

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, December 18, 2009 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)

Initial attack activity: Light (39 new fires)
 New large fires: 1 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires : ** 0
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 9 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.

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 27
 New large fires: 1
 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
* Maryweather	TX	TXS	580	---	100	---	35	---	1	11	1	0	NR	PRI

TXS – Texas Forest Service

Predictive Services Discussion: Southern California will see warm and dry conditions this weekend in combination with gusty offshore winds, however moist fuel conditions will limit fire potential. A storm system moving into the Northwest early next week will bring rain and snow to much of the West in the Sunday through Wednesday timeframe. Dry and mild weather will continue across the southern Plains into early next week. A very wet weather system will move across the Southeast this weekend followed by another storm late next week.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.

TAKING A NAP NEAR THE FIRELINE

Firefighting is often exhausting work and firefighters can find themselves needing to sleep while on the fireline. Before pausing to rest, firefighters must weigh the following considerations:

- Are lookouts posted? Discuss who that lookout can be. Can the lookout on the knob across the draw watch over you or does it need to be your partner on the fireline alternating rest times?
- Is the area free of hazards? (Falling snags or rolling materials) Discuss what you need to do to create a safe resting area.
- Are you still within agency work and rest guidelines? Review what these guidelines are.
- Does your crew need a break? Have they been pushed too hard? Talk about situations where you need to simply take yourself and/or your crew off the fire for uninterrupted rest.
- To reduce risks:
 - Keep lookouts posted; rotate lookouts.
 - Communicate crew conditions and status to supervisor or chain-of-command contact. Have firefighters discuss ways that they find to rest on the fireline and suggestions for methods to alternate shifts for more effective firefighting.

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations
Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Northern California	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					0		0
Southern California	FIRES					1	0	1
	ACRES					0	0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	6				20	1	27
	ACRES	0				620	0	620
TOTAL	FIRES	8	1	0	0	29	1	39
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	620	0	620

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	49	42	21	387	27	527
	ACRES	1	766,969	759,664	101,190	1,323,758	15	2,951,597
Northwest	FIRES	391	324	26	78	1,099	1,546	3,464
	ACRES	9,573	30,770	2,353	2,224	56,849	76,190	177,959
Northern California	FIRES	157	64	4	40	3,386	880	4,531
	ACRES	1,465	1,535	5	1,759	66,055	39,615	110,434
Southern California	FIRES	45	187	16	33	3,639	1,207	5,127
	ACRES	1,591	4,209	45	6,021	24,645	751,994	788,505
Northern Rockies	FIRES	844	145	23	33	649	862	2,556
	ACRES	6,212	1,484	676	10,878	25,085	24,681	69,016
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	547	5	29	642	537	1,809
	ACRES	106	48,994	226	7,377	26,967	51,363	135,033
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	407	9	12	106	143	687
	ACRES	2,440	29,479	150	22	956	318	33,365
Southwest	FIRES	879	330	11	66	929	1,377	3,592
	ACRES	82,468	93,432	8,843	8,132	288,998	200,389	682,262
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	754	482	19	30	758	413	2,456
	ACRES	3,700	11,442	535	50	74,533	15,143	105,403
Eastern Area	FIRES	442		46	34	14,866	642	16,030
	ACRES	1,254		928	113	121,941	7,359	131,595
Southern Area	FIRES	750		242	48	36,751	581	38,372
	ACRES	91,408		48,411	44,155	1,009,910	30,426	1,224,310
TOTAL	FIRES	4,322	2,535	443	424	63,212	8,215	79,151
	ACRES	200,218	988,314	821,836	181,921	3,019,697	1,197,493	6,409,479

Six Year Average Fires	76,748
Six Year Average Acres	7,737,228

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		9	0			7	16
	ACRES		442	39			233	714
Northern California	FIRES		3		1		23	27
	ACRES		127		2		1,829	1,958
Southern California	FIRES		0				24	24
	ACRES		38				7	45
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2						2
	ACRES	5						5
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1					2	3
	ACRES	27					215	242
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0		0		7	7
	ACRES		36		5		2,158	2,199
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			1	8	5	4	18
	ACRES			46	6,845	3,800	4,110	14,801
TOTAL	FIRES	3	12	1	9	5	67	97
	ACRES	32	643	85	6,852	3,800	8,552	19,964

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					290		290
Northwest	FIRES	48	322	88	4	1	405	868
	ACRES	16,026	44,344	7,041	47	1	62,119	129,578
Northern California	FIRES	29	34	32	88	24	372	579
	ACRES	294	2,689	28,547	5,416	2,541	27,726	67,213
Southern California	FIRES	1	12	15	11	1	196	236
	ACRES	1	944	2,162	1,465	195	17,916	22,683
Northern Rockies	FIRES	51	27	92	6	162	395	733
	ACRES	9,975	1,709	21,824	357	9,516	30,422	73,803
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	39	7	15	69	173	305
	ACRES	117	14,654	1,635	359	5,225	38,876	60,866
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	4			6	15
	ACRES		1,657	362			859	2,878
Southwest	FIRES	1,881	28	3	7		695	2,614
	ACRES	40,705	54,032	501	963		145,165	241,366
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	84	58	137	21	76	236	612
	ACRES	8,908	6,853	22,370	7,933	3,117	44,345	93,526
Eastern Area	FIRES	73		583	57	2,553	242	3,508
	ACRES	72,492		80,520	9,833	137,198	60,308	360,351
Southern Area	FIRES	10		303	592	853	1,475	3,233
	ACRES	3,180		163,793	102,418	315,967	796,118	1,381,476
TOTAL	FIRES	2,179	525	1,264	801	3,740	4,195	12,704
	ACRES	151,698	126,882	328,755	128,791	474,050	1,223,854	2,434,030

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

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