

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, August 13, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (116 new fires)
 New large fires: 4 (*)
 Large fires contained: 4
 Uncontained large fires : ** 26
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 4
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 7

Nationally, there are 101 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.

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 19
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed 2

La Brea, Los Padres NF. Unified Command between IMT1 (Pincha-Tulley) and Cal Fire IMT1 (Lewin). Twenty-one miles east of Santa Maria, CA. Chaparral and grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Evacuations 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
La Brea	CA	LPF	29,480	8,451	10	UNK	1,641	364	48	29	10	0	5.2M	FS

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 24
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 Type 1 IMTs committed 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed 1

* **Coffin**, Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. One mile northwest of Lewiston, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Residences threatened. Town of Lewiston evacuated.

* **Summit**, Mendocino NF. IMT2 (Swarzlander). Twenty-five miles west of Stonyford, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and crowning.

SHU Lightning (3 fires), Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT1 (Wenham). Three miles northeast of Burney, CA. Timber. No further information received. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
* Coffin	CA	SHU	1,200	---	0	8/14	453	---	9	16	2	0	NR	ST
* Summit	CA	MNF	120	---	0	UNK	79	---	4	0	4	0	NR	FS
SHU Lightning	CA	SHU	16,881	-273	69	8/14	2,024	-11	32	36	14	0	21.5M	ST

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 19
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 6
 Type 2 IMTs committed 1

Chevlon Complex (3 fires), Apache-Sitgreaves NF. IMT2 (Nelson). Eleven miles northwest of Forest Lakes, AZ. Timber, logging slash and grass. Minimal fire activity with isolated torching. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Rim, Tonto NF. Twelve miles northeast of Payson, AZ. Heavy logging slash. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Woodchute, Prescott NF. Previously reported as a confine /contain incident. Fourteen miles northeast of Prescott, AZ. Timber. Smoldering and creeping.

Cinder Hills, Coconino NF. Twelve miles northeast of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber and hardwood litter. No new information.

Moore, Gila NF. Previously reported incident being managed for resource benefit objectives. Forty-five miles northeast of Silver City, NM. Grass and timber. Backing fire. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Main, Cibola NF. Confine/contain management strategy. Seventeen miles southeast of Albuquerque, NM. Ponderosa pine, juniper and oak. Minimal fire activity. 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
Chevlon Complex	AZ	ASF	6,369	0	30	UNK	301	-79	10	15	3	0	2.1M	FS
Rim	AZ	TNF	2,500	---	90	8/15	59	---	2	3	1	0	1.1M	FS
Woodchute	AZ	PNF	779	---	80	8/14	150	---	5	9	2	0	714K	FS
Cinder Hills	AZ	COF	257	1	90	8/30	25	0	1	1	0	0	41K	FS
Moore	NM	GNF	4,100	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Main	NM	CIF	275	15	N/A	N/A	166	22	9	0	0	0	473K	FS
Reservoir	AZ	COF	156	6	100	---	78	-25	3	2	0	0	350K	FS

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires: 0
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 8
Type 2 IMTs committed 3

Railbelt Complex (2 fires), Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT2 (Doty). Twelve miles southwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tussock with mixed hardwood litter. Moderate fire activity. Residences 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. 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	632,353	250	N/A	N/A	571	-23	20	6	8	0	15.3M	ST
Crazy Mountain Complex	AK	UYD	447,420	420	N/A	N/A	237	-114	8	5	3	0	5.7M	BLM
Hardluck Creek	AK	FAS	13,213	0	25	UNK	501	29	16	3	4	3	2.4M	ST
Rock Slough	AK	UYD	61,467	0	N/A	N/A	0	-42	0	0	0	0	5.1M	FWS

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 20
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

