

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, October 6, 2010 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (163 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 4
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 83 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.

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 1
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 NIMOs committed: 1

Twitchell Canyon, Fishlake NF. NIMO (Gage). Seven miles east of Manderfield, UT. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

River Breaks, Salmon-Challis NF. Two miles southwest of North Fork, ID. Timber and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Gravel, Bridger-Teton NF. Previously reported incident. Twelve miles northeast of Moran, WY. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Bunker**, Bridger-Teton NF. Twelve miles northeast of Hoback Jet, WY. Timber. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. 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
Twitchell Canyon	UT	FIF	44,874	-252	N/A	N/A	206	-127	3	1	3	2	17.3M	FS
River Breaks	ID	SCF	1,862	0	90	UNK	22	-137	1	0	0	0	1.5M	FS
Gravel	WY	BTF	1,059	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	28K	FS
* Bunker	WY	BTF	176	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	FS
8 Mile	UT	SLD	1,376	-199	100	---	72	-75	2	2	1	0	2.4M	BLM

SLD - Salt Lake Field Office, BLM

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 2
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2

Churches Park, Arapaho and Roosevelt NF/Pawnee National Grassland. Seven miles west of Fraser, CO. Minimal fire activity. Numerous structures threatened.

Orpha, Converse County. Fifteen miles northwest of Douglas, WY. Grass. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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Churches Park	CO	ARF	530	0	40	UNK	246	18	8	10	4	0	708K	FS
Orpha	WY	COX	25,015	-985	60	10/6	63	-2	2	10	1	0	NR	CNTY

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 110
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Desha**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Eight miles east of Winchester, AR. Timber. No further information received.

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* Desha	AR	ARS	100	---	90	UNK	5	---	0	0	0	0	1.5K	ST

Predictive Services Discussion: Showers and wet thunderstorms will continue today over much of the West. Eastern portions of Wyoming and Colorado should be cooler with higher humidity. The Southeast will be dry with areas of low humidity along the Gulf Coast.

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



Today's discussion is from the Environmental Factors Category.

THUNDERSTORM SAFETY

Thunderstorms cause significant hazards for wildland firefighters, including downbursts that can cause extreme fire behavior and lightning. When thunderstorm development is likely, lookouts should be posted and aware of signs of a developing storm. A sudden reversal in wind direction, a noticeable rise in wind speed, and a sharp drop in temperature may note the mature stage of a storm. Heavy rain, hail and lightning occur only in the mature stage of a thunderstorm. During a storm, use the following guidelines:

- Do not lie down.
 - The best position is sitting on the pack or crouching with feet close together.
 - Avoid sitting directly on the ground, if possible; but, if necessary, keep feet and butt close together.
 - Avoid grouping together. Keep a minimum of 15 feet between people when possible.
 - Removing caulk boots will not provide safety if stocking covered or bare feet are then in contact with the ground--don't bother!

- "Stay out of dry creek beds" is correct for flash floods, but has nothing to do with lightning.

- Handheld radios (with short rubber antennas) or cell phones are safe to use. Communication is vital to crew safety. Do not use land line radios or radios with elevated antennas.

- Wide, open spaces are better than trees or clumps of trees in the vicinity. Ridge tops, etc., should be avoided.

- If you feel the hair on your arms or head "stand up," there is a high probability of a strike in the vicinity. Crouch or sit on a pack.

- Put down all tools.

- Take shelter in vehicles if possible.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)

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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					9	7	16
	ACRES					0	0	0
Southern California	FIRES			1		16	5	22
	ACRES			0		1	0	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1					0	1
	ACRES	0					664	664
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5					5
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					16	1	17
Eastern Area	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					2		2
Southern Area	FIRES					105	5	110
	ACRES					1,206	19	1,225
TOTAL	FIRES	2	5	1	0	135	20	163
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	1,225	685	1,911

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	76	69	53	467	16	682
	ACRES	103	295,196	145,471	113,280	570,534	10	1,124,594
Northwest	FIRES	170	207	13	27	540	1,109	2,066
	ACRES	34,756	17,689	3,591	4,942	33,485	8,517	102,980
Northern California	FIRES	65	126	1	13	1,893	503	2,601
	ACRES	50	12,224	0	8	19,249	2,893	34,424
Southern California	FIRES	19	215	6	54	2,455	503	3,252
	ACRES	186	12,982	42	11,850	25,782	32,150	82,992
Northern Rockies	FIRES	533	75	7	16	402	594	1,627
	ACRES	4,472	16,326	15,301	3,797	15,207	13,527	68,630
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	45	585	3	30	570	539	1,772
	ACRES	12,382	412,570	610	5,248	171,433	75,486	677,729
Western Great Basin	FIRES	4	233	9	16	78	76	416
	ACRES	0	19,295	35	10	3,171	1,312	23,823
Southwest	FIRES	524	230	8	66	467	997	2,292
	ACRES	7,692	19,258	38	24,855	45,557	82,343	179,743
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	673	460	9	41	528	452	2,163
	ACRES	4,288	11,380	3,064	7,349	81,119	8,894	116,094
Eastern Area	FIRES	636		40	25	11,208	530	12,439
	ACRES	2,709		4,883	32	90,607	4,537	102,768
Southern Area	FIRES	545		66	16	26,254	620	27,501
	ACRES	33,871		6,718	188	525,348	25,505	591,630
TOTAL	FIRES	3,215	2,207	231	357	44,862	5,939	56,811
	ACRES	100,509	816,920	179,753	171,559	1,581,492	255,174	3,105,407

Ten Year Average Fires	65,547
Ten Year Average Acres	5,977,506

*** 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	1	0					1
	ACRES	80	45					125
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						9	9
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						15	15
Northern Rockies	FIRES						7	7
	ACRES						87	87
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		90					90
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				0		0	0
	ACRES				10		50	60
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						54	54
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	0	0	0	9	11
	ACRES	80	135	0	10	0	215	440

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		12	2	15
	ACRES			21		21,502	385	21,908
Northwest	FIRES	16	72	21	1		157	267
	ACRES	7,174	16,704	2,319	11		28,745	54,953
Northern California	FIRES	1	12	28	23	29	239	332
	ACRES	10	771	22,373	1,531	4,042	10,390	39,117
Southern California	FIRES		10	11	7	20	64	112
	ACRES		1,613	1,525	547	2,506	1,984	8,175
Northern Rockies	FIRES	107	36	113	8	29	239	532
	ACRES	4,572	5,555	27,849	1,240	924	23,595	63,735
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	21	6	9	29	59	126
	ACRES	4,100	2,402	2,745	775	2,268	23,327	35,617
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2	4	1	8	23
	ACRES		1,302	1,395	846	210	638	4,391
Southwest	FIRES	33	20	12	10		148	223
	ACRES	4,726	23,116	8,870	2,156		74,655	113,523
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	47	71	122	21	47	151	459
	ACRES	6,047	17,226	28,031	4,831	6,265	23,596	85,996
Eastern Area	FIRES	49		372	52	1,856	188	2,517
	ACRES	62,997		56,809	6,206	114,120	59,702	299,834
Southern Area	FIRES	22		193	64	8,960	1,125	10,364
	ACRES	3,250		87,468	71,462	267,626	1,055,765	1,485,571
TOTAL	FIRES	277	250	881	199	10,983	2,380	14,970
	ACRES	92,876	68,689	239,405	89,605	419,463	1,302,782	2,212,820

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