

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, August 29, 2012 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 4**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (82 new fires)
New large fires:	12 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	30
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	10
Type 2 IMTs committed:	8

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

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

Northern California Area (PL 5)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	9
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

North Pass, Mendocino NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Twenty-five miles northeast of Covelo, CA. Timber and logging slash. Active fire behavior with crown runs and spotting. Structures and communications site threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

Bagley, Shasta-Trinity NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Whitcome) to IMT 1 (McGowan) will occur today. Seven miles west of Big Bend, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Structures and high voltage power lines threatened. Road closures in effect.

Chips, Plumas NF. IMT 1 (Opliger). Twenty miles northwest of Quincy, CA. Timber and brush. Extreme fire behavior. Communities threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Fort Complex (4 fires), Klamath NF. NIMO (Kleinman) and IMT 1 (Pincha-Tulley). Ten miles northwest of Happy Camp, CA. Timber. Backing fire. Structures threatened. Road and trail closures in effect.

Ponderosa, Tehama-Glenn Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Kaslin). Two miles east of Manton, CA. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

Rush, Northern California District, BLM. IMT 1 (Turman). Fifteen miles southeast of Ravendale, CA. Juniper and brush. Creeping and smoldering. 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
North Pass	CA	MNF	32,675	1,019	35	9/10	1,648	-18	34	116	12	11	12.4M	FS
Bagley	CA	SHF	29,631	5,218	30	9/5	1,356	2	56	80	7	0	9M	FS
Chips	CA	PNF	74,125	932	87	8/31	1,527	-2	27	122	9	8	40.3M	FS
Fort Complex	CA	KNF	15,860	1,977	15	10/15	596	25	18	9	7	0	15.1M	FS
Ponderosa	CA	TGU	27,676	0	96	8/29	1,655	-239	55	92	2	134	24.5M	ST
Rush	CA	NOD	315,577	-2,823	82	8/30	533	-161	9	13	3	0	13.7M	BLM

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 3
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 4

* **North Canyon**, Caribou-Targhee NF. Twenty miles northwest of Montpelier, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with spotting. Structures and high voltage power lines threatened. Evacuations in effect.

* **Lava Tube**, Craters of the Moon NM. Twenty miles south of Arco, ID. Brush. Running fire.

Trinity Ridge, Boise NF. IMT 1 (Quesinberry and Lund). Seven miles northwest of Featherville, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs and short-range spotting. Numerous structures and communications site threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

Halstead, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Numerous structures and power lines threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

Mustang Complex (4 fires), Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 1 (Joseph and Blume). Twenty-eight miles west of North Fork, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

North Buffalo, Bridger-Teton NF. Previously reported incident. Fourteen miles northeast of Moran, WY. Timber. Active fire behavior with 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
* North Canyon	ID	CTF	300	---	0	8/30	46	---	0	12	1	3	75K	FS
* Lava Tube	ID	CMP	800	---	20	8/29	44	---	1	2	1	0	30K	NPS
Trinity Ridge	ID	BOF	132,663	4,640	10	10/1	1,404	-52	29	67	10	12	25.7M	FS
Halstead	ID	SCF	104,411	563	N/A	N/A	578	-29	6	35	4	0	13.8M	FS
Mustang Complex	ID	SCF	149,828	3,984	N/A	N/A	776	-2	11	59	2	1	11.6M	FS

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North Buffalo	WY	BTF	8,000	4,000	N/A	N/A	42	8	1	0	2	0	90K	FS
Radar Hill	ID	5CN	1,800	0	100	---	0	-43	0	0	0	0	255K	CNTY

5CN – Clark County

Northern Rockies Area (PL 4)

New fires: 22
 New large fires: 5
 Uncontained large fires: 10
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

* **Skinner**, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. One mile southeast of Winnett, MT. Grass. Running fire.

* **Nineteen Mile**, Central Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 ordered. Ten miles south of Butte, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

* **Rosebud**, Southern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 1 (Poncin). Ten miles south of Roscoe, MT. Timber. Residences threatened. No further information received.

Delphia, Southern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Heintz). Fourteen miles northeast of Roundup, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

* **McGuire Complex**, Nez Perce NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Five miles west of Dixie, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting.

* **Millie**, Gallatin NF. IMT 2 ordered. Twenty miles south of Bozeman, MT. Timber. No further information received.

