

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, August 26, 2010 – 0530 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (145 new fires)  
 New large fires: 4 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 4  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 17  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 3  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 5

Nationally, there are 56 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	5	531	105	21

**Northwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 21  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 7  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Scott Mountain**, Willamette NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Fourteen miles northeast of McKenzie Bridge, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting.

**View Lake Complex** (two fires), Mt. Hood NF. IMT 1 (Hoff). Forty-five miles east of Estacada, OR. Mixed conifer. Active fire behavior with running, torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

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

**Oak Flat**, Rogue River – Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Ten miles northwest of Selma, OR. Closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with running, torching and spotting.

\* **Willamette NZ Lightning**, Willamette NF. Six miles southwest of Detroit, OR. Closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting.

**Hilltop**, Pacific Cascade Region, Washington DNR. Twenty miles southeast of Yaoclt, WA. Heavy logging slash. 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
Scott Mountain	OR	WIF	935	335	0	UNK	292	145	10	0	3	0	1.1M	FS
View Lake Complex	OR	MHF	579	-197	60	UNK	488	155	16	8	4	0	2.1M	FS
White Lightning Complex	OR	WSA	33,016	3,943	40	UNK	856	-61	23	48	10	2	5M	BIA
Oak Flat	OR	RSF	4,850	90	70	8/30	762	-188	19	16	3	0	9.3M	FS
* Willamette NZ Lightning	OR	WIF	134	---	85	UNK	191	---	5	6	0	0	1.3M	FS
Hilltop	WA	PCS	110	---	74	UNK	149	---	NR	15	0	0	897K	ST

### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 5  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**Long Butte**, Twin Falls District, BLM. IMT 2 (Whalen). Thirty-five miles south of Glenns Ferry, ID. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity with isolated interior torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Hurd**, Boise NF. IMT 2 (Kidd). Eight miles northwest of Cascade, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with interior torching.

**Little Beaver Complex**, Boise NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-six miles west of Stanley, ID. Closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with torching and running. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Banner**, Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Wilde). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with single and group tree torching.

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
Long Butte	ID	TFD	306,113	-21,739	50	8/27	661	-105	6	68	7	10	2.1M	BLM
Hurd	ID	BOF	550	44	20	UNK	652	54	21	12	10	0	2M	FS
Little Beaver Complex	ID	BOF	5,350	---	N/A	N/A	28	---	1	1	0	0	2.5M	FS
Banner	ID	SCF	2,077	347	N/A	N/A	561	85	15	18	5	0	2.4M	FS
Bowen	ID	2PN	6,683	0	100	---	264	-26	8	5	4	1	985K	CNTY

2PN – Power County

**Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 34  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Post**, Kern County. IMT 1 (Opliger). One mile east of Lebec, CA. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened. 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
Post	CA	KRN	1,000	-300	60	UNK	1,029	763	33	87	0	0	1.2M	CNTY
Pozo	CA	LPF	1,151	0	100	---	175	-205	2	8	0	0	3.5M	FS

LPF – Los Padres NF

**Northern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 22  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3

**Curry**, Santa Clara Unit, Cal Fire. Five miles northeast of Diablo, CA. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

**Indian**, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Thirteen miles south of Stonyford, CA. Brush. Smoldering.

**Mauna Kea 33**, Hawaii County. Eighteen miles southeast of Waikoloa, HI. Brush and grass. Moderate fire activity with long range spotting. Numerous 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
Curry	CA	SCU	375	0	90	8/26	255	0	6	24	2	0	NR	ST
Indian	CA	LNU	363	0	80	8/26	179	-46	3	10	0	0	389K	ST
Mauna Kea 33	HI	DFW	1,350	150	55	UNK	110	12	4	12	6	0	35K	CNTY

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 5  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Raven Rat Patch**, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Thirty-six miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber. 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
Raven Rat Patch	MT	LED	30,000	0	85	9/2	79	-69	1	12	4	0	350K	BLM

