

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, September 19, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (89 new fires)
 New large fires: 0 (*)
 Large fires contained: 2
 Uncontained large fires: ** 5
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 4
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 6

Nationally, there are 80 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.

Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve), and two MAFFS from the 145th Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard) and support personnel have been activated and will operate from Austin, Texas.

Southern Area (PL 4)

New fires: 26
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

NIMO (Kleinman) is assigned to provide support to existing and new fires in Texas.

Bastrop County Complex (two fires), Texas Forest Service. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Wilder) back to the local unit will occur today. Six miles northeast of Bastrop, TX. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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
Bastrop County Complex	TX	TXS	34,068	0	95	UNK	283	-204	2	24	2	1,554	7.8M	ST
Northeast Texas Fire Complex	TX	TXS	52,951	-123	100	---	343	-14	6	27	3	86	1.9M	ST
Southeast Texas Fire Complex	TX	TXS	32,330	100	100	---	242	-33	3	23	0	88	2.4M	ST

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 3
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Dollar Lake, Mt. Hood NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton) and IMT 2 (West). Sixteen miles south of Hood River, OR. Timber. Smoldering.

Umpqua Complex (three fires), Umpqua NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Walker) back to the local unit will occur today. Twenty miles southeast of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber litter. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Mother Lode, Mt Hood NF. IMT 2 (Kidd). Ten miles northwest of Detroit, OR. Timber. 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
Dollar Lake	OR	MHF	6,304	0	85	9/20	606	-66	17	13	3	0	13M	FS
Umpqua Complex	OR	UPF	1,019	22	N/A	N/A	332	-60	9	6	3	0	5.1M	FS
Mother Lode	OR	MHF	2,169	0	N/A	N/A	126	-7	2	2	4	0	2.5M	FS

Eastern Area (PL 3)

New fires: 3
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

Pagami Creek, Superior NF. IMT 1 (Turman). Thirteen miles northeast of Ely, MN. Timber and grass. Minimal fire activity. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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
Pagami Creek	MN	SUF	93,898	0	N/A	N/A	598	33	13	13	8	2	4M	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Salt, Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Wilde). Sixteen miles southwest of Salmon, ID. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. 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
Salt	ID	SCF	20,418	0	20	UNK	265	-50	4	7	2	0	13M	FS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 15
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Mint, Angeles NF. Twelve miles west of Palmdale, CA. Brush. 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
Mint	CA	ANF	634	0	80	UNK	599	0	23	31	8	0	500K	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires: 3
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Forty One Complex (three fires), Bitterroot NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Poncin) back to the local unit will occur today. Eight miles east of Hamilton, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Saddle Complex – Bitterroot Branch, Bitterroot NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Cook) back to the local unit will occur today. Thirty miles southwest of Darby, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Stewart, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Heintz) back to the local unit will occur today. Eight miles southeast of Wisdom, MT. Timber. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Birthday, Idaho Panhandle NF. Twenty-one miles northwest of Bonners Ferry, ID. Timber. Moderate fire activity. 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
Forty One Complex	MT	BRF	11,480	0	N/A	N/A	209	-80	6	3	0	0	4.9M	FS
Saddle Complex-Bitterroot Branch	MT	BRF	15,656	0	N/A	N/A	88	-25	1	2	2	0	4.3M	FS
Stewart	MT	BDF	2,405	---	N/A	N/A	69	---	0	0	1	0	1M	FS

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
Birthday	ID	IPF	628	0	N/A	N/A	28	-1	0	0	1	0	577K	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Building high pressure will start a warming trend in the West. Westerly flow over the northern states will produce gusty winds across the northern Rockies, the far northern Plains and the Great Lakes region. A cold front will spread showers and thunderstorms from the Great Lakes through the Mississippi Valley to north Texas. Cool, sunny conditions will continue over the mid-Atlantic and New England.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



Today's discussion is from the Aviation Category.

AVIATION COMMUNICATIONS

Discuss the following information in terms of effective communication with aircraft. Involve the pilot in this discussion.

