

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, September 23, 2008 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (70 new fires)
New large fires:	0 (*)
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires:	4
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4
Fire Use Teams committed:	0

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

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

Emergency Support Function 4 (ESF4) at the National Response Coordination Center in Washington, D.C., the Regional Response Coordination Center in Denton, TX, and the Joint Field Office in Austin, TX are staffed to support hurricane activity.

Southern Area (PL 4)

New fires:	14
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Hurricane Ike Support, Federal Emergency Management Agency. NIMO (Custer) is supporting FEMA at Beaumont, TX. IMT 1 (Quesinberry) is supporting Texas Forest Service at Beaumont, TX. IMT 2 (Wilder) assigned at Galveston Island, TX.

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	7
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Rattle, Umpqua NF. IMT 1 (Hoff). Confine/contain management strategy. Six miles northwest of Tokete Falls, OR. Timber and brush. Creeping. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

Lonesome Complex, Rogue River NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Batten) to IMT 1 (Pendleton) tomorrow. Twelve miles east of Prospect, OR. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Historical structures threatened.

Gnarl Ridge, Mt Hood NF. IMT 2 (West). Ten miles south of Parkdale, OR. Timber. Surface fire with occasional single tree torching and spotting. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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
Rattle	OR	UPF	17,145	238	48	10/15	1,075	40	21	50	7	0	15.7M	FS
Lonesome Complex	OR	RRF	18,238	369	30	10/15	1,249	168	38	19	13	0	11.4M	FS
Gnarl Ridge	OR	MHF	3,216	0	17	10/15	869	26	21	35	9	0	8.9M	FS
Doubleday	OR	711S	1,275	0	100	---	286	-267	10	11	0	0	2.7M	ST

711S - Medford Unit, Oregon DOF

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 21
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1

Klamath Complex, Klamath NF. NIMO (Gage). Confine/contain management strategy. Fourteen miles west of Etna, CA. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering.

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Klamath Complex	CA	KNF	190,645	157	75	9/30	423	16	7	2	9	0	126.8M	FS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 16
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Hidden, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Joseph) back to local unit tomorrow. Mixed conifer and timber litter. Backing 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
Hidden	CA	KNP	1,851	315	68	9/30	576	-205	14	12	7	0	6.9M	NPS

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

Vinegar, Carson City Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles north of Reno, NV. Grass. 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
Vinegar	NV	CCD	382	---	85	UNK	78	---	2	8	1	0	NR	BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Becoming warmer and drier from Texas westward across the Southwest as high pressure starts to build in across the Four-Corners region. Drying out and a little warmer across the Northern Rockies Area. A cold front will approach the Pacific Northwest and northern California, bringing a cool westerly onshore flow, along with increasing high clouds. Widespread showers and thunderstorms will continue again across Florida. Elsewhere mainly seasonable early fall conditions.

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



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

Transfer of Command

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents with potential during transfer of command periods (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES—Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

● Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed
- Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.

● Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES		2			2	3	7
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Northern California	FIRES					14	7	21
	ACRES					30	3	33
Southern California	FIRES				0	14	2	16
	ACRES				255	1	83	339
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3			2		5
	ACRES		0			0		0
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southwest	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES			2		12		14
	ACRES			11		101		112
TOTAL	FIRES	0	5	2	0	49	14	70
	ACRES	0	0	11	255	134	86	486

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		14	19	1	300	3	337
	ACRES		644	1,352	0	60,651	0	62,647
Northwest	FIRES	293	254	25	76	764	1,392	2,804
	ACRES	36,334	95,997	8,227	667	33,844	36,231	211,300
Northern California	FIRES	170	2	8	32	3,033	937	4,182
	ACRES	692	1	175	12,928	284,622	566,182	864,600
Southern California	FIRES	75	129	14	47	3,465	512	4,242
	ACRES	385	26,883	871	1,719	52,723	291,198	373,779
Northern Rockies	FIRES	997	80	18	10	769	618	2,492
	ACRES	20,525	4,978	7,882	9,331	150,016	21,025	213,757
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	407	5	29	416	425	1,331
	ACRES	9,300	10,203	513	926	22,175	34,920	78,037
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	258	6	16	77	68	433
	ACRES	10	21,897	51	6	3,375	45,425	70,764
Southwest	FIRES	640	227	8	49	701	934	2,559
	ACRES	19,425	81,218	351	982	263,265	95,943	461,184
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	605	276	24	26	536	345	1,812
	ACRES	2,114	17,243	2,008	318	184,007	9,376	215,066
Eastern Area	FIRES	342		17	18	9,116	302	9,795
	ACRES	1,961		157	65	53,208	725	56,116
Southern Area	FIRES	955		83	64	35,605	554	37,261
	ACRES	59,257		47,375	54,917	1,843,002	37,103	2,041,654
TOTAL	FIRES	4,134	1,647	227	368	54,782	6,090	67,248
	ACRES	150,003	259,064	68,962	81,859	2,950,888	1,138,128	4,648,904

