

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, September 26, 2012 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 3**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (84 new fires)
New large fires:	2 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: **	30
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	8

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

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

**Northwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	7
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	19
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

**Table Mountain**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 1 (Morcom). Eight miles northeast of Cle Elum, WA. Timber, logging slash, brush and grass. Backing fire with short upslope runs. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Wenatchee Complex** (10 fires), Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Pendleton) to IMT 1 (Reinarz) will occur today. Two miles west of Wenatchee, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Upslope runs with spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Goat**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (Leitch). Three miles southwest of Pateros, WA. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened.

**Cascade Creek**, Gifford Pinchot NF. IMT 2 (Nickey). Eight miles north of Trout Lake, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior.

**Pole Creek**, Deschutes NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Watts) back to the local unit will occur 9/29. Six miles southwest of Sisters, OR. Timber. Minimal fire activity with occasional torching. Numerous residences threatened.

**Okanogan Complex** (3 fires), Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Williams) back to the local unit will occur today. Eight miles southeast of Carlton, WA. Timber. Backing fire with isolated torching. Structures threatened.

**Yakima Complex**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Seventeen miles northwest of Ellensburg, WA. Timber, brush and grass. No new information.

\* **Rooper**, Prineville District, BLM. Started on private land three miles northwest of Antelope, OR. Brush and grass. Running fire.

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
Table Mountain	WA	OWF	37,677	1,387	15	10/5	1,136	73	24	73	6	3	7.2M	FS
Wenatchee Complex	WA	OWF	53,144	6	30	UNK	1,337	-180	29	59	11	1	23.6M	FS
Goat	WA	OWF	6,912	119	40	9/28	556	-33	16	23	4	0	2.1M	FS
Cascade Creek	WA	GPF	14,919	1,192	40	UNK	640	41	18	20	6	0	8.9M	FS
Pole Creek	OR	DEF	26,285	0	75	10/15	729	-103	17	28	6	0	13.2M	FS
Okanogan Complex	WA	OWF	6,169	38	80	10/2	429	3	11	20	4	0	6.5M	FS
Yakima Complex	WA	OWF	2,300	---	90	UNK	385	---	6	30	0	0	8.7M	FS
* Rooper	OR	PRD	600	---	10	9/26	21	---	0	4	1	0	5K	PRI

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

New fires: 3  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 8  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**McGuire Complex** (2 fires), Nez Perce NF. IMT 1 (Joseph). One mile northwest of Dixie, ID. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with occasional single tree torching and short-range spotting. Communities threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Sheep**, Nez Perce NF. IMT 1 (Turman). One mile east of Lucille, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Moderate fire activity with occasional torching. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Condon Mountain**, Flathead NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Three miles northeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Backing fire with isolated group tree torching and short uphill runs. Residences threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Eagle Creek**, Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Heintz). Thirteen miles southwest of Lame Deer, MT. Grass. Creeping and smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Sawtooth**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 2 (Hall). Seven miles southwest of Hamilton, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with single tree torching. Numerous structures threatened.

**Millie**, Gallatin NF. Twenty miles south of Bozeman, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

**Cottonwood Creek**, Dakota Prairie National Grasslands. Started on private land thirty miles southwest of Watford City, ND. Juniper, brush and grass. Creeping with single tree torching. 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
McGuire Complex	ID	NPF	72,668	97	5	10/31	603	-60	8	43	6	0	15.7M	FS
Sheep	ID	NPF	47,341	113	41	UNK	446	-28	8	16	5	2	11.2M	FS
Condon Mountain	MT	FNF	4,500	200	40	10/31	205	8	4	9	5	0	4.7M	FS
Eagle Creek	MT	NCA	4,140	-60	60	9/28	128	14	1	15	2	0	350K	BIA
Sawtooth	MT	BRF	5,829	40	45	UNK	49	2	0	3	4	0	6.8M	FS
Millie	MT	GNF	10,515	0	87	11/1	102	-13	2	4	2	0	10.5M	FS
Cottonwood Creek	ND	DPF	542	-123	70	9/28	63	-19	1	8	1	0	223K	PRI
Wilson	MT	SOS	3,682	0	100	---	99	4	1	20	1	0	300K	ST

SOS – Southern Land Office, Montana DNR

### **Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)**

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

**Wesley**, Payette NF. IMT 1 (Lund). Twelve miles northwest of New Meadows, ID. Timber. Backing fire with isolated torching.