Powell SBW East Complex, Clearwater NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-seven miles southwest of Lolo, MT. Timber. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Powell SBW West Complex, Clearwater NF. Previously reported incident. Forty-five miles southwest of Lolo, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Elevation Mountain, Southwestern Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Fry). IMT is also managing the Felan Gulch fire. Started on BLM land ten miles southwest of Ovando, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Felan Gulch, Southwestern Land Office, Montana DNR. Started on private land ten miles west of Drummond, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

Deep Creek 2, North Dakota State. Started on private land twelve miles north of Marmanth, ND. Juniper and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Condon Mountain, Flathead NF. Five miles northeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Isolated 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
* Skinner	MT	LED	3,000	---	0	UNK	49	---	0	15	1	0	50K	BLM
* Nineteen Mile	MT	CES	375	---	0	UNK	86	---	0	20	0	0	5K	ST
* Rosebud	MT	SOS	500	---	0	UNK	59	---	0	15	3	0	60K	ST
Delphia	MT	SOS	40,653	553	75	8/31	411	-1	7	52	7	0	1.6M	ST
* McGuire Complex	ID	NPF	555	---	0	9/15	70	---	3	0	0	0	157K	FS
* Millie	MT	GNF	500	---	0	UNK	30	---	1	0	1	0	20K	FS
Powell SBW East Complex	ID	CWF	17,700	---	N/A	N/A	6	---	0	1	0	0	164K	FS
Powell SBW West Complex	ID	CWF	4,526	---	N/A	N/A	4	---	0	0	1	0	221K	FS
Elevation Mountain	MT	SWS	585	0	30	UNK	369	-28	10	7	4	0	2.1M	BLM
Felan Gulch	MT	SWS	142	0	80	8/30	75	8	2	5	1	0	308K	PRI
Deep Creek 2	ND	NDS	3,000	0	90	8/29	33	-13	0	9	0	0	80K	PRI
Condon Mountain	MT	FNF	1,746	40	50	10/1	51	-8	1	3	1	0	2.6M	FS

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 6
New large fires: 2
Uncontained large fires: 5
Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Cache Creek, Wallowa-Whitman NF. IMT 2 (Rapp). Forty-two miles northeast of Enterprise, OR. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting. Structures threatened.

Waterfalls 2, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Williams). Twenty-two miles west of Warm Springs, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching. Structures threatened.

* **Parish Cabin**, Malheur NF. IMT 2 (Watts). Fifteen miles northeast of Seneca, OR. Timber. Evacuations in effect. No further information received.

* **Danner Loop 2**, Vale District, BLM. Eight miles west of Jordan Valley, OR. Brush and grass. Running fire.

Butte, Umpqua NF. Fifteen miles northwest of Chemult, OR. 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
Cache Creek	OR	WWF	69,000	4,000	35	9/5	818	5	25	20	8	1	5.7M	FS
Waterfalls 2	OR	WSA	12,188	402	60	9/15	930	38	27	23	11	0	9.1M	BIA
* Parish Cabin	OR	MAF	4,000	---	0	UNK	75	---	1	14	2	0	250K	FS
* Danner Loop 2	OR	VAD	4,000	---	10	8/30	65	---	0	11	2	0	30K	BLM
Butte	OR	UPF	142	0	95	9/1	30	-19	1	0	1	0	3M	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
Taylor Bridge	WA	SES	23,500	0	100	---	40	-98	0	8	0	272	10.6M	ST
Diamond Butte	WA	YAA	285	0	100	---	225	-30	6	1	0	0	2M	BIA

SES – Southeast Region, Washington DNR

YAA – Yakama Agency, BIA

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires: 14
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 2

* **Roach**, Arapaho and Roosevelt NF. Ten miles northwest of Glendevey, CO. Timber. Short crown runs with spotting.

* **Whitmeyer Creek**, Sheridan County. Six miles northeast of Clearmont, WY. Brush and grass. Running and spotting. 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
* Roach	CO	ARF	250	---	10	8/31	105	---	3	7	2	0	10K	FS
* Whitmeyer Creek	WY	SHX	2,500	---	0	UNK	47	---	0	10	1	0	NR	CNTY

Western Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 2
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Jay Creek**, Elko District, BLM. Thirty miles east of Jackpot, NV. Juniper and brush. Active fire behavior with 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
* Jay Creek	NV	EKD	300	---	30	8/30	226	---	6	16	3	0	NR	BLM

Other Fires

(As of August 24)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	2	36,844	0	0	0	0
NW	5	41,994	5	23	2	262
NO	2	29,279	12	30	2	575
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	26	38,033	3	1	5	126
EB	9	73,385	0	3	0	17
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	2	622	0	1	0	10
RM	2	2,925	0	0	1	19
EA	1	3,200	0	0	0	45
SA	2	793	0	3	0	4
Total	51	227,075	20	61	10	1,058

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

Predictive Services Discussion: Strong winds and low relative humidity will produce critical fire weather conditions across the northern Great Basin and the northern Rockies. A cold front moving through the region will bring cooler weather from the Northwest to western Montana. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms will form over the higher terrain of the Great Basin and the Southwest but conditions will generally be warm and dry over most of the West. High pressure over the Ohio valley will keep conditions relatively mild and quiet over most of the East. Hurricane Isaac will weaken as it moves across Louisiana. Scattered thunderstorms and heavy rain will spread across most of the Gulf region.

