

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, August 17, 2012 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 4**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (132 new fires)
New large fires:	9 (*)
Large fires contained:	11
Uncontained large fires: **	52
Area Command Teams committed:	1
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	13
Type 2 IMTs committed:	15

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

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

Four MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 302<sup>nd</sup> Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve), and the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID. One MAFFS from the 145<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard), along with one MAFFS from the 146<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Sacramento, CA.

**Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 5)**

New fires:	10
New large fires:	4
Uncontained large fires:	9
Area Command Teams committed:	1
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Whitney's Area Command Team is assigned to manage all Type 1 and Type 2 fires on the Boise, Sawtooth and Salmon-Challis National Forests. Current fires include Trinity Ridge, Springs, Halstead, Mustang and Minidoka Complex.

\* **Enclosure**, Sawtooth NF. Ten miles west of Hailey, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Running fire with torching and spotting. Residences threatened.

\* **Notch Butte**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Four miles south of Shoshone, ID. Brush and grass. Running fire. Structures threatened.

**Trinity Ridge**, Boise NF. IMT 1 (Harvey). Seven miles northwest of Featherville, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching and long-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

**Halstead**, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman). NIMO also managing the Bench fire. Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with sustained crown runs and long-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Mustang**, Salmon-Challis NF (3 fires). IMT 1 (Joseph) and IMT 2 (Adell). Twenty-eight miles west of North Fork, ID. Timber. Short crown runs and long-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Minidoka Complex**, Sawtooth NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Lund) to local unit will occur today. Fifteen miles southeast of Twin Falls, ID. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Area closures in effect.

**Springs**, Boise NF. IMT 1 (Hahnenberg). Started on Bureau of Reclamation land five miles west of Garden Valley, ID. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Subdivisions and power lines threatened.

**Reserve**, Cedar City Field Office, BLM. Six miles north of St. George, UT. Pinyon pine, juniper and grass. Isolated interior torching. Structures threatened.

**Grasshopper**, Boise District, BLM. Twenty-eight miles southeast of Jordan Valley, OR. Juniper and brush. Smoldering.

**Shivwits**, Southern Paiute Agency, BIA. Thirteen miles northwest of St. George, UT. Brush and grass. Interior isolated torching. Communications site threatened.

**Bench**, Salmon-Challis NF. Southeast of Stanley, ID. Timber and grass understory. Smoldering.

\* **Butte Creek**, Bridger-Teton NF. Forty miles north of Dubois, WY. Timber. Torching and spotting. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Merino**, Salmon-Challis NF. Thirty miles northwest of Challis, ID. Timber. 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
* Enclosure	ID	STF	350	---	0	UNK	48	---	0	5	3	0	50K	FS
* Notch Butte	ID	TFD	500	---	0	UNK	23	---	0	5	0	0	30K	BLM
Trinity Ridge	ID	BOF	69,216	932	3	10/1	1,022	88	22	56	5	8	7.9M	FS
Halstead	ID	SCF	77,251	18,982	N/A	N/A	301	4	4	19	3	0	6.3M	FS
Mustang	ID	SCF	73,322	-12,215	N/A	N/A	349	62	4	32	3	0	4.1M	FS
Minidoka Complex	ID	STF	97,616	0	97	8/18	396	-122	8	23	2	4	5.8M	FS
Springs	ID	BOF	6,150	0	75	8/20	645	-8	13	29	2	0	6.4M	BOR
Reserve	UT	CCD	3,070	770	75	8/18	155	5	6	7	2	0	300K	BLM
Grasshopper	ID	BOD	2,740	0	75	8/17	130	15	3	13	1	0	135K	BLM
Shivwits	UT	SPA	5,100	0	95	8/17	45	-49	1	4	1	0	345K	BIA
Bench	ID	SCF	220	0	70	8/19	70	0	2	6	0	0	521K	FS
* Butte Creek	WY	BTF	818	---	N/A	N/A	3	---	0	0	0	0	50K	FS
* Merino	ID	SCF	300	---	N/A	N/A	3	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FS
Pigeon Canyon	AZ	ASD	2,100	0	100	---	47	0	1	7	0	0	NR	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
Chaulky	ID	BOD	400	0	100	---	30	-14	0	5	1	0	85K	BLM