- Establish an air-to-ground frequency on the fire, and make sure everyone knows what it is. Avoid switching frequencies in the middle of an operational period.
- Consider using national air-to-ground frequencies.
- Discuss Guard frequencies:
 - How they work.
 - When to use them.
 - What frequencies are established for aircraft in your area?
- Aviation communications should be clear, concise, short, and to the point.
- Use standard terminology that can be understood by all people you are talking to. Do not use local slang.
- Know what you want to say before you key the microphone. Don't think and talk at same time.
- Before you key your microphone to talk, be sure to listen to ensure you don't cut into another transmission.
- Identify who you want to talk to by the call sign and identify yourself in every transmission.
- If the frequency gets congested, request another frequency. Upon receipt, ensure that all people who need to be on the new frequency transfer to that frequency.
- When giving ground descriptions, describe the location as if you are viewing the location from the direction an aircraft would be traveling. Use a common frame of reference for the sender and receiver.
- Use easily understandable directions, such as north, south, east, west, 2 o'clock, 9 o'clock, left 20 degrees, right 45 degrees, etc.
- When giving directions, always give them in relation to the pilot's perspective.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Fireline Handbook](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1					2	3
	ACRES	0					0	0
Northern California	FIRES	1				23	5	29
	ACRES	0				0	1	1
Southern California	FIRES		3		1	10	1	15
	ACRES		0		1	7	0	8
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					0	1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			1	1	4
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1		1			2
	ACRES		0		1			1
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			2		3
	ACRES		0			0		0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					0	1	1
Southern Area	FIRES					5	21	26
	ACRES					133	158	291
TOTAL	FIRES	2	7	0	2	43	35	89
	ACRES	0	0	0	2	140	161	303

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	26	28	17	417	9	499
	ACRES	8	47,653	36,823	7,790	199,819	2	292,095
Northwest	FIRES	217	257	9	42	485	945	1,955
	ACRES	111,643	122,856	89	284	12,944	27,558	275,374
Northern California	FIRES	75	20	5	18	1,518	372	2,008
	ACRES	67	2,476	4	2,178	7,490	6,170	18,385
Southern California	FIRES	21	321	5	44	3,026	439	3,856
	ACRES	225	9,740	3	1,082	46,335	30,080	87,465
Northern Rockies	FIRES	479	77	6	24	491	637	1,714
	ACRES	26,779	56,867	141	1,126	12,655	78,242	175,810
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	31	611	2	21	564	491	1,720
	ACRES	2,252	259,940	26	620	86,432	66,333	415,603
Western Great Basin	FIRES	16	401	12	18	165	60	672
	ACRES	3,328	77,296	778	4	21,990	374	103,770
Southwest	FIRES	872	334	13	56	994	1,300	3,569
	ACRES	34,151	108,886	5,374	18,442	633,275	1,271,336	2,071,464
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	637	415	29	39	826	429	2,375
	ACRES	7,268	20,467	3,511	2,477	291,367	62,697	387,787
Eastern Area	FIRES	342		34	23	4,019	259	4,677
	ACRES	355		3,016	100	26,574	118,650	148,695
Southern Area	FIRES	762		249	78	33,469	821	35,379
	ACRES	126,657		121,010	56,036	3,345,306	31,902	3,680,911
TOTAL	FIRES	3,454	2,462	392	380	45,974	5,762	58,424
	ACRES	312,733	706,181	170,775	90,139	4,684,187	1,693,344	7,657,359

Ten Year Average Fires	61,977
Ten Year Average Acres	6,290,251

*** 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						1	1
	ACRES						55	55
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	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	55	55

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	3	11		15
	ACRES			20	35	8,476		8,531
Northwest	FIRES	8	44	7	1		122	182
	ACRES	5,268	6,885	429	42		8,661	21,285
Northern California	FIRES	15	19	22	21		141	218
	ACRES	61	655	19,522	141		5,389	25,768
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	4	15	75	114
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,205	2,260	2,090	8,274
Northern Rockies	FIRES	39	14	46	6	16	96	217
	ACRES	1,321	912	8,389	4,681	211	6,610	22,124
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	19	3	2	38	31	93
	ACRES	54	9,677	1,023	678	875	7,350	19,657
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	1		2	9	17
	ACRES		124	550		64	296	1,034
Southwest	FIRES	18	27	3	5		89	142
	ACRES	1,725	20,216	1,428	56		73,278	96,703
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	45	34	99	18	44	100	340
	ACRES	5,036	5,947	15,118	6,940	8,538	27,537	69,116
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		350	33	850	139	1,402
	ACRES	60,283		48,465	3,900	50,063	41,435	204,146
Southern Area	FIRES	42		142	24	1,441	574	2,223
	ACRES	7,835		74,469	13,997	305,750	465,038	867,089
TOTAL	FIRES	197	172	684	117	2,417	1,376	4,963
	ACRES	81,583	45,172	171,376	31,675	376,237	637,684	1,343,727

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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	3	3	540	11,946
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	53	39,746
ALBERTA	23	10	1,042	940,055
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	14	205	431,940
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	261	339,956
MANITOBA	0	0	269	84,309
ONTARIO	20	161	1,136	627,244
QUEBEC	1	0	274	12,423
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	5	48	407
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	71	39
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	115	133
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	61	84,664
TOTALS	48	192	4,076	2,572,865

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