

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, August 22, 2010 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (132 new fires)
 New large fires: 11 (*)
 Large fires contained: 0
 Uncontained large fires: ** 25
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 6

Nationally, there are 52 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy. **

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

Interagency personnel are assigned to a number of locations in the Gulf of Mexico to assess and mitigate impacts resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

- Support to the Fish and Wildlife Service includes these areas: Bayou Sauvage NWR (LA), Big Branch Marsh NWR (LA), Breton NWR (LA), Delta NWR (LA), Shell Key NWR (LA), Bon Secour NWR (AL), Grand Bay NWR (AL), St. Vincent NWR (FL), and McFaddin NWR (TX).

- Support to the National Park Service includes these areas: Gulf Islands National Seashore (FL), Jean Lafitte Park and Preserve (LA), Everglades National Park (FL), Dry Tortugas (FL), Biscayne National Park (FL), De Soto National Memorial (FL) and Big Cypress National Preserve (FL).

BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	USFS
1	3	543	105	20

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 17
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 12
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

White Lightning Complex (five fires), Warm Springs Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (West). Fifteen miles north of Warm Springs, OR. Mixed timber, brush and grass. Running fire. Numerous structures threatened.

Oak Flat, Rogue River – Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Ten miles northwest of Selma, OR. Closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with group tree torching. Structures threatened.

Lower Deschutes Complex (four fires), Prineville District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Rapp) back to local unit will occur tomorrow. Five miles north of Maupin, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Smoldering.

* **View Lake**, Mt. Hood NF. Fifteen miles northeast of Idanha, OR. Logging slash. Moderate fire activity with short-range spotting and isolated torching. Area closures and evacuations in effect. Structures threatened.

Hilltop, Pacific Cascade Region, Washington DNR. Twenty miles southeast of Yaacolt, WA. Heavy logging slash. Creeping and 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
White Lightning Complex	OR	WSA	10,445	4,765	5	UNK	647	285	27	29	3	2	1.2M	BIA
Oak Flat	OR	RSF	2,950	850	40	8/31	1,108	-18	33	34	7	0	6M	FS
Lower Deschutes Complex	OR	PRD	9,200	3,700	90	8/23	316	-2	8	10	4	0	1.3M	BLM
* View Lake	OR	MHF	125	---	0	NR	240	---	10	4	3	0	375K	FS
Hilltop	WA	PCS	110	0	74	8/23	175	-5	NR	15	0	0	819K	ST

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 12
 New large fires: 6
 Uncontained large fires: 8
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Bowen**, Power County. Three miles northeast of Arbon, ID. Mixed timber, brush and grass. Running crown fire. Residences threatened. Voluntary evacuations in effect.

* **Banner**, Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Wilde). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. A portion of Highway 21 is closed. Evacuations in effect.

* **Long Butte**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Thirty-five miles south of Glens Ferry, ID. Hardwood slash and brush. Running fire with spotting.

* **Turn**, Boise District, BLM. Thirteen miles west of Grasmere, ID. Brush. Active fire behavior.

* **Blacksheep**, Boise District, BLM. Eight miles northeast of Grasmere, ID. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

* **Big Draw 2**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Thirty-five miles south of Glens Ferry, ID. Hardwood slash and brush. Running fire with spotting.

Mule Creek, Twin Falls County. Four miles northeast of Jackpot, NV. Brush. No new information.

Deer Park, Sawtooth NF. Fifteen miles northwest of Fairfield, ID. Timber. No new information.

Bull, Bridger-Teton NF. Previously reported incident. Eight miles east of Hoback Junction, WY. Timber. Creeping with isolated group tree torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Mustang, Arizona Strip Field Office, BLM. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles south of St. George, UT. Hardwood slash and brush. Running fire with isolated torching and short-range spotting. 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
* Bowen	ID	2PN	2,000	---	20	8/23	72	---	1	7	1	1	125K	CNTY

