

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, November 4, 2012 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (9 new fires)
New large fires:	0 (*)
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires: **	1
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

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

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

Eastern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	0
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0
NIMO's committed:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

Hurricane Sandy Support, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Eleven incident management teams and 28 crews are assigned.

Three NIMO's are assigned (Quesinberry, Kleinman and Hahnenberg).

- Quesinberry: Is assigned to provide support to Nassau County, NY.
- Kleinman: Is managing a staging area in New York City, NY.
- Hahnenberg: Is assigned to the State Emergency Operations Center in Albany, NY.

Two Type 1 Teams (Wilder and Opliger) are assigned.

- Wilder: Is managing road clearing operations and staging area in Charleston, WV.
- Opliger: Is managing a staging area at Fort Dix, NJ.

Six Type 2 Teams (Pisarek, Dueitt, Kollmeyer, Graham, West and Fry) are assigned.

- Pisarek: Is managing a mobilization center in Farmingdale, NY.
- Dueitt: Is being staged to Farmingdale, NY.
- Kollmeyer: Is managing road clearing operations in Greenwich, CT.
- Graham: Is being assigned to Charleston, WV.
- West: Is being assigned to Charleston, WV.
- Fry: Is being assigned to the Harrisburg Mobilization Center, Harrisburg, PA.

Northwest Area (PL 1)

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

Juniper Creek, Vale District, BLM. Twenty-four miles northwest of Jordan Valley, OR. Brush and grass. 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
Juniper Creek	OR	VAD	1,500	---	0	UNK	23	---	1	0	0	0	1K	BLM

Other Fires

(As of November 2)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	1	47,154	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	1	8,815	0	0	0	1
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	3	6,736	0	0	0	10
RM	2	1,400	0	0	1	19
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	7	64,105	0	0	1	30

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered rain and snow showers will linger across the Northwest and the northern Rockies. Otherwise, the West will remain relatively dry and warm. Breezy and warm conditions will develop along the front range of the Rockies and spread across the Plains. A few snow showers drifting across the Dakotas. Cool but dry conditions will move into the Northeast and scattered showers and a few thunderstorms will form over the Southeast.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.

BUILDING FIRELINE DOWNHILL WITH FIRE BELOW

As a general rule, construct line moving uphill. Many firefighters have lost their lives attacking wildland fires from above. If there is no practical alternative to constructing line downhill, proceed only after weighing the following considerations:

- Has the area been scouted for fire perimeter and behavior? Discuss what you need to know about the fire perimeter and fire behavior before building fireline downhill with fire below.
- Will wind direction be at your back? Will it stay at your back? Talk about how winds can change when you are on a slope (e.g., time of day, upslope and down slope breezes, etc.).
- Is the area free of chimneys and gullies? How would you negotiate your line location if there were chimneys and gullies below where you needed to be working?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes as you progress downhill? How do you maintain adequate safety zones and escape routes as you progress downhill?
- Can you carry your burnout downhill as you go to provide an anchor point and safety zones? Discuss how you decide when to carry the burnout with you or wait until you have tied in down below.
- Have lookouts been posted? What do the lookouts need to be on the watch for?
- Do you have good communications, especially with lookouts and crews working towards you? What are some of the dangers of not communicating with lookouts and crews working towards you? What are the benefits of maintaining good communications?
- Can the line be completed and burned out before the fire reaches the line? Discuss how this would affect where you locate the line.
- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assignment? What additional resources might you need to safely take on an assignment that includes building fireline downhill with fire below?
- Is aerial support available if needed? What benefits can aerial resources provide? What might be an added danger from aerial resources in this type of situation? (Common Denominators)
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- Has everyone been briefed on the assignment, fire behavior, weather, communications, escape routes and safety zones, hazards and tactics? Discuss who might provide this briefing and where and when it might occur.

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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					5	3	8
	ACRES					0	1	1
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						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	5	4	9
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	4	39	30	22	299	5	399
	ACRES	164	51,616	39,629	76,752	102,065	0	270,226
Northwest	FIRES	129	225	27	29	880	975	2,265
	ACRES	44,236	1,138,441	1,902	20	46,412	268,046	1,499,057
Northern California	FIRES	123	24	1	13	2,796	587	3,544
	ACRES	275	423,780	1	28,526	34,341	284,585	771,508
Southern California	FIRES	35	239	12	65	3,174	675	4,200
	ACRES	47	40,756	8	2,197	42,074	12,522	97,604
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,302	211	47	23	914	845	3,342
	ACRES	415,952	306,113	11,419	5,210	206,280	489,376	1,434,350
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	61	850	1	33	854	607	2,406
	ACRES	30,314	793,525	2	2,130	222,405	1,003,479	2,051,855
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	632	3	16	204	144	1,004
	ACRES	1,200	503,356	60	28	66,735	42,748	614,127
Southwest	FIRES	751	201	13	42	530	1,070	2,607
	ACRES	38,359	5,326	187	4,334	33,803	461,277	543,286
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1,470	556	41	47	1,715	743	4,572
	ACRES	172,895	68,519	4,274	1,944	669,182	181,420	1,098,234
Eastern Area	FIRES	834		65	20	8,947	638	10,504
	ACRES	2,010		4,823	403	87,446	12,552	107,234
Southern Area	FIRES	633		81	46	15,952	648	17,360
	ACRES	122,866		34,321	16,752	249,243	82,307	505,489
TOTAL	FIRES	5,347	2,977	321	356	36,265	6,937	52,203
	ACRES	828,318	3,331,432	96,626	138,296	1,759,986	2,838,312	8,992,970

Ten Year Average Fires	67,295
Ten Year Average Acres	7,029,345

*** 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	0
	ACRES						6	6
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							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	6	6

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	11	15	28
	ACRES				18	13,449	218	13,685
Northwest	FIRES	20	91	21	3		483	618
	ACRES	4,053	8,629	1,986	39		46,739	61,446
Northern California	FIRES	5	13	35	28	3	170	254
	ACRES	121	203	1,752	316	15	10,344	12,751
Southern California	FIRES		7	13	6	6	131	163
	ACRES		2,421	2,781	1,008	1,831	5,084	13,125
Northern Rockies	FIRES	26	15	75	5	134	303	558
	ACRES	3,060	4,690	18,436	240	5,692	23,133	55,251
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		12	3	4	31	67	117
	ACRES		1,304	245	230	881	25,586	28,246
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	4	4	15	4	31
	ACRES		825	419	1,657	3,092	243	6,236
Southwest	FIRES	29	19	12	19		156	235
	ACRES	1,230	8,919	5,515	2,345		54,329	72,338
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	41	13	113	22	14	57	260
	ACRES	5,423	1,543	22,880	2,496	1,290	8,892	42,524
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		509	51	983	164	1,744
	ACRES	22,116		83,814	9,441	58,729	57,944	232,044
Southern Area	FIRES	21		153	54	9,610	878	10,716
	ACRES	4,543		61,603	39,434	496,803	827,615	1,429,998
TOTAL	FIRES	179	174	938	198	10,807	2,428	14,724
	ACRES	40,546	28,534	199,431	57,224	581,782	1,060,127	1,967,644

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

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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