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



Today's discussion is from the
LCES (Lookouts, Communication, Escape Routes,
and Safety Zones) Category.

Escape Routes (part 2)

Escape Routes are the path the firefighter takes from their current locations, exposed to the danger, to an area free from danger. Notice that escape routes is used instead of escape route(s). Unlike the other components, there always must be more than one escape route available to the firefighter. Escape routes are probably the most elusive component of LCES. Their effectiveness changes continuously. As the firefighter works along the fire perimeter, fatigue and spatial separation increases the time required to reach the safety zone. The most common escape route (or part of an escape route) is the fireline. On indirect or parallel fireline, situations become compounded. Unless safety zones have been identified ahead, as well as behind, firefighters retreat may not be possible.

- Have you ever timed an escape route? If not how do you judge its effectiveness?
- Describe a time when you were uncomfortably distant from your escape route.
- Describe a method you have used to communicate an escape route to your crews.

References:

["LCES and Other Thoughts" by Paul Gleason](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES					1	5	6
	ACRES					0	199	199
Northern California	FIRES	1					2	3
	ACRES	0					9,757	9,757
Southern California	FIRES	2					2	4
	ACRES	7					1	8
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3				6	13	22
	ACRES	105				3,627	781	4,513
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	2				4	7
	ACRES	60	2				9,949	10,011
Western Great Basin	FIRES		0			1	1	2
	ACRES		50			0	0	50
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						2	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		5		1	7	1	14
	ACRES		0		0	348	0	348
Eastern Area	FIRES					13		13
	ACRES					16		16
Southern Area	FIRES					8		8
	ACRES					50		50
TOTAL	FIRES	7	7	0	1	37	30	82
	ACRES	172	52	0	0	4,041	20,689	24,954

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	30	20	253	5	346
	ACRES	43	51,334	39,679	68,106	89,278	0	248,440
Northwest	FIRES	153	184	24	21	518	574	1,474
	ACRES	15,922	1,083,327	1,819	12	37,796	160,652	1,299,528
Northern California	FIRES	95	22	2	10	2,191	476	2,796
	ACRES	168	413,780	0	28,526	27,444	168,586	638,504
Southern California	FIRES	31	145	10	48	2,458	510	3,202
	ACRES	43	28,742	8	1,259	32,791	6,019	68,862
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,040	198	28	22	540	677	2,505
	ACRES	351,794	274,331	11,081	2,296	160,176	96,638	896,316
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	54	727		28	701	500	2,010
	ACRES	28,734	763,259		1,537	195,814	698,059	1,687,403
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	518	2	15	174	126	840
	ACRES	1,200	551,751	0	37	73,958	26,931	653,877
Southwest	FIRES	697	195	12	41	508	953	2,406
	ACRES	31,583	5,198	187	4,332	33,499	460,458	535,257
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1,135	474	33	37	1,544	556	3,779
	ACRES	80,537	57,093	4,207	837	472,544	125,721	740,939
Eastern Area	FIRES	683		49	17	7,793	537	9,079
	ACRES	1,647		4,776	402	76,165	10,434	93,424
Southern Area	FIRES	493		77	46	14,389	575	15,580
	ACRES	45,692		32,812	16,752	253,319	80,634	429,209
TOTAL	FIRES	4,387	2,500	267	305	31,069	5,489	44,017
	ACRES	557,363	3,228,815	94,569	124,096	1,452,784	1,834,132	7,291,759

Ten Year Average Fires	55,755
Ten Year Average Acres	5,789,550

*** 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					1		1
	ACRES					12		12
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	12	0	12

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	16		1	157	241
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,330		0	31,956	43,788
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	8	71	3	33	192	323
	ACRES	1,822	4,608	17,951	233	1,809	20,854	47,277
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	42	227
	ACRES	2,100	2,945	21,564	2,492	1,283	8,280	38,664
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		497	41	967	152	1,694
	ACRES	22,116		78,904	9,054	57,628	57,595	225,297
Southern Area	FIRES	23		143	53	8,608	840	9,667
	ACRES	4,783		59,541	37,634	478,356	814,126	1,394,440
TOTAL	FIRES	141	141	881	165	9,671	1,872	12,871
	ACRES	35,645	27,955	208,411	50,867	554,824	1,008,012	1,885,714

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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	49	10,476	1,263	52,161
Yukon Territory	0	0	125	92,116
Alberta	7	4,220	1,323	377,900
Northwest Territory	0	0	268	280,314
Saskatchewan	2	4	389	231,763
Manitoba	0	6	445	201,142
Ontario	2	2	1,364	146,007
Quebec	1	2,994	729	73,063
Newfoundland	0	0	190	137,469
New Brunswick	4	2	321	362
Nova Scotia	1	0	335	811
Prince Edward Island	0	0	5	9
National Parks	0	10	72	275,320
Total	66	17,714	6,829	1,868,436

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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