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

Cougar Ridge, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Twelve miles south of Wallowa, OR. Timber. 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
Williams Creek	OR	UPF	8,386	586	75	8/16	742	-34	18	26	6	0	12.3M	FS
Cougar Ridge	OR	WWF	222	0	90	8/13	108	0	3	0	2	0	1.3M	FS
Discovery	WA	OWF	4,178	0	100	---	233	-149	5	5	1	0	7.6M	FS
Tiller Complex	OR	UPF	118	0	100	---	114	-7	3	5	1	0	4.3M	FS

OWF – Okanogan/Wenatchee NF

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Big Pole, Salt Lake Field Office, BLM. Twelve miles west of Grantsville, UT. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

Eightmile Creek, Boise NF. Previously reported confine/contain incident. Ten miles northeast of Lowman, ID. Grass, brush and timber. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Cooper Spring**, Manti-Lasal NF. Confine/contain management strategy. Twenty-six miles northwest of Blanding, UT. 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
Big Pole	UT	SLD	44,344	0	70	UNK	138	-138	4	2	2	11	2.2M	BLM
Eightmile Creek	ID	BOF	1,264	---	N/A	N/A	2	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
* Cooper Spring	UT	MLF	939	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires: 6
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Narraguinep, San Juan NF. Twelve miles southeast of Dove Creek, CO. Mixed hardwoods, chaparral and grass. Moderate 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
Narraguinep	CO	SJF	5,520	-273	60	8/17	262	5	6	15	5	0	1.2M	FS

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 11
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

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

Hopper, Texas Forest Service. Twelve miles northwest of Encino, TX. Oak, mesquite and grass. Active fire behavior.

* **Hollis Birthday**, Sabine National Wildlife Refuge, FWS. Confine/contain management strategy. Six miles southeast of Hackberry, LA. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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2009 Summer Wildfire Response	TX	TXS	8,468	102	0	UNK	314	-1	0	5	3	16	7.6M	ST
Hopper	TX	TXS	2,625	1,625	80	8/13	28	16	0	7	3	0	NR	ST
* Hollis Birthday	LA	SBR	1,200	---	20	8/18	7	---	0	1	1	0	6K	FWS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 10
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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
Silesia	MT	SOS	500	0	100	---	0	-36	0	0	0	0	40K	ST

SOS – Southern Land Office, Montana DNR

Predictive Services Discussion: Gusty southwest winds of 15 to 30 mph with low humidity expected across northeast California and northwestern Nevada and into far southern Oregon. Continued hot and dry across Southern California. Scattered, mainly wet thunderstorms across the four corners states. Cooler with scattered showers from Pacific Northwest through the Northern Rockies. Continued cool and moist across Alaska.

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



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

Instructions and Assignments not Clear

Every firefighter will give and receive briefings at some point on the job. Briefings are an effective way to disseminate information that can make the firefighter's job safer and easier. When giving a briefing, it is important to keep the following questions in mind and remain perceptive to how the audience is receiving the information:

- Did they ask questions? Talk about what it is like giving a briefing. Do you get empty stares? What feedback are you looking for to ensure they understand you?
- Did they take notes? What kind of information would you like to see people write down?
- Did they repeat information back? What other ways can you identify that your briefing is registering?
- Did you give all the necessary information? How will you ensure that you covered everything necessary?
 - Task
 - Location
 - Communications
 - Hazards
 - Who, when, etc.
- It is also important for the firefighter who is receiving instructions to be mindful of the following during the briefing:
 - Did you really listen? What do you do to make yourself pay attention to everything being said?
 - Did you understand the assignment, location, and the nature and location of hazards? Do you expect to figure it out for yourself when you get out there or do you step forward and ask questions?
- To reduce the risks, take the time and get it right!
- You must know the location of the assignment and:
 - What is to be done.
 - Who you are to report to and how often to report.
 - When you are expected to complete the assignment.
 - Hazards.
 - Communication plan frequencies.
 - Weather and fire behavior.
 - Status of adjoining forces.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1			7	12	20
	ACRES		1			5	14	20
Northern California	FIRES	2				16	6	24
	ACRES	1				108	2	111
Southern California	FIRES		2		0	14	3	19
	ACRES		1		10	36	5,000	5,047
Northern Rockies	FIRES					6	4	10
	ACRES					9	1	10
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			1	4	7
	ACRES		5			2	201	208
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	5		1		3	10	19
	ACRES	4,855		1		1	20	4,877
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	1			1	3	6
	ACRES	2	9			2	2	15
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					11		11
	ACRES					120		120
TOTAL	FIRES	8	6	1	0	59	42	116
	ACRES	4,858	16	1	10	283	5,240	10,408

