

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, June 24, 2009 – 0530 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Moderate (209 new fires)  
 New large fires: 3 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: 5  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

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

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

**Alaska Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3

**Bear Creek**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-three miles east of Lake Minchumina, AK. Black spruce, hardwood slash and brush. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Winter Trail**, Southwest Area, Alaska DOF. Ten miles west of Aniak, AK. Spruce and tundra. Smoldering.

**Slate Creek**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-eight miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. 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
Bear Creek	AK	TAD	3,850	---	NR	UNK	8	---	0	0	0	0	164K	BLM
Winter Trail	AK	SWS	2,309	0	95	6/24	122	0	5	0	2	0	1M	ST
Slate Creek	AK	TAD	640	0	0	UNK	3	-38	0	0	0	0	107K	BLM
Blind River	AK	TAD	118	3	100	---	41	0	2	0	2	0	164K	BLM

**Northern California Area (PL 1)**

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

**Sims**, Klamath NF. Eight miles northeast of Seiad Valley, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior. 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
* Sims	CA	KNF	200	---	0	6/24	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

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

New fires: 136  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Bayport**, Florida DOF. One mile east of Pine Island, FL. Southern rough. 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
Bayport	FL	FLS	1,427	---	80	UNK	23	---	0	7	0	0	NR	ST
* Hopewell Road	TX	TXS	381	---	100	---	13	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI

TXS – Texas Forest Service

### **Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 1)**

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

**Bridge**, Dixie NF. Confine / contain management strategy. Eight miles southwest of Bryce Canyon, UT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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
* Bridge	UT	DIF	120	---	NR	UNK	37	---	1	2	0	0	NR	FS

**Predictive Services Discussion:** The Southwest will see scattered mostly wet thunderstorms in New Mexico, and initially dry storms possible in Arizona. Portions of the southern Sierra Nevada and Western Mountains of southern California may also see initially dry thunderstorms. Elsewhere across the West, warm conditions will prevail with isolated thunderstorms possible in the Great Basin. Widespread thunderstorms will return to Alaska with cool and wet conditions across the south.

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



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

### **Radio Narrowbanding**

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- Federal Agencies are under a congressional mandate to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrowbanded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 Mhz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrowbanded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at [www.radios.nifc.gov](http://www.radios.nifc.gov)
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for yourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			3		4
	ACRES		0			25		25
Northwest	FIRES				1	1	1	3
	ACRES				0	1	0	1
Northern California	FIRES					10	4	14
	ACRES					22	176	198
Southern California	FIRES					18	4	22
	ACRES					116	4	120
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	1			1	2	5
	ACRES	6	1			0	0	7
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						10	10
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		2		1	7	6	16
	ACRES		2		1	5,819	13	5,835
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3	2	6
	ACRES		8			56	1	65
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES				2	128	6	136
	ACRES				2	547	18	567
TOTAL	FIRES	1	5	0	4	173	26	209
	ACRES	6	11	0	3	6,587	222	6,829

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		29	22	4	253	5	313
	ACRES		17,534	31,838	2,570	236,685	0	288,627
Northwest	FIRES	98	84	1	5	230	182	600
	ACRES	410	1,366	2	2	641	316	2,737
Northern California	FIRES	28	21	1	7	668	249	974
	ACRES	23	19	0	1	3,843	485	4,371
Southern California	FIRES	12	50	3	7	1,252	192	1,516
	ACRES	36	473	4	553	4,083	2,577	7,726
Northern Rockies	FIRES	215	12	5	1	124	102	459
	ACRES	558	434	389	0	14,929	237	16,547
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	3	54	3	7	77	38	182
	ACRES	20	70	187	0	216	21	514
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	63		2	30	24	122
	ACRES	20	227		0	68	7	322
Southwest	FIRES	365	141	5	34	621	391	1,557
	ACRES	10,306	67,356	13	2,049	260,456	42,037	382,217
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	168	66	13	4	223	60	534
	ACRES	855	67	533	43	61,790	229	63,517
Eastern Area	FIRES	389		27	24	10,994	458	11,892
	ACRES	1,206		767	110	102,051	6,476	110,610
Southern Area	FIRES	293		150	47	27,437	497	28,424
	ACRES	35,253		27,204	68,458	838,678	25,242	994,835
TOTAL	FIRES	1,574	520	230	142	41,909	2,198	46,573
	ACRES	48,687	87,546	60,937	73,786	1,523,440	77,627	1,872,023

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>39,826</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>1,586,717</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						2	2
	ACRES						102	102
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						600	600
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0				0	0
	ACRES		20,000				5,000	25,000
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						2,516	2,516
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	8	8
	ACRES	0	20,000	0	0	0	8,219	28,219

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					3,338		3,338
Northwest	FIRES	15	100	19	2		83	219
	ACRES	7,122	7,746	4,068	31		12,266	31,233
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	17	34	21	196	310
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,529	164	2,555	8,917	40,904
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	4		113	133
	ACRES		564	748	270		8,517	10,099
Northern Rockies	FIRES	19	21	75	2	24	175	316
	ACRES	1,112	4,034	18,310	345	2,241	17,247	43,289
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	30	2	9	28	43	113
	ACRES	8	1,601	770	317	219	10,220	13,135
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	2			5	13
	ACRES		1,268	62			219	1,549
Southwest	FIRES	20	25	3	8		191	247
	ACRES	845	52,638	501	1,099		103,331	158,414
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	41	108	10	35	120	351
	ACRES	3,511	4,739	18,786	5,851	876	28,549	62,312
Eastern Area	FIRES	65		416	40	1,735	161	2,417
	ACRES	72,679		63,543	9,200	81,558	45,327	272,307
Southern Area	FIRES	5		242	77	780	999	2,103
	ACRES	2,370		123,874	90,109	282,212	929,590	1,428,155
TOTAL	FIRES	188	246	893	186	2,632	2,086	6,231
	ACRES	87,871	75,105	257,191	107,386	372,999	1,164,183	2,064,735

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### Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	0	0	801	38,939
Yukon Territory	0	0	38	22,530
Alberta	4	163	1,000	54,136
Northwest Territory	0	0	17	485
Saskatchewan	0	0	442	29,777
Manitoba	0	0	107	2,400
Ontario	3	99	223	6,041
Quebec	11	4,985	290	11,557
Newfoundland	1	20	112	4,074
New Brunswick	0	0	152	232
Nova Scotia	1	0	133	937
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	118	58	29,929
Total	20	5,386	3,373	201,037

**\*\* National Interagency Coordination Center \*\***