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* Banner	ID	SCF	1,000	---	0	UNK	333	---	11	17	6	0	500K	FS
* Long Butte	ID	TFD	1,000	---	30	8/23	13	---	0	2	0	0	25K	BLM
* Turn	ID	BOD	500	---	0	UNK	30	---	0	4	1	0	7.5K	BLM
* Blacksheep	ID	BOD	500	---	0	8/22	20	---	0	4	0	0	10K	BLM
* Big Draw 2	ID	TFD	500	---	20	UNK	12	---	0	2	0	0	20K	BLM
Mule Creek	ID	TWX	5,000	---	0	8/22	125	---	1	18	2	0	100K	CNTY
Deer Park	ID	STF	1,043	---	80	8/23	117	---	5	0	2	0	2.5M	FS
Bull	WY	BTF	3,047	---	N/A	N/A	138	---	4	4	2	0	1M	FS
Mustang	AZ	AZD	2,528	371	N/A	N/A	20	-10	0	4	0	0	120K	BLM

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 18
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Monte**, Monte Vista Unit, Cal Fire. IMT 2 (Joseph). Five miles northeast of Lakeside, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with running and spotting. Numerous 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
* Monte	CA	MVU	2,000	---	10	8/23	380	---	12	41	4	1	250K	ST

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 16
New large fires: 2
Uncontained large fires: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Raven**, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Thirty-six miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber. No further information received.

* **Rat Patch**, Charles M. Russell NWR. Thirty-nine miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber. No further information received.

Aurthur 2, Yellowstone NP. IMT 2 (Cook). Fifty-two miles west of Cody, WY. Timber. Moderate fire activity with isolated single and group tree torching. 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
* Raven	MT	LED	2,500	---	0	UNK	36	---	0	5	1	0	25K	BLM
* Rat Patch	MT	CMR	2,000	---	0	UNK	28	---	0	6	1	0	25K	FWS
Aurthur 2	WY	YNP	218	27	N/A	N/A	40	14	1	3	1	0	55K	NPS

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 12
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Grass Valley**, Battle Mountain District, BLM. Thirty-nine miles southeast of Battle Mountain, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Running fire. 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
* Grass Valley	NV	BMD	1,300	---	0	8/23	18	---	0	4	0	0	50K	BLM

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

North Fork, Shoshone NF. Sixteen miles west of Lander, WY. Timber. Creeping fire with isolated interior torching. 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
North Fork	WY	SHF	330	0	65	8/25	211	0	7	0	4	0	574K	FS

Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

Pat Creek, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Fifteen miles north of Stevens Village, AK. Mixed timber, hardwood slash and brush. Moderate fire activity with backing and isolated single and group 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
Pat Creek	AK	UYD	53,693	---	N/A	N/A	51	---	2	0	2	2	11.1M	BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Significant fire potential is forecast across portions of the Northern Rockies and Rocky Mountain Areas today for dry and windy conditions. Increasing wind will continue today across much of the West. Thunderstorms, some with limited moisture, will develop in the Northwest, Great Basin, Montana and western Wyoming. Wet thunderstorms will continue across the Four Corner states. Cooler temperatures will move into the Northwest behind the storm system.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Miscellaneous Category.**

ASH PIT HAZARDS

Ash pits are an inherent and hidden risk to wildland firefighters that can cause severe burns and injuries. Ash pits are created when a ground fire consumes underground fuels creating an empty space that is imperceptible from the surface.

- Environmental factors that increase the risk of ash pit formation after a wildfire:
 - Extensive root systems of trees and shrubs.
 - Deep duff or peat, the organic layer covering mineral soil.
 - Landscapes that have once been cultivated or manipulated by heavy equipment, old dozer piles, sawmills, timber sale yards or decking areas.
 - Small rodent holes that have become filled with decadent combustible debris, beaver holes near dams and stream beds, badger and coyote dens.
 - White ash is sometimes an indicator of ash pits as are swarms of hovering insects.
 - With the sun behind the suspected ash pit, look for small nearly translucent smokes that dissipate quickly above the ground.
 - Ash pits often give off the smell of incomplete combustion or of creosote burning.

- Mitigation measures to consider:
 - Identification of high risk landscape.
 - Identify and flag all hazardous discovered ash pits.

