

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Tuesday, August 11, 2009 – 0530 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 3**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (83 new fires)
New large fires:	4 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires : **	34
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	10

Nationally, there are 98 large fires being managed with minimal or no resource commitment that are not shown on today's report.

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

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

A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Molumby) is assigned to the Terrace Mountain fire north of Kelowna, British Columbia, Canada.

**Northwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires:	11
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

**Tiller Complex**, Umpqua NF. Transfer of command from IMT2 (Ensley) back to the local unit will occur today. Six miles northeast of Tiller, OR. Timber. Isolated torching and spotting.

**Williams Creek**, Umpqua NF. IMT2 (Paul). Fifteen miles east of Glide, OR. Timber. Smoldering, creeping and isolated torching. Residences threatened.

**Discovery**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Washington IMT2 (Gormley). Timber. Thirty miles west of Yakima, WA. Creeping.

**North Fork Complex** (2 fires), Umatilla NF. IMT2 (Batten). Confine/contain management strategy. Fifteen miles southeast of Ukiah, Oregon. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Cougar Ridge Complex**, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Transfer of command from IMT2 (Rapp) back to the local unit occurred yesterday. Twelve miles south of Wallowa, OR. Timber. Smoldering.

**ABCD July-August**, Rogue River NF. IMT2 (Hutton). Eleven miles north of Prospect, OR. Timber with heavy dead and down fuels. Smoldering, creeping and isolated torching. Road closures in effect.

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
Tiller Complex	OR	UPF	94	4	90	8/11	351	-57	9	11	5	0	3.7M	FS
Williams Creek	OR	UPF	7,450	500	65	8/16	773	-41	19	28	6	0	10.4M	FS
Discovery	WA	OWF	4,178	46	90	8/15	573	-123	16	10	3	0	6.9M	FS
North Fork Complex	OR	UMF	1,360	0	5	8/30	306	-42	6	3	3	0	2.5M	FS
Cougar Ridge Complex	OR	WWF	222	0	80	8/13	157	1	5	0	2	0	995K	FS
ABCD July-August	OR	RRF	186	5	80	8/11	177	-82	6	6	2	0	1.7M	FS

### **Alaska Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 2  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 9  
Type 2 IMTs committed 3

**Railbelt Complex** (3 fires), Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT2 (Doty). Twelve miles southwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tussock with mixed hardwood litter. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

**Crazy Mountain Complex** (4 fires). Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. IMT2 (Kurth). Three miles southwest of Circle, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. Smoldering with isolated single-tree torching. Community of Circle is threatened. Numerous structures threatened.

**Hardluck Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT2 (Cowie). Twenty-seven miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Black spruce and mixed hardwoods. Creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened.

**Rock Slough**, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Started on FWS land, forty-seven miles northeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Black spruce, brush and tundra. 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
Railbelt Complex	AK	FAS	632,103	65	N/A	N/A	630	-13	21	6	8	0	14.1M	ST
Crazy Mountain Complex	AK	UYD	447,000	0	N/A	N/A	351	-21	13	6	3	0	4.8M	BLM
Hardluck Creek	AK	FAS	13,213	0	10	UNK	462	32	14	3	5	3	1.6M	ST
Rock Slough	AK	UYD	61,467	0	N/A	N/A	79	-2	3	0	0	0	5.2M	FWS

### **Southern California Area (PL 2)**

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

**La Brea**, Los Padres NF. IMT1 (Pincha-Tulley). NIMO (Custer). Twenty-one miles east of Santa Maria, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with torching and long-range spotting.

**Knight**, Stanislaus NF. Ten miles north of Twain Harte, CA. Timber and brush. 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
La Brea	CA	LPF	14,778	4,278	0	UNK	1,054	474	31	15	7	0	800K	FS
Knight	CA	STF	6,130	0	95	8/11	51	-127	2	1	0	0	11.9M	FS

**Northern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 18  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 4  
 Type 1 IMTs committed 1

**SHU Lightning** (3 fires), Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT1 (Wenham). Three miles northeast of Burney, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Road closures in effect. Evacuations in effect.