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
Stump Gulch	MT	SOS	9,870	0	100	---	64	-31	0	17	3	0	840K	ST

SOS - Southern Land Office, Montana DNR

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

New fires: 45  
 New large fires: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 2

\* **Cicada**, Sabine NWR. Fourteen miles southwest of Hackberry, LA. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

\* **Persimmon Ridge**, Oklahoma DOF. Seven miles east of Bragg, OK. Hardwood litter. 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
* Cicada	LA	SBR	2,000	---	50	9/1	19	---	0	3	1	0	30K	FWS
* Persimmon Ridge	OK	OKS	300	---	70	8/26	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	ST
* TS08252010	OK	OKS	600	---	100	---	9	---	0	4	0	0	NR	ST

### **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. No new information.

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	330	SHF	330	---	98	UNK	151	---	5	0	2	0	850K	FS

**Predictive Services Discussion: Significant fire potential is forecast for much of the West today with hot, dry and windy conditions.** Strongest winds will develop today across the Northwest, Northern California, Great Basin, Northern Rockies, and Wyoming. Initially dry thunderstorms are possible in eastern Oregon, the Great Basin, and western Montana ahead of the cold front.

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



Today's discussion is from the  
Miscellaneous Category.

## HAZARD MITIGATION THROUGH RISK MANAGEMENT

“Risk Management doesn’t get in the way of doing the mission – *it is the way we do the mission.*” The Risk Management Process assists in ensuring that critical factors and risks of the fireline work environment are considered during decision making. Good risk management utilizes a five-step process:

● Step 1—Situational Awareness:

- Obtain information.
- Scout the fire.
- Identify hazards—those likely to result in a negative impact.
- Consider all aspects of current and future situations.
- Consider known historical problem areas (Apply information from the Fire Danger Pocket Card.).
- Recognize the need for action.
- Demonstrate ongoing awareness of fire assignment status.
- Note deviations.
- Attempt to determine why discrepancies exist with information before proceeding.

● Step 2—Hazard Assessment:

- Assess hazards to determine risks (e.g., fire behavior, snags, unburned fuels, work/rest).
- Use the Look Up, Down, and Around; and the Tactical Watch Outs (both located in the Incident Response Pocket Guide) to identify high-risk tactical hazards.
- Assess the impact of each hazard in terms of potential loss, cost, and mission/operational degradation based on probability and severity (probability—how likely an event will occur; severity—consequences if the event occurs). Keep in mind that increased exposure time increases probability.

● Step 3—Hazard Control:

- Determine the best approach to mitigate or control the risk from the hazards assessed.
- Establish controls (e.g., anchor point, LCES, utilize downhill checklist, limit exposure time).
- As control measures are developed, reevaluate each risk until it is reduced to a level where benefits outweigh potential costs.

● Step 4—Decision Point (decision to accept or not accept the risk(s) associated with an action):

- Consider whether controls are in place for identified hazards, whether selected tactics are based on expected fire behavior and if instructions have been given and understood.
- Make certain the decision is made at the appropriate level; if not, then elevate to a higher level.
- Reject the action if the risk is unacceptable.

● Step 5—Evaluation:

- Ensure controls are implemented and accomplished to standards.
- Supervise/evaluate effectiveness of controls and decisions. Stay on top of the situation and adjust risk controls as necessary.
- Anticipate consequences of decisions; if controls do not work, determine problem and derive a better solution.
- Adjust actions as the situation changes; maintain situational awareness at all times.
- Maintain feedback line.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#) page 1

[NWCG Human Factors on the Fireline Training](#) (L-180)

[Safety and Occupational Health Manual Handbook, BLM-1112-1](#)