ASD – Arizona Strip Field Office, BLM

#### **Northern California Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	26
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	8
Type 1 IMTs committed:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

**Rush**, Northern California District, BLM. IMT 2 (Molhoek). Fifteen miles southeast of Ravendale, CA. Juniper and brush. Extreme fire behavior with short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Natural gas lines and power lines threatened. Voluntary evacuations and intermittent road closures in effect.

**Chips**, Plumas NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (McGowan) to IMT 1 (Opliger) will occur today. Twenty miles northwest of Quincy, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire activity. Communities and power lines threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Reading**, Lassen Volcanic NP. IMT 1 (Pincha-Tulley). Fourteen miles south of Old Station, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity with short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Mill**, Butte Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Flores). Ten miles northwest of Butte Meadows, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity with torching and spotting. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Wye**, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Hoffman). Twenty-nine miles north of Santa Rosa, CA. Chaparral. Minimal fire activity.

**Fort Complex** (3 fires), Klamath NF. IMT 2 (Walker). Ten miles northwest of Happy Camp, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened. Road closures 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
Rush	CA	NOD	160,000	59,000	25	8/22	468	224	11	16	5	0	2M	BLM
Chips	CA	PNF	43,746	1,610	20	8/31	1,154	73	11	107	10	0	19M	FS
Reading	CA	LNP	27,167	1,925	28	8/21	1,083	-22	25	64	5	0	10M	NPS
Mill	CA	BTU	1,250	-150	15	8/21	942	262	26	82	3	0	600K	ST
Wye	CA	LNU	7,934	0	85	8/19	755	-499	24	82	2	3	6.6M	ST
Fort Complex	CA	KNF	4,140	350	35	8/30	664	-81	21	11	8	0	5.2M	FS

**Western Great Basin Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 17  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 7  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Holloway**, Winnemucca District Office, BLM. IMT 1 (Pendleton) managing the North Zone in Oregon and IMT 2 (Ourada) managing the South Zone in Nevada. Twenty-five miles east of Denio, NV. Brush. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Hanson**, Winnemucca District Office, BLM. Ten miles northwest of Paradise Valley, NV. Aspen, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Bull Run Complex** (3 fires), Elko District Office, BLM. IMT 2 (Leitch). Started on state land twenty-four miles southwest of Mountain City, NV. Pinyon pine, brush and grass. Torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

**West Marys**, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF. Nine miles southwest of Jarbidge, NV. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

**Cain**, Battle Mountain District Office, BLM. Fifty miles northwest of Austin, NV. Brush and grass. 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
Holloway	NV	WID	462,201	25,641	86	8/21	727	-17	13	47	6	3	8M	BLM
Hanson	NV	WID	12,469	0	90	8/17	79	-141	2	3	0	0	1.1M	BLM
Bull Run Complex	NV	EKD	50,925	1,883	75	8/18	501	-219	17	17	3	2	4.5M	ST
West Marys	NV	HTF	100	0	80	8/17	30	0	1	0	0	0	150K	FS
Cain	NV	BMD	7,402	0	99	UNK	6	-30	0	1	0	0	250K	BLM
Fraiser	NV	BMD	12,091	0	100	---	0	-4	0	0	0	2	530K	BLM
* Craine Creek	NV	WID	600	---	100	---	88	---	3	5	1	0	100K	BLM
Eastern Mine	NV	SND	379	0	100	---	6	-71	0	1	0	0	175K	BLM

SND – Southern Nevada District Office, BLM

**Northwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 9  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 7  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

