

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Saturday, October 11, 2008 – 0800 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (67 new fires)  
 New large fires: 0 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0  
 Fire Use Teams committed: 0

\*\* Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. \*\*  
[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 14  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Chalk, Los Padres NF. Nine miles north of Gorda, CA. Chaparral. 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
Chalk	CA	LPF	11,189	0	97	10/17	696	-118	13	18	4	0	14.8M	FS

**Northwest Area (PL 1)**

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

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Lonesome Complex	OR	RRF	21,125	0	100	---	14	-5	1	0	1	0	18.4M	FS

RRF – Rogue River NF

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A large upper low over the Great Basin is bringing strong, gusty north to northeast winds to northern and central California this weekend. These winds extend down to the mountain ranges north of Los Angeles with generally onshore flow to the south. Santa Ana winds are on tap for southern California starting Sunday.

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



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

## SMOKE EXPOSURE

Exposure to smoke during fire operations can be a significant safety concern. Research has shown that smoke exposure on prescribed fires, especially in the holding and ignition positions, often exceeds that on wildfires. There are many precautions that can be taken to reduce personnel exposure to smoke.

- **Planning:** Smoke exposure needs to be considered when planning suppression tactics and prescribed fires. Simple actions can mitigate smoke exposures, such as:
  - Altering line locations can have a significant impact on smoke exposure.
  - Placing firelines in areas of lighter fuels or moving lines to roads or other barriers that will require less holding, patrol and mopup will significantly reduce the smoke exposure to personnel.
  - Use flanking attack as opposed to head attack (where appropriate) in heavy smoke situations.
  - Check fire behavior forecasts for smoke and inversion potential.
  - In heavy smoke, give up acres to gain control.
  
- **Implementation:** Many techniques can help reduce the exposure of personnel to heavy smoke, such as:
  - Rotating people out of the heaviest smoke area may be the single most effective method.
  - Locate camps and incident command posts in areas that are not prone to inversions.
  - Minimize snag falling, consistent with safety concerns, to avoid putting heavy fuels on the ground that will require mopup.
  - Changing firing patterns and preburning (black lining) during less severe conditions can greatly reduce exposure to smoke.
  - The use of retardant, foam or sprinklers can also significantly reduce the workload and exposure time for holding crews.

### 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				1	10	2	13
	ACRES				0	62	0	62
Southern California	FIRES					14		14
	ACRES					9		9
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	27					1	28
	ACRES	35					1	36
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		0				0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	1				8		9
	ACRES	0				57		57
TOTAL	FIRES	28	1	0	1	33	4	67
	ACRES	35	0	0	0	128	1	164

### 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	303	263	25	76	795	1,487	2,949
	ACRES	36,342	100,027	8,227	649	91,484	45,317	282,046
Northern California	FIRES	175	42	8	38	3,196	982	4,441
	ACRES	693	71	175	12,991	307,916	640,799	962,645
Southern California	FIRES	77	131	14	48	3,617	542	4,429
	ACRES	385	26,884	871	3,715	53,307	293,241	378,403
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,000	85	20	13	780	646	2,544
	ACRES	20,592	14,485	7,898	9,332	153,094	21,050	226,451
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	48	498	5	30	442	466	1,489
	ACRES	8,884	70,503	513	927	23,183	34,984	138,994
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	273	6	17	80	70	454
	ACRES	10	21,927	51	6	3,375	45,425	70,794
Southwest	FIRES	681	230	9	52	705	959	2,636
	ACRES	19,490	81,219	679	982	263,268	96,135	461,773
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	629	373	25	26	575	361	1,989
	ACRES	2,128	17,446	2,015	318	186,754	9,413	218,074
Eastern Area	FIRES	349		17	29	9,602	308	10,305
	ACRES	1,961		157	72	54,336	710	57,236
Southern Area	FIRES	1,032		264	67	25,435	574	27,372
	ACRES	64,962		72,221	55,692	1,385,136	38,220	1,616,231
TOTAL	FIRES	4,302	1,909	412	397	45,527	6,398	58,945
	ACRES	155,447	333,206	94,159	84,684	2,582,504	1,225,294	4,475,294

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>68,249</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,306,399</b>

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### Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						4	4
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						44	44
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						22	22
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		0			2	2	4
	ACRES		98			202	510	810
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						370	370
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	11	13
	ACRES	0	98	0	0	202	950	1,250

### 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	11	44	34	2		160	251
	ACRES	2,475	21,769	2,793	51		20,710	47,798
Northern California	FIRES	25	14	20	17	13	112	201
	ACRES	415	797	23,960	473	2,370	2,828	30,843
Southern California	FIRES		4	7	7	6	129	153
	ACRES		118	1,337	1,326	73	13,131	15,985
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	23	61	5	57	253	422
	ACRES	2,095	3,840	17,338	309	2,883	26,313	52,778
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	28	6	9	16	74	137
	ACRES	860	10,965	376	3,632	1,898	22,909	40,640
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	4	4		4	16
	ACRES		2,655	90	66		2,437	5,248
Southwest	FIRES	37	65	11	14		210	337
	ACRES	4,562	39,908	20,031	2,445		71,896	138,842
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	27	35	108	20	47	138	375
	ACRES	2,971	6,437	19,451	4,983	5,964	41,261	81,067
Eastern Area	FIRES	45		345	17	1,771	98	2,276
	ACRES	30,335		57,596	860	129,983	11,456	230,230
Southern Area	FIRES	14		195	82	489	793	1,573
	ACRES	6,515		106,072	60,846	268,032	729,653	1,171,118
TOTAL	FIRES	186	217	791	177	2,409	1,971	5,751
	ACRES	50,228	86,489	249,044	74,991	415,193	942,594	1,818,539

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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				159		2,938	3,097
Northern California	FIRES						8	8
	ACRES						9,301	9,301
Southern California	FIRES				13		8	21
	ACRES				4,132		15,154	19,286
Northern Rockies	FIRES				2		49	51
	ACRES				0		11,852	11,852
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		31	32
	ACRES				0		50,029	50,029
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		1		10	13
	ACRES		81		0		10,148	10,229
Southwest	FIRES				2		21	23
	ACRES				112		17,958	18,070
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	41	1	162	236
	ACRES	0	7,503	31,833	5,823	3	174,011	219,173

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