

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, September 23, 2009 – 0530 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (89 new fires)  
 New large fires: 3 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 0  
 Uncontained large fires : \*\* 7  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Nationally, there are 67 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.

**Northwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 12  
 New large fires: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: 4  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Boze**, Umpqua NF. NIMO (Cable). Nine miles southwest of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior.

**Tumblebug Complex**, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Ensley). Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with group-tree torching and spotting.

\* **Deer Ridge**, Medford Unit, Oregon DOF. Four miles northeast of Medford, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping fire with isolated torching. Residences threatened.

\* **Siskiyou**, Medford Unit, Oregon DOF. Two miles southeast of Ashland, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping fire with isolated torching. Residences 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
Boze	OR	UPF	7,000	4,900	20	10/15	542	10	18	17	5	0	2.8M	FS
Tumblebug Complex	OR	WIF	3,500	2,000	5	UNK	828	199	21	25	7	0	3.8M	FS
* Deer Ridge	OR	711S	633	---	45	9/24	611	---	25	22	9	0	772K	ST
* Siskiyou	OR	711S	190	---	85	9/24	250	---	7	26	9	4	456K	ST

### **Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 13  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 2  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

\* **Guiberson**, Ventura County FD. Cal Fire IMT1 (Lewin). Three miles southeast of Fillmore, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Station**, Angeles NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Four miles north of La Canada, CA. Chaparral. Minimal 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
* Guiberson	CA	VNC	6,000	---	0	9/24	724	---	18	84	12	0	NR	CNTY
Station	CA	ANF	160,557	0	94	9/24	851	22	18	32	9	209	NR	FS

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

New fires: 26  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1

**Pine**, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Four miles southwest of Cobb, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with long-range spotting. Residences and major power line threatened. 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
Pine	CA	LNU	350	0	75	UNK	626	321	30	21	2	0	240K	ST

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Strong high pressure shifting inland from the west coast will continue to bring gusty offshore winds and elevated fire potential today to Southern California, while allowing a more moist onshore flow into far western portions of Washington, Oregon and northern California. Offshore winds will diminish across southern California on Thursday, while the trend of further moistening across western portions of Washington, Oregon and northern California will continue. Much of the west will continue to have very dry and warm weather.

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



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

### **Chainsaw Safety**

Chainsaw safety is every saw operator's job.

- Always wear proper P.P.E. when handling or working around chainsaws.
  - Eye protection- approved goggles or safety glasses (no sunglasses)
  - Chainsaw Chaps- proper size and length
  - Gloves-proper size
  - Long sleeve shirt-no loose sleeves
  - Leather boots-no loose boot laces
  
- Take the time to inspect the chainsaw before operating the saw.
  - Check the chain and bar- Sharpness of chain, Bar seated correctly
  - Check the bolts and screws all around the saw- no missing screws or bolts
  - Check the casing of the saw- no cracked or missing plastic
  
- Make sure you're aware of your surroundings while operating the chainsaw.
  - Look for people working in your area- advise all personnel you're operating the saw.
  - Look for any snags or hazards in your area- look up for power lines, widow makers, etc.
  - Make sure you always have a spotter or swamper to use for communications.
  - Always watch your footing while operating the saw- loose, rocky, steep terrain can cause you to slip while the chainsaw is running.
  
- Always make sure you are comfortable doing the task at hand.
  - Proper training for personnel running saws.
  - While falling trees know your escape route.
  - If you are not comfortable falling the tree walk away. Notify your supervisor and mitigate the safety issues or turn down the assignment.

### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
Northwest	FIRES	1	1			4	6	12
	ACRES	1	0			30	2,000	2,031
Northern California	FIRES					24	2	26
	ACRES					27	0	27
Southern California	FIRES				0	10	3	13
	ACRES				7	183	0	190
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2				2	1	5
	ACRES	1				1	59	61
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			3	4	9
	ACRES		2			100	54	156
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1	1				6	8
	ACRES	1	0				2	3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	1			1		3
	ACRES	1	0			0		1
Eastern Area	FIRES	2				4		6
	ACRES	1				1		2
Southern Area	FIRES					5	1	6
	ACRES					5	0	5
TOTAL	FIRES	7	5	0	0	54	23	89
	ACRES	5	2	0	7	348	2,115	2,477

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	50	41	21	377	26	516
	ACRES	1	763,843	753,545	101,189	1,321,300	10	2,939,888
Northwest	FIRES	380	305	25	74	1,006	1,331	3,121
	ACRES	6,737	27,028	2,352	2,220	55,700	30,556	124,593
Northern California	FIRES	149	62	3	37	2,314	848	3,413
	ACRES	126	1,533	4	1,754	60,197	35,405	99,019
Southern California	FIRES	42	177	16	32	3,040	533	3,840
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	45	10,250	22,948	261,639	300,679
Northern Rockies	FIRES	737	120	17	31	607	795	2,307
	ACRES	2,558	1,017	397	193	23,259	12,453	39,877
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	48	534	4	29	572	535	1,722
	ACRES	106	59,750	226	2,225	19,674	38,864	120,845
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	392	9	10	107	133	661
	ACRES	2,440	28,987	150	20	297	284	32,178
Southwest	FIRES	793	259	10	63	1,878	1,291	4,294
	ACRES	46,684	89,391	3,843	8,010	288,098	136,128	572,154
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	556	417	19	25	674	376	2,067
	ACRES	2,579	9,191	534	67	72,392	7,950	92,713
Eastern Area	FIRES	438		30	29	12,818	567	13,882
	ACRES	1,241		809	110	112,997	6,701	121,858
Southern Area	FIRES	298		234	54	33,498	572	34,656
	ACRES	35,259		44,205	44,166	973,189	30,994	1,127,813
TOTAL	FIRES	3,452	2,316	408	405	56,891	7,007	70,479
	ACRES	99,320	984,948	806,110	170,204	2,950,051	560,984	5,571,617

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>66,826</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,191,742</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	0
	ACRES						70	70
Northwest	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		1,000					1,000
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1,000	1,000
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						200	200
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					20	3	23
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1,369	1,369
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	0	1	4	6
	ACRES	0	1,000	0	0	20	2,642	3,662

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					3,338	78	3,416
Northwest	FIRES	14	118	14	4	1	78	229
	ACRES	6,132	31,099	2,924	47	1	23,233	63,436
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	22	46	20	100	230
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,585	1,450	2,512	6,398	39,684
Southern California	FIRES	1	7	9	7	1	116	141
	ACRES	1	564	748	1,248	195	8,628	11,384
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	26	85	2	27	207	370
	ACRES	2,062	4,321	21,428	345	2,295	24,441	54,892
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	4	7	23	86	144
	ACRES	8	11,320	1,225	282	201	15,893	28,929
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2			6	11
	ACRES		1,452	62			859	2,373
Southwest	FIRES	40	31	3	4		234	312
	ACRES	9,485	50,780	501	530		120,176	181,472
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	70	37	130	14	48	130	429
	ACRES	7,661	4,170	20,681	7,678	1,662	29,284	71,136
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		497	47	2,588	272	3,475
	ACRES	72,342		69,630	9,226	150,173	46,610	347,981
Southern Area	FIRES	6		284	85	816	1,110	2,301
	ACRES	2,450		150,289	92,929	299,369	1,003,882	1,548,919
TOTAL	FIRES	252	261	1,050	216	3,533	2,340	7,652
	ACRES	100,365	106,221	294,073	113,735	459,746	1,279,482	2,353,622

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### Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	84	1,916	3,012	212,547
Yukon Territory	0	0	118	294,907
Alberta	34	0	1,506	64,266
Northwest Territory	0	0	41	1,955
Saskatchewan	10	13	505	37,776
Manitoba	4	8	158	2,813
Ontario	14	27	352	20,650
Quebec	16	0	467	122,685
Newfoundland	5	1	176	52,593
New Brunswick	3	2	183	248
Nova Scotia	6	2	166	931
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	128	36,957
Total	176	1,968	6,812	848,329

**\*\*\* CIFFC table updated weekly \*\*\***

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

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