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	48	41	20	372	23	505
	ACRES	1	752,118	752,289	101,406	1,315,396	9	2,921,219
Northwest	FIRES	358	263	12	70	896	994	2,593
	ACRES	5,604	19,565	124	1,649	6,439	9,832	43,213
Northern California	FIRES	96	57	3	24	1,751	742	2,673
	ACRES	91	1,531	4	211	22,138	28,105	52,080
Southern California	FIRES	32	125	13	22	2,342	434	2,968
	ACRES	82	917	25	783	9,359	40,003	51,169
Northern Rockies	FIRES	588	88	15	19	504	579	1,793
	ACRES	1,656	1,080	393	2	16,607	5,461	25,199
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	38	391	3	24	359	309	1,124
	ACRES	103	65,231	186	2,120	9,065	13,934	90,639
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	318	9	9	88	101	535
	ACRES	2,440	17,500	150	20	340	277	20,727
Southwest	FIRES	649	253	10	40	810	956	2,718
	ACRES	42,004	92,677	3,843	6,863	287,383	96,389	529,159
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	415	347	15	18	538	244	1,577
	ACRES	1,898	9,012	533	65	70,827	6,887	89,222
Eastern Area	FIRES	432		30	27	11,673	522	12,684
	ACRES	1,239		809	110	103,507	6,599	112,264
Southern Area	FIRES	298		217	53	31,162	557	32,287
	ACRES	35,259		43,526	43,957	905,292	27,006	1,055,040
TOTAL	FIRES	2,917	1,890	368	326	50,495	5,461	61,457
	ACRES	90,377	959,631	801,882	157,186	2,746,353	234,502	4,989,931

Ten Year Average Fires	56,860
Ten Year Average Acres	4,666,773

*** 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							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			15				15
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						186	186
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	3	4
	ACRES	0	0	15	0	0	186	201

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	1	88	232
	ACRES	7,122	7,946	4,068	31	1	12,361	31,529
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	20	46	25	152	285
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,582	1,450	2,876	7,260	40,907
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	6	1	115	138
	ACRES		564	748	1,117	195	8,627	11,251
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	26	76	2	23	182	332
	ACRES	2,062	4,106	18,988	345	2,201	17,479	45,181
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	33	3	4		220	286
	ACRES	2,046	59,850	501	530		109,576	172,503
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	65	46	112	10	45	121	399
	ACRES	7,304	4,759	19,099	5,851	1,564	28,302	66,879
Eastern Area	FIRES	67		436	43	1,787	176	2,509
	ACRES	72,214		66,378	9,201	82,078	46,444	276,315
Southern Area	FIRES	6		257	81	805	1,077	2,226
	ACRES	2,450		130,585	90,852	295,356	986,632	1,505,875
TOTAL	FIRES	229	264	938	201	2,718	2,220	6,570
	ACRES	93,430	85,538	268,236	109,659	387,789	1,230,840	2,175,492

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	62	3,023	2,231	121,949
Yukon Territory	0	7	118	268,842
Alberta	4	1	1,330	64,241
Northwest Territory	1	0	39	1,872
Saskatchewan	0	2	469	37,743
Manitoba	3	14	134	2,451
Ontario	1	0	319	20,620
Quebec	0	0	418	122,525
Newfoundland	0	0	163	52,593
New Brunswick	0	0	160	235
Nova Scotia	0	0	151	935
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	120	35,976
Total	71	3,048	5,652	729,981

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

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