**Barry Point**, Fremont-Winema NF. IMT 1 (Morcom) and NIMO (Gage). Twenty-two miles southwest of Lakeview, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Running fire with torching and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Taylor Bridge**, Southeast Region, Washington DNR. IMT 2 (Reed). Four miles southeast of Cle Elum, WA. Timber. Running fire with torching and spotting. Numerous residences, power lines and a communications tower threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Ten Mile Complex**, (2 fires) Vale District, BLM. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Three miles northeast of McDermitt, NV. Brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Buffalo Lake Road**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Nickey). Five miles northeast of Coulee Dam, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**Waterfalls 2**, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Williams). Twenty-eight miles west of Jefferson, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

**Butte**, Umpqua NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Fifteen miles northwest of Chemult, OR. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Road closures 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
Barry Point	OR	FWF	79,272	-5,412	30	8/25	1,320	-27	33	95	6	1	10.2M	FS
Taylor Bridge	WA	SES	22,787	131	33	8/19	955	115	22	99	11	280	2.7M	ST
Ten Mile Complex	OR	VAD	14,036	0	90	UNK	121	-51	1	5	0	0	1.4M	BLM
Buffalo Lake Road	WA	COA	7,802	2,802	70	8/20	173	123	4	5	0	1	450K	BIA
Waterfalls 2	OR	WSA	2,800	77	0	UNK	434	35	13	20	0	0	800K	BIA
Butte	OR	UPF	145	30	0	UNK	175	69	4	0	2	0	208K	FS

### **Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 32  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 5  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Vallecito Lightning Complex** (2 fires), Monte Vista Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Michael). Nine miles northwest of Warner Springs, CA. Brush. Long-range spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Ramsey**, Stanislaus NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Eight miles east of Dorrington, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity with single tree torching. Residences threatened.

**Jawbone Complex**, California Desert District, BLM. IMT 2 (Truett). Eighteen miles northeast of Tehachapi, CA. Brush and hardwood slash. Smoldering. Structures and a wind energy facility threatened.

**Buck**, Riverside Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Chaney). Thirteen miles east of Anza, CA. Chaparral. 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
Vallecito Lightning Complex	CA	MVU	19,625	4,100	70	UNK	1,552	98	48	85	14	0	5.5M	ST
Ramsey	CA	STF	1,151	151	45	8/19	477	98	11	27	5	0	2M	FS
Jawbone Complex	CA	CDD	12,462	0	85	8/18	818	360	17	60	4	19	5M	BLM
Buck	CA	RRU	2,681	0	90	8/18	1,057	72	37	102	0	4	2.5M	ST
Quail	CA	JTP	297	22	100	---	3	-97	0	0	0	0	400K	NPS

JTP – Joshua Tree NM

### **Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 4  
 New large fires: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 5  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**West Garceau**, Flathead Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Kusicko). Fifteen miles east of Polson, MT. Timber and grass understory. Active fire behavior. Residences and high voltage power lines threatened.

**Steep Corner**, Clearwater Potlatch Timber Protective Association, Idaho Department of Lands. IMT 2 (Pearson). Twenty-five miles northeast of Orofino, ID. Logging slash. Moderate fire activity with isolated torching.

\* **Meadow Creek**, Lolo NF. Eleven miles northwest of Lincoln, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity with group tree torching.

**Mallard**, Nez Perce NF. Twenty-five miles south of Elk City, ID. Timber and grass understory. No new information.

**Powell SBW West Complex** (2 fires), Clearwater NF. Previously reported incident. Forty-five miles southwest of Lolo, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with isolated and group tree torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Powell SBW East Complex** (4 fires), Clearwater NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-seven miles southwest of Lolo, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with single and group tree torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Condon Mountain**, Flathead NF. Five miles northeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Backing fire with torching.