**Hat Creek Complex**, Lassen NF. Transfer of command from IMT2 (Molhoek) back to the local unit occurred yesterday. Nineteen miles southeast of Old Station, CA. Timber and brush. Smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Fairfield**, Lassen Volcanic National Park. Confine/contain management strategy. Ten miles southeast of Old Station, CA. Timber litter. Moderate fire activity with isolated single-tree torching. 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
SHU Lightning	CA	SHU	15,954	850	67	8/13	2,078	3	32	46	14	0	16.9M	ST
Hat Creek Complex	CA	LNF	11,269	0	90	8/12	243	-350	6	7	1	0	7.7M	FS
* Fairfield	CA	LNP	115	---	N/A	N/A	62	---	2	0	0	0	NR	NPS

**Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 5  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed 1

**Big Pole**, Salt Lake Field Office, BLM. IMT2 (Ourada). Twelve miles west of Grantsville, UT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

**Hansel Valley**, Bear River Area, Utah DOF. Nine miles west of Howell, UT. Juniper, 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
Big Pole	UT	SLD	44,200	0	60	UNK	397	-76	10	6	6	13	1.6M	BLM
Hansel Valley	UT	BRS	1,370	---	90	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	ST

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
Broken Ridge	UT	SWS	4,460	0	100	---	5	-136	0	2	0	0	NR	ST

SWS – Southwest Area, Utah DOF

### **Southwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 8  
 New large fires: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: 7

**Rim**, Tonto NF. Twelve miles northeast of Payson, AZ. Heavy logging slash. Interior smoldering.

**Weimer**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Nine miles north of Forest Lakes, AZ. Timber. No new information.

**Crossing**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Thirteen miles northwest of Forest Lakes, AZ. Logging slash. No new information.

**Radar**, Gila NF. Twelve miles west of Buckhorn, NM. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Cinder Hills**, Coconino NF. Twelve miles northeast of Flagstaff, AZ. Hardwood litter and timber. Smoldering.

\* **Reservoir**, Coconino NF. Seven miles east of Clints Well, AZ. Timber, slash and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Residences threatened.

**Cabresto Mesa**, Carson NF. Fifteen miles east of Bloomfield, NM. Timber and chaparral. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

\* **Wildcat**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Confine/contain management strategy. Seventeen miles southwest of Alpine, AZ. Grass. Backing fire. 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	\$\$ D	Origin Own
Rim	AZ	TNF	2,500	0	90	8/15	59	-47	2	3	1	0	1.1M	FS
Weimer	AZ	ASF	1,200	---	NR	UNK	84	---	4	1	0	0	20K	FS
Crossing	AZ	ASF	1,100	---	NR	UNK	209	---	8	8	1	0	300K	FS
Radar	NM	GNF	367	---	90	UNK	40	---	1	3	0	0	NR	FS
Cinder Hills	AZ	COF	256	10	80	8/30	25	0	1	1	0	0	31K	FS
* Reservoir	AZ	COF	150	---	50	8/12	103	---	4	2	2	0	250K	FS
Cabresto Mesa	NM	CAF	100	---	20	UNK	124	---	4	10	0	0	80K	FS
* Wildcat	AZ	ASF	525	---	N/A	N/A	9	---	0	2	0	0	NR	FS

### **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 2  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1

**Narraguinnep**, San Juan NF. Twelve miles southeast of Dove Creek, CO. Mixed hardwoods, chaparral and grass. Active fire behavior.

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
Narraguinnep	CO	SJF	5,343	636	25	8/17	197	81	5	12	2	0	581K	FS
Mellen	CO	WRD	3,603	258	100	---	17	-18	1	5	0	0	NR	BLM
Scenery Gulch	CO	RBX	380	0	100	---	35	-20	0	1	1	0	NR	CNTY

WRD – White River Field Office, BLM RBX – Rio Blanco County, CO

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

New fires: 17  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 4  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**2009 Summer Wildfire Response**, Texas Forest Service. Texas IMT2 (Hannemann). IMT is supporting multiple fires in the state.

**Premont Complex** (3 fires), Texas Forest Service. Juniper and grass. Twenty-four miles southwest of Kingsville, TX. 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
2009 Summer Wildfire Response	TX	TXS	8,347	171	0	UNK	304	6	0	5	3	16	7M	ST
Premont Complex	TX	TXS	306	0	90	8/11	19	3	0	2	3	0	NR	ST
* Pleasant Plains	NC	NCS	140	---	100	---	2	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST

NCS – North Carolina Division of Forestry Resources

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Hot and dry weather will expand from coast to coast across the southern half of the country, building northward through the Great Basin into the Northern Rockies. Thunderstorms expected across New Mexico and northwest Texas into southern Colorado. Continued cool across Alaska with showers.

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



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

### **Power Line Safety**

Operating near or under power lines poses unique hazards, and the following precautions should be followed to reduce potential equipment damage or injury:

- If possible, the power company should deactivate lines in the fire area.
- Don't operate heavy equipment under power lines.
- Don't use right-of-ways as a jump or cargo drop spot.
- Don't drive with long antennas under power lines.
- Don't stand near power lines during retardant drops.
- Don't park under power lines. The magnetic field around energized power lines can induce an electrical charge in ungrounded vehicles or equipment. This charge can shock anyone who touches the vehicle.
- Don't apply straight stream to power lines.
- All personnel should be cautioned that smoke may become charged and conduct the electrical current. Deactivated transmission and distribution lines may continue to pose a hazard due to induction.
- If power lines fall on your vehicle, DON'T leave the vehicle until the power company arrives. If the vehicle is on fire or fire is near, jump clear, don't hang on, keep feet together, and bunny hop away.

### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES		3		1		7	11
	ACRES		3		0		3	6
Northern California	FIRES				0	13	5	18
	ACRES				115	2	552	669
Southern California	FIRES	1	3		0	2	1	7
	ACRES	0	1		6	9	1,515	1,531
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	2			3	5	11
	ACRES	9	2			0	0	11
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2				3	5
	ACRES		40				64	104
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		0			0		0
Southwest	FIRES	3			0		5	8
	ACRES	3,206			604		1,345	5,155
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	0				1	1	2
	ACRES	75				30	2,119	2,224
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			1		15	1	17
	ACRES			4		200	1	205
TOTAL	FIRES	5	11	1	1	37	28	83
	ACRES	3,290	46	4	725	241	5,599	9,905

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	48	40	20	371	23	503
	ACRES	1	745,601	749,142	103,076	1,315,332	9	2,913,161
Northwest	FIRES	358	247	7	70	892	956	2,530
	ACRES	5,604	19,557	13	1,649	5,404	9,793	42,020
Northern California	FIRES	94	57	3	24	1,910	726	2,814
	ACRES	90	1,531	4	211	25,110	27,794	54,740
Southern California	FIRES	32	123	11	22	2,317	429	2,934
	ACRES	82	916	24	769	9,321	24,991	36,103
Northern Rockies	FIRES	586	83	15	19	508	598	1,809
	ACRES	1,655	1,071	393	2	16,261	5,432	24,814
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	38	396	3	24	385	305	1,151
	ACRES	103	174,714	186	2,120	11,009	12,360	200,492
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	317	9	9	87	102	534
	ACRES	2,440	17,553	150	20	340	252	20,755
Southwest	FIRES	643	252	9	40	805	942	2,691
	ACRES	36,794	92,677	3,842	6,563	287,381	93,663	520,920
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	407	344	15	18	534	236	1,554
	ACRES	1,858	9,017	533	65	70,817	6,413	88,703
Eastern Area	FIRES	425		30	27	11,568	522	12,572
	ACRES	1,239		809	110	103,468	6,599	112,225
Southern Area	FIRES	298		215	53	29,551	557	30,674
	ACRES	35,259		43,450	43,957	867,130	27,006	1,016,802
TOTAL	FIRES	2,892	1,867	357	326	48,928	5,396	59,766
	ACRES	85,125	1,062,637	798,546	158,542	2,711,573	214,312	5,030,735

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>56,081</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,534,663</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							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						1	1
	ACRES						200	200
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1,642	1,642
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1,842	1,842

### 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	107	19	2	19	88	250
	ACRES	7,122	7,946	4,068	31	231	12,361	31,759
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	20	46	26	152	286
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,582	1,450	2,891	7,260	40,922
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	6	1	115	138
	ACRES		564	748	1,117	195	8,627	11,251
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	26	79	2	24	182	336
	ACRES	2,062	4,106	18,679	345	2,241	17,479	44,912
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	21	4	7	22	84	139
	ACRES	8	3,986	1,225	282	180	13,940	19,621
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2			5	15
	ACRES		1,812	62			219	2,093
Southwest	FIRES	26	29	3	4		220	282
	ACRES	2,046	54,390	501	530		109,576	167,043
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	65	46	111	10	45	121	398
	ACRES	7,304	4,759	19,084	5,851	1,564	28,302	66,864
Eastern Area	FIRES	67		436	43	1,787	176	2,509
	ACRES	72,214		66,378	9,201	82,079	46,444	276,316
Southern Area	FIRES	6		257	81	811	1,078	2,233
	ACRES	2,450		130,585	90,852	302,484	986,479	1,512,850
TOTAL	FIRES	229	260	940	201	2,744	2,221	6,595
	ACRES	93,430	80,078	267,912	109,659	395,203	1,230,687	2,176,969

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### Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	0	594	2,085	112,177
Yukon Territory	1	9	118	268,835
Alberta	13	6	1,321	64,239
Northwest Territory	0	101	38	1,871
Saskatchewan	0	0	466	37,734
Manitoba	1	0	131	2,437
Ontario	1	0	318	20,620
Quebec	0	0	418	122,525
Newfoundland	0	0	163	52,593
New Brunswick	1	3	159	236
Nova Scotia	0	0	151	935
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	121	37,772
Total	17	713	5,489	721,975

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

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