**Mustang Complex** (6 fires), Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Whalen). Three miles northwest of North Fork, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

**Halstead**, Salmon-Challis NF. Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Moderate fire activity with torching. Numerous structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Horsethief Canyon**, Teton County. Five miles south of Jackson, WY. Timber, brush and grass. 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
Wesley	ID	PAF	15,233	30	42	11/1	837	-75	25	21	7	0	10.1M	FS
Mustang Complex	ID	SCF	336,744	662	N/A	N/A	367	-94	5	31	6	7	34.3M	FS
Halstead	ID	SCF	179,308	3	N/A	N/A	66	-1	1	5	3	0	25.9M	FS
Horsethief Canyon	WY	TDX	3,373	0	94	UNK	51	-14	2	1	0	0	8.9M	CNTY
Karney	ID	SWS	440	0	100	---	12	-50	0	2	0	1	2.3M	PRI

SWS – Southwest Area Office, IDL

**Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 19  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Shockey**, Monte Vista Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Chaney). Three miles southwest of Live Oak Springs, CA. Chaparral. 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
Shockey	CA	MVU	2,851	400	90	9/26	1,402	-447	47	115	0	25	2.9M	ST

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 9  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

**Alpine Lake**, Wind River Agency, BIA. Thirty miles northwest of Ft. Washakie, WY. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Middle Elk**, White River NF. Thirty miles north of New Castle, CO. Timber. Smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. 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
Alpine Lake	WY	WRA	46,028	2,296	N/A	N/A	74	-26	1	6	4	0	3.3M	BIA
Middle Elk	CO	WRF	230	0	N/A	N/A	7	-72	0	0	1	0	300K	FS
Border	WY	SHX	5,779	-1,221	100	---	6	-12	0	2	0	0	NR	CNTY

SHX – Sheridan County

**Southern Area (PL 1)**

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

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
* Hog Creek #2	OK	OKS	615	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	ST

OKS – Oklahoma DOF

## Other Fires

(As of September 21)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	4	93,600	4	27	0	222
NO	1	46,011	4	8	2	328
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	30	50,440	2	5	1	237
EB	9	81,931	0	1	0	9
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	1	8,068	4	4	3	153
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	45	280,050	14	45	6	949

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

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Isolated to widely scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop across the Rockies from northern Wyoming to northern New Mexico. Otherwise, warm and dry conditions will continue in the West. A cold front will stall across the Ohio Valley, bringing cooler weather to the Great Lakes and northern Plains, with showers and a few thunderstorms from Missouri to New England. Warm and humid conditions will remain over the Gulf Coast region and the Southeast.

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



Today's discussion is from the Aviation Category.

## SAFECOMS

### Attention! To All Involved in Aviation Operations!

- Ever feel like you don't make a difference?
- Want to really have an effect on aviation safety?
- Well, here's your chance!!!!

The Interagency SAFECOM Working Group has developed a quick survey to get feedback from you- the user. In an effort to reach as many folks as possible we have put it on the internet linked from the SAFECOM Homepage and from the icon and link below. Please take 5-10 minutes to complete the survey and provide us with your thoughts. The survey will be open from October 1, 2009 to July 31, 2010 to get the widest possible respondent pool. A running total of responses will be posted on the SAFECOM website monthly, and survey results will be distributed shortly after it closes.



If the above icon does not work, please click on the following link or copy and paste into your web browser:

<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB229PT2DSXYS>



### What the SAFECOM system IS

The Aviation Safety Communiqué (SAFECOM) [AMD-34/FS-5700-14](#) should be used to report any condition, observation, act, maintenance problem, or circumstance with personnel or the aircraft that has the potential to cause an aviation-related mishap. SAFECOMS are a tool used to identify, document, track, and correct safety related issues.