**Ditch**, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-three miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Salamander**, Bitterroot NF. Previously reported incident. Forty miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Cabin Spring**, Bitterroot NF. Forty-eight miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Moose Ridge**, Nez Perce NF. Thirty-three miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. 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
West Garceau	MT	FHA	9,000	200	20	8/20	181	59	3	15	0	0	786K	BIA
Steep Corner	ID	CTS	220	20	40	UNK	167	5	4	1	2	0	740K	ST
* Meadow Creek	MT	LNF	224	---	20	8/24	135	---	4	0	4	0	780K	FS
Mallard	ID	NPF	167	---	60	UNK	20	---	1	0	0	0	200K	FS
Powell SBW West Complex	ID	CWF	1,434	---	N/A	N/A	20	---	0	0	2	0	224K	FS
Powell SBW East Complex	ID	CWF	4,594	---	N/A	N/A	16	---	0	3	0	0	85K	FS
Condon Mountain	MT	FNF	1,036	38	0	10/1	136	7	3	6	2	0	982K	FS
Ditch	ID	NPF	2,234	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Salamander	MT	BRF	1,056	---	N/A	N/A	1	---	0	0	0	0	10K	FS
* Cabin Spring	MT	BRF	200	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	FS
* Moose Ridge	ID	NPF	104	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	FS
Rosebud Creek Complex	MT	EAS	171,444	0	100	---	66	7	1	13	0	10	9M	ST

EAS – Eastern Land Office, Montana DNR

### **Southern Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 25  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 6

**Rhodes Ranch II**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land two miles northeast of Palo Pinto, TX. Brush. Minimal fire behavior.

**Davis Haynes Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. Eight miles southwest of Albany, TX. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

**Lometa Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. Eight miles southwest of Lometa, TX. Chaparral. Moderate fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**Lacey**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Eight miles southwest of Monticello, AR. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Casa**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Two miles northwest of Casa, AR. Timber. No new information.

**Rose Hill**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Three miles northwest of Wheelen Springs, AR. 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
Rhodes Ranch II	TX	TXS	1,995	0	95	UNK	101	0	0	35	2	0	NR	PRI
Davis Haynes Ranch	TX	TXS	542	0	90	UNK	9	0	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
Lometa Ranch	TX	TXS	1,150	0	70	UNK	25	6	0	0	4	0	NR	ST

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
Lacey	AR	ARS	400	---	50	UNK	10	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Casa	AR	ARS	450	---	95	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Rose Hill	AR	ARS	500	---	85	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Lagoon Creek	OK	PAA	3,500	0	100	---	18	0	0	25	0	12	40K	BIA
Dark Valley	TX	TXS	1,745	0	100	---	87	0	0	27	3	0	NR	PRI
Powerline 37	FL	FNF	300	0	100	---	7	-7	0	2	1	0	12K	FS
* Grange Fire	AR	ARS	232	---	100	---	10	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST

PAA – Pawnee Agency, BIA

FNF – National Forests in Florida

### **Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 5  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Mistake Peak**, Tonto NF. IMT 2 (Reidy). Twelve miles from Tonto Basin, AZ. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Charley**, Tonto NF. IMT 2 (Philbin). Three miles west of Sunflower, AZ. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

**Jumpup**, Kaibab NF. Thirty-nine miles southeast of Fredonia, AZ. Grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Hold Up**, Cibola NF. Ten miles east of Duty, NM. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Queen**, Tonto NF. Two miles northeast of Superior, AZ. Grass. Minimal 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
Mistake Peak	AZ	TNF	4,800	0	25	8/30	449	27	11	14	4	0	1.6M	FS
Charley	AZ	TNF	2,300	0	80	8/20	164	82	2	4	2	0	120K	FS
Jumpup	AZ	KNF	360	---	50	UNK	39	---	1	5	1	0	38K	FS
Hold Up	NM	CIF	170	0	75	UNK	0	-6	0	0	0	0	25K	FS
Queen	AZ	TNF	600	0	0	8/22	4	-1	0	0	0	0	3K	FS

## Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

**Dry Creek**, Military Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Fifteen miles south of Fairbanks, AK. Black spruce and brush. Backing fire with single 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
Dry Creek	AZ	MIL	3,000	2,658	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	BLM

## Other Fires

(As of August 17)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	4	40,015	0	0	0	0
NW	2	304	10	9	4	342
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	21	27,015	28	0	4	128
EB	8	93,939	5	14	2	216
WB	1	43,271	6	5	1	225
SW	4	929	5	1	1	73
RM	3	1,492	0	1	2	32
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	5	2,294	1	39	0	101
Total	48	209,259	55	69	14	1,117

This table does not include fires reported in the large fire section of this report. Updated weekly.

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Widely scattered thunderstorms will develop across the Southwest, the central Rockies and the southern Great Basin. Isolated thunderstorms will also form over the Sierras in California. Hot conditions will continue over the West. Cooler weather will spread through the Plains and the mid and upper Mississippi Valley as a cold front pushes toward the East coast and the Gulf states. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will form ahead of the front from Texas and Oklahoma to the mid-Atlantic and north to New England.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



## Today's discussion is from the Motorized Operations Category.

Driving is one of the most hazardous things we do because we literally perform the task hundreds of times in the course of our daily lives we tend to take it for granted. Based on recent accident trends, vehicle accidents are the source of more deaths and serious injuries to wildland firefighters than any other single cause.

- To be a safe driver you have to *want* to be one. Take a good hard look at your driving habits. Are you training yourself to do the right things the right way, like fastening your seat belt, checking your mirrors, and maintaining safe following distances?
- Inattentiveness is a major contributing factor in motor vehicle accidents within the wildland firefighting community. Since the average adult attention span is 15-20 minutes we must develop techniques that allow us to refocus our attention on our driving.
- Many things can lure our attention away from our driving such as: fatigue, eating and drinking, reading directions and maps, writing, cell phone and radio use, conversation within the vehicle and music.
  - ✓ Drive only when you are well rested and alert and avoid driving during the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM. Take a 10 to 15 minute break after every 2 hours.
  - ✓ Practice situational awareness; be aware of what is happening in front, behind, and on both sides of your vehicle.
  - ✓ Never drive when taking medications that make you drowsy.
  - ✓ Delegate navigation and communication to a passenger or pull over.
  - ✓ By constantly moving your vision, checking mirrors and distant road conditions, you can avoid highway hypnosis and daydreaming.
  - ✓ Avoid eating or drinking while driving.
  - ✓ When talking with passengers, keep your eyes on the road and both hands on the steering wheel. Avoid serious or argumentative conversations.
  - ✓ Do not be in a hurry, be patient.
- Safe driving starts with a safe vehicle. Something as simple as under-inflated tires can have serious consequences. Before operating any vehicle, do a walk-around to look for potential problems, make sure the lights and blinkers work, and adjust your seat and mirrors. If it is the first time you have driven the vehicle, make yourself aware of where everything is.

### Additional Resources:

Video: Firefighter Remember This Series - [Firefighter: Remember This - Engine Rollover: Why This Accident Started Months Ago](#)  
[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					3		3
	ACRES					3		3
Northwest	FIRES		0			5	4	9
	ACRES		22,650			4	0	22,654
Northern California	FIRES		0			16	10	26
	ACRES		44,710			121	3,175	48,006
Southern California	FIRES		1		2	26	3	32
	ACRES		0		1	3,007	7	3,015
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	3	4
	ACRES					4	87	91
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		8			1	1	10
	ACRES		801			290	20,375	21,466
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8			1	8	17
	ACRES		3,201			601	23	3,825
Southwest	FIRES	0	1			1	2	4
	ACRES	200	199			1	10	410
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					80	32	112
Southern Area	FIRES			1		20	4	25
	ACRES			1		1,129	6	1,136
TOTAL	FIRES	0	18	1	2	75	36	132
	ACRES	200	71,561	1	1	5,240	23,715	100,718

