What are the primary concerns in choosing an escape route?
 - - Select the closest, least obstructed route.
 - Plan for more than one escape route.
 - Avoid an uphill escape.
 - Scout and clearly mark the route for visibility (aids during smoky situations or night operational periods). NWCG recommends using hot-pink flagging marked "Escape Route" (NFES 0566). Crews with colorblind members may wish to carry and utilize fluorescent chartreuse flagging (NFES # 2396).
 - - Determine escape time--consider slowest person, fatigue, and temperature factors.
 - Continuously reassess the situation with regard to work progress and additional resource arrivals.
 - Assure all line personnel are familiar with escape routes.
 - Vehicles parked for escape.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Fireline Handbook](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Aviation Operations](#)

["LCES and Other Thoughts" by Paul Gleason](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					2		2
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
Northern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						6,917	6,917
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						2	2
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1	4	5	10
	ACRES				0	225	2,242	2,467
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3			5	18	26
	ACRES		802			0	18,367	19,169
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3			1	5	9
	ACRES		353			0	4	357
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	1			3	2	7
	ACRES	1,450	0			2	54	1,506
Eastern Area	FIRES					5	1	6
	ACRES					20	1	21
Southern Area	FIRES					13	1	14
	ACRES					164	1	165
TOTAL	FIRES	1	7	0	1	33	38	80
	ACRES	1,450	1,155	0	0	413	27,588	30,606

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	30	20	254	5	347
	ACRES	43	51,334	39,679	68,106	89,278	0	248,440
Northwest	FIRES	153	184	24	21	516	545	1,443
	ACRES	15,922	1,083,327	1,819	12	29,430	153,177	1,283,687
Northern California	FIRES	94	22	2	10	2,191	474	2,793
	ACRES	168	413,780	0	28,526	27,444	154,471	624,389
Southern California	FIRES	29	145	10	48	2,458	508	3,198
	ACRES	36	28,742	8	1,259	32,791	6,020	68,856
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,033	198	28	22	533	670	2,484
	ACRES	351,043	274,331	11,081	2,296	156,249	89,636	884,636
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	53	715		28	701	489	1,986
	ACRES	28,674	751,541		1,537	195,814	682,250	1,659,816
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	518	2	15	173	125	838
	ACRES	1,200	551,381	0	37	73,958	26,931	653,507
Southwest	FIRES	697	195	12	41	508	951	2,404
	ACRES	31,583	5,198	187	4,332	33,499	460,456	535,255
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1,126	469	33	36	1,537	602	3,803
	ACRES	80,520	57,093	4,207	837	472,236	181,749	796,642
Eastern Area	FIRES	683		49	17	7,794	535	9,078
	ACRES	1,647		4,776	402	76,166	10,434	93,425
Southern Area	FIRES	490		77	46	14,370	575	15,558
	ACRES	45,688		32,812	16,752	253,297	80,634	429,183
TOTAL	FIRES	4,364	2,483	267	304	31,035	5,479	43,932
	ACRES	556,524	3,216,727	94,569	124,096	1,440,162	1,845,758	7,277,836

Ten Year Average Fires	55,566
Ten Year Average Acres	5,773,054

*** 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					1		1
	ACRES					7		7
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	7	0	7

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	16		1	157	241
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,330		0	31,956	43,788
Northern California	FIRES	3	13	22	21		153	212
	ACRES	108	203	22,621	151		13,082	36,165
Southern California	FIRES		6	5	5	6	159	181
	ACRES		1,521	381	946	1,831	4,120	8,799
Northern Rockies	FIRES	16	8	71	3	33	192	323
	ACRES	1,822	4,608	17,951	233	1,809	20,854	47,277
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	5,512	109		38,954	54,308
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	19	109	21	13	55	240
	ACRES	2,100	2,945	21,564	2,492	1,283	9,707	40,091
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		497	41	966	152	1,693
	ACRES	22,116		78,904	9,054	57,616	57,595	225,285
Southern Area	FIRES	23		143	53	8,608	840	9,667
	ACRES	4,783		59,541	37,634	478,356	814,126	1,394,440
TOTAL	FIRES	141	141	881	165	9,670	1,885	12,883
	ACRES	35,645	27,955	208,411	50,867	554,812	1,009,439	1,887,129

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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	49	10,476	1,263	52,161
Yukon Territory	0	0	125	92,116
Alberta	7	4,220	1,323	377,900
Northwest Territory	0	0	268	280,314
Saskatchewan	2	4	389	231,763
Manitoba	0	6	445	201,142
Ontario	2	2	1,364	146,007
Quebec	1	2,994	729	73,063
Newfoundland	0	0	190	137,469
New Brunswick	4	2	321	362
Nova Scotia	1	0	335	811
Prince Edward Island	0	0	5	9
National Parks	0	10	72	275,320
Total	66	17,714	6,829	1,868,436

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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