Resources: [Safety Advisory: Ash Pit Safety](#), Risk Management Committee 2010

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			0			1	1
	ACRES			900			1	901
Northwest	FIRES	2	1			2	12	17
	ACRES	1,003	0			1	4	1,008
Northern California	FIRES					12	3	15
	ACRES					474	0	474
Southern California	FIRES				0	14	4	18
	ACRES				15	879	2,000	2,894
Northern Rockies	FIRES		5	2		4	5	16
	ACRES		1,660	1,000		17	6	2,683
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		9		0	2	1	12
	ACRES		2,906		2	250	2,125	5,283
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10			2	0	12
	ACRES		1,315			3	40	1,358
Southwest	FIRES	1	2			1	3	7
	ACRES	2	0			1	27	30
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2	1		3	1	7
	ACRES		4	0		176	0	180
Eastern Area	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES					23	1	24
	ACRES					617	18	635
TOTAL	FIRES	3	29	3	0	66	31	132
	ACRES	1,005	5,885	1,900	17	2,418	4,221	15,446

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	74	66	53	427	16	637
	ACRES	103	292,748	125,213	110,724	548,382	10	1,077,180
Northwest	FIRES	156	176	10	21	330	1,014	1,707
	ACRES	5,326	12,661	3,354	4,004	30,608	1,158	57,111
Northern California	FIRES	51	122		12	1,497	389	2,071
	ACRES	47	12,222		8	14,012	2,230	28,519
Southern California	FIRES	17	148	3	22	1,855	335	2,380
	ACRES	186	10,040	14	2,671	23,353	20,259	56,523
Northern Rockies	FIRES	423	62	8	11	298	470	1,272
	ACRES	2,670	6,547	2,362	711	2,066	4,612	18,968
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	39	468	2	23	446	385	1,363
	ACRES	13,155	120,729	1	96	121,379	16,227	271,587
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	187	9	15	58	43	314
	ACRES	0	16,323	35	5	3,150	1,010	20,523
Southwest	FIRES	509	197	7	61	445	886	2,105
	ACRES	7,446	18,592	35	24,504	42,278	72,749	165,604
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	504	379	7	30	360	339	1,619
	ACRES	2,800	5,550	3,064	7,212	29,692	4,721	53,039
Eastern Area	FIRES	636		39	20	9,719	501	10,915
	ACRES	2,709		4,883	27	83,070	4,336	95,025
Southern Area	FIRES	514		52	24	16,685	501	17,776
	ACRES	32,279		6,145	224	217,964	21,356	277,968
TOTAL	FIRES	2,852	1,813	203	292	32,120	4,879	42,159
	ACRES	66,721	495,412	145,106	150,186	1,115,954	148,668	2,122,047

Ten Year Average Fires	57,073
Ten Year Average Acres	4,964,406

*** 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							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					11		11
	ACRES					21,497		21,497
Northwest	FIRES	12	55	6	1		152	226
	ACRES	6,781	8,616	1,648	11		17,529	34,585
Northern California	FIRES	1	12	24	19	29	229	314
	ACRES	10	771	22,275	34	4,042	9,397	36,529
Southern California	FIRES		9	10	7	18	63	107
	ACRES		1,612	1,493	547	2,459	1,969	8,080
Northern Rockies	FIRES	99	33	107	8	29	145	421
	ACRES	3,990	4,674	25,961	1,240	934	16,007	52,806
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		18	6	7	29	40	100
	ACRES		4,110	2,745	520	2,288	10,198	19,861
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	2		7	14
	ACRES		68	1,395	546		638	2,647
Southwest	FIRES	30	20	10	9		122	191
	ACRES	2,181	22,553	8,870	1,108		64,011	98,723
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	41	49	118	26	47	136	417
	ACRES	5,861	6,525	26,858	5,019	6,215	19,554	70,032
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		368	31	1,536	180	2,162
	ACRES	62,783		55,431	5,518	92,534	58,977	275,243
Southern Area	FIRES	19		192	69	8,834	1,076	10,190
	ACRES	3,140		87,408	72,148	281,138	1,034,414	1,478,248
TOTAL	FIRES	249	199	843	179	10,533	2,150	14,153
	ACRES	84,746	48,929	234,084	86,691	411,107	1,232,694	2,098,251

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

Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	7	18,191	1,498	291,711
Yukon Territory	0	0	86	155,862
Alberta	2	722	1,685	88,879
Northwest Territory	0	0	219	320,849
Saskatchewan	1	3,892	567	1,747,499
Manitoba	0	0	562	149,835
Ontario	0	0	866	14,805
Quebec	0	0	675	361,385
Newfoundland	0	0	40	806
New Brunswick	2	1	149	147
Nova Scotia	1	0	284	460
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	1	0	101	5,959
Total	14	22,807	6,734	3,138,201

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