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	28	20	241	5	332
	ACRES	43	51,334	39,678	67,906	49,744	0	208,705
Northwest	FIRES	144	167	20	12	442	447	1,232
	ACRES	9,596	1,082,039	1,788	10	16,514	88,477	1,198,424
Northern California	FIRES	91	20	2	8	1,942	431	2,494
	ACRES	168	209,241	0	18,506	12,849	93,032	333,796
Southern California	FIRES	28	143	10	33	4,362	447	5,023
	ACRES	33	27,035	8	1,141	50,536	5,579	84,332
Northern Rockies	FIRES	988	188	23	20	442	552	2,213
	ACRES	346,633	261,161	10,463	666	80,499	66,569	765,991
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	684		26	658	424	1,841
	ACRES	28,657	758,273		1,536	191,785	521,801	1,502,052
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	479	2	14	167	113	780
	ACRES	1,200	544,722	0	37	74,023	26,926	646,908
Southwest	FIRES	694	188	12	39	501	903	2,337
	ACRES	31,346	5,128	187	4,329	33,490	459,541	534,021
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1,080	480	28	32	1,235	564	3,419
	ACRES	68,201	61,132	1,232	833	443,034	178,600	753,032
Eastern Area	FIRES	679		46	17	7,725	524	8,991
	ACRES	1,644		4,775	402	75,388	9,862	92,071
Southern Area	FIRES	484		75	46	14,151	567	15,323
	ACRES	45,570		32,434	16,752	251,254	80,468	426,478
TOTAL	FIRES	4,243	2,386	246	267	31,866	4,977	43,985
	ACRES	533,091	3,000,065	90,565	112,118	1,279,116	1,530,855	6,545,810

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>52,005</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>5,062,226</b>

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**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			1		23		24
	ACRES			11		183		194
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	23	0	24
	ACRES	0	0	11	0	183	0	194

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	10		12
	ACRES				18	13,314		13,332
Northwest	FIRES	8	59	15			157	239
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,305			31,956	43,763
Northern California	FIRES	3	13	22	21		153	212
	ACRES	108	203	22,621	151		13,082	36,165
Southern California	FIRES		6	5	5	6	159	181
	ACRES		1,521	381	946	1,831	4,120	8,799
Northern Rockies	FIRES	16	9	68	3	33	192	321
	ACRES	1,822	4,745	16,495	233	1,809	20,854	45,958
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	20	42	79
	ACRES		898	188	230	324	18,824	20,464
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	4		13	4	29
	ACRES		2,261	419		279	221	3,180
Southwest	FIRES	31	17	12	15		131	206
	ACRES	1,214	8,519	5,512	109		38,954	54,308
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	19	109	21	13	55	240
	ACRES	2,025	2,945	21,564	2,492	1,283	9,707	40,016
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		495	41	961	149	1,683
	ACRES	22,116		78,745	9,054	57,531	57,406	224,852
Southern Area	FIRES	23		143	53	8,474	840	9,533
	ACRES	4,783		59,541	37,634	476,619	814,126	1,392,703
TOTAL	FIRES	141	142	875	165	9,530	1,882	12,735
	ACRES	35,570	28,092	206,771	50,867	552,990	1,009,250	1,883,540

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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	12	956	9,136
Yukon Territory	0	0	118	63,169
Alberta	4	0	1,239	359,159
Northwest Territory	0	0	247	278,875
Saskatchewan	0	12	369	220,941
Manitoba	0	0	435	194,532
Ontario	5	2,026	1,332	144,926
Quebec	0	0	716	70,078
Newfoundland	1	25	187	137,468
New Brunswick	1	3,231	312	3,589
Nova Scotia	1	29	326	810
Prince Edward Island	0	0	5	9
National Parks	0	0	63	275,048
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>5,334</b>	<b>6,305</b>	<b>1,757,739</b>

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