Ten Year Average Fires	66,826
Ten Year Average Acres	6,191,742

*** 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			3				3
	ACRES			80				80
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2				0		2
	ACRES	238				76		314
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			23		12	2	37
	ACRES			10,428		6,437	29	16,894
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	26	0	12	2	42
	ACRES	238	0	10,508	0	6,513	29	17,288

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					10		10
	ACRES					3,990		3,990
Northwest	FIRES	10	41	16	1		138	206
	ACRES	2,435	16,796	2,439	10		19,625	41,305
Northern California	FIRES	25	3	17	9	10	101	165
	ACRES	415	7	23,388	14	2,120	2,652	28,596
Southern California	FIRES		4	4	7	6	129	150
	ACRES		118	822	1,327	73	13,114	15,454
Northern Rockies	FIRES	21	19	59	5	31	184	319
	ACRES	1,888	3,678	16,550	309	2,108	22,353	46,886
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	3	24	5	8	8	54	102
	ACRES	200	7,387	346	3,421	1,498	15,889	28,741
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	2		4	11
	ACRES		2,655	12	27		2,437	5,131
Southwest	FIRES	29	64	11	13		154	271
	ACRES	3,214	39,533	20,031	2,307		57,671	122,756
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	27	29	106	19	46	122	349
	ACRES	2,971	4,557	18,601	4,695	5,631	34,892	71,347
Eastern Area	FIRES	46		335	17	1,591	97	2,086
	ACRES	30,380		53,458	860	108,125	11,447	204,270
Southern Area	FIRES	20		200	82	488	777	1,567
	ACRES	13,894		105,191	60,846	268,022	726,820	1,174,773
TOTAL	FIRES	181	187	755	163	2,190	1,760	5,236
	ACRES	55,397	74,731	240,838	73,816	391,567	906,900	1,743,249

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WFU Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		7	15	5	1		28
	ACRES		7,397	31,830	1,420	3		40,650
Northwest	FIRES				15		24	39
	ACRES				87		2,938	3,025
Northern California	FIRES						8	8
	ACRES						9,301	9,301
Southern California	FIRES				11		6	17
	ACRES				3,748		14,933	18,681
Northern Rockies	FIRES				2		47	49
	ACRES				0		11,863	11,863
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		23	24
	ACRES				0		47,907	47,907
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		1		9	12
	ACRES		81		0		10,145	10,226
Southwest	FIRES				2		18	20
	ACRES				112		17,672	17,784
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		5		2		4	11
	ACRES		25		0		54,645	54,670
Eastern Area	FIRES			3				3
	ACRES			3				3
Southern Area	FIRES						7	7
	ACRES						1,986	1,986
TOTAL	FIRES	0	14	18	39	1	146	218
	ACRES	0	7,503	31,833	5,367	3	171,390	216,096

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	49	99	1,902	12,058
Yukon Territory	0	0	68	18,846
Alberta	17	54	1,558	18,530
Northwest Territory	0	0	240	308,789
Saskatchewan	0	0	582	1,127,811
Manitoba	0	0	0	0
Ontario	5	29	310	1,292
Quebec	4	1	207	1,478
Newfoundland	0	0	122	3,780
New Brunswick	0	0	160	131
Nova Scotia	0	0	242	2,717
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	0	0
Total	75	183	5,391	1,495,432

*** CIFFC table updated weekly. ***

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