Division Supervisor Course Guide--S-339, NWCG

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					7,897		7,897
Northwest	FIRES	0			0	7	14	21
	ACRES	3,943			50	3	2	3,998
Northern California	FIRES					19	3	22
	ACRES					772	0	772
Southern California	FIRES		4		0	13	17	34
	ACRES		0		449	17	109	575
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	3	5
	ACRES					1	709	710
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	2			1	0	5
	ACRES	82	24			0	805	911
Western Great Basin	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						5	5
Southwest	FIRES	1	1				2	4
	ACRES	5	1				194	200
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3	3	7
	ACRES		0			15	0	15
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					41	4	45
	ACRES					423	9	432
TOTAL	FIRES	3	8	0	0	86	48	145
	ACRES	4,030	25	0	499	9,128	1,833	15,515

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	74	66	53	432	16	642
	ACRES	103	292,748	127,713	110,724	556,279	10	1,087,577
Northwest	FIRES	160	190	10	23	346	1,049	1,778
	ACRES	31,789	17,009	3,354	4,451	30,639	1,418	88,660
Northern California	FIRES	51	122		12	1,529	399	2,113
	ACRES	47	12,222		8	18,258	2,240	32,775
Southern California	FIRES	17	155	3	22	1,920	359	2,476
	ACRES	186	10,040	14	3,487	23,463	21,659	58,849
Northern Rockies	FIRES	433	64	8	12	306	487	1,310
	ACRES	3,218	6,595	2,362	721	11,962	6,133	30,991
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	42	486	2	23	453	397	1,403
	ACRES	13,337	655,743	1	96	127,045	18,124	814,346
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	201	9	15	61	46	334
	ACRES	0	17,554	35	5	3,151	1,015	21,760
Southwest	FIRES	510	202	8	61	446	899	2,126
	ACRES	7,449	18,707	38	24,504	42,479	72,776	165,953
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	529	392	7	32	374	353	1,687
	ACRES	2,840	5,665	3,064	7,256	30,811	4,721	54,357
Eastern Area	FIRES	636		39	21	9,757	502	10,955
	ACRES	2,709		4,883	27	83,122	4,336	95,077
Southern Area	FIRES	514		56	24	16,810	508	17,912
	ACRES	32,279		6,148	224	219,087	21,376	279,114
TOTAL	FIRES	2,895	1,886	208	298	32,434	5,015	42,736
	ACRES	93,957	1,036,283	147,612	151,503	1,146,296	153,808	2,729,459

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>57,592</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>5,177,447</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	0
	ACRES						400	400
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						21	21
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		600					600
Eastern Area	FIRES					3	1	4
	ACRES					75	5	80
Southern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1,615	1,615
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	0	3	4	8
	ACRES	0	600	0	0	75	2,041	2,716

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					12		12
	ACRES					21,502		21,502
Northwest	FIRES	12	104	6	1		152	275
	ACRES	6,781	21,603	1,648	11		17,529	47,572
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	97	33	107	8	29	145	419
	ACRES	3,982	4,674	25,961	1,240	934	16,407	53,198
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		124	193
	ACRES	2,181	22,553	8,870	1,108		64,092	98,804
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	41	55	118	26	47	136	423
	ACRES	5,861	7,460	26,858	5,019	6,215	19,554	70,967
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		368	31	1,538	181	2,165
	ACRES	62,783		55,431	5,518	92,559	58,982	275,273
Southern Area	FIRES	19		192	69	8,834	1,078	10,192
	ACRES	3,140		87,408	72,148	281,138	1,036,029	1,479,863
TOTAL	FIRES	247	254	843	179	10,536	2,155	14,214
	ACRES	84,738	62,851	234,084	86,691	411,137	1,234,795	2,114,296

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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	9	1,046	1,521	306,632
Yukon Territory	0	0	86	155,862
Alberta	3	27	1,699	83,395
Northwest Territory	0	-135	219	320,714
Saskatchewan	0	26,585	568	1,774,084
Manitoba	4	0	569	149,836
Ontario	1	116	868	14,982
Quebec	2	-4	679	361,382
Newfoundland	1	0	41	806
New Brunswick	3	0	156	148
Nova Scotia	1	0	289	461
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	0	0	101	5,959
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>27,635</b>	<b>6,798</b>	<b>3,174,265</b>

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