### What the SAFECOM system IS NOT

- NOT intended for initiating punitive actions,
- NOT to be used as a complaint system or for personal attacks,
- NOT used by contracting officers for contract evaluations/award purposes,
- NOT a substitute for "on-the-spot" corrections to a safety concern,
- Does NOT replace the requirement for initiating an accident or incident report.

### SAFECOMS provide the necessary feedback for development of the following communication tools:

- [Accident Prevention Bulletins](#)
- [Lessons Learned](#)
- [Safety Alerts](#)
- [Technical Bulletins](#)
- [Airwards](#)
- Information sharing Memos
- Maintenance deficiencies (ADs, SBs, etc)
- Safety trends
- Training needs

Please contact AMD at (208)433-5070 or USFS at (208)387-5285 to report problems with the SAFECOM system.

#### References:

[Safecom website www.safecom.gov](#)

[Safety Alert 08-07](#)

[Safety Alert 06-01](#)

[See a short slide show on the Effective Use of the SAFECOM system](#)

**NEW FEATURE!!** Image files (jpg and gif) and PDF files can now be added to your SAFECOM to help clarify and enhance the narrative.

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		4			1	2	7
	ACRES		291			5	0	296
Northern California	FIRES					9	3	12
	ACRES					0	1	1
Southern California	FIRES					17	2	19
	ACRES					3	12	15
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1					2	3
	ACRES	21					11,365	11,386
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	3		1	2	0	7
	ACRES	0	7		0	0	767	774
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	3	3			2	1	9
	ACRES	2,311	22			209	0	2,542
Eastern Area	FIRES					11		11
	ACRES					33		33
Southern Area	FIRES					14	1	15
	ACRES					35	1	36
TOTAL	FIRES	5	11	0	1	56	11	84
	ACRES	2,332	320	0	0	285	12,146	15,083

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	31	21	292	5	387
	ACRES	43	51,334	39,682	68,154	96,655	0	255,868
Northwest	FIRES	176	175	26	28	719	814	1,938
	ACRES	17,745	1,113,960	1,901	20	46,019	239,541	1,419,186
Northern California	FIRES	105	24	2	12	2,521	555	3,219
	ACRES	176	423,780	0	28,526	33,667	327,671	813,820
Southern California	FIRES	32	159	10	58	2,862	586	3,707
	ACRES	43	32,676	8	1,837	33,786	10,177	78,527
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,168	209	41	23	653	800	2,894
	ACRES	418,069	329,586	11,267	5,174	184,875	413,122	1,362,093
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	60	825	1	34	794	584	2,298
	ACRES	29,444	785,494	2	2,136	217,372	988,683	2,023,131
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	636	2	16	193	139	991
	ACRES	1	530,140	0	28	67,926	42,227	640,322
Southwest	FIRES	722	179	12	42	519	1,020	2,494
	ACRES	33,699	5,087	187	4,334	33,752	460,502	537,561
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1,289	526	35	40	1,613	656	4,159
	ACRES	153,108	52,131	4,113	837	637,296	188,804	1,036,289
Eastern Area	FIRES	732		49	18	8,121	584	9,504
	ACRES	1,893		4,776	402	80,401	12,389	99,861
Southern Area	FIRES	506		78	46	14,909	595	16,134
	ACRES	45,748		32,813	16,752	258,257	80,866	434,436
TOTAL	FIRES	4,796	2,770	287	338	33,196	6,338	47,725
	ACRES	699,969	3,324,188	94,749	128,200	1,690,006	2,763,982	8,701,094

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>61,227</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,570,516</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			1				1
	ACRES			846				846
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						224	224
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					10		10
Southern Area	FIRES					20	4	24
	ACRES					68	584	652
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	21	6	28
	ACRES	0	0	846	0	78	808	1,732

### 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	62	17			158	245
	ACRES	3,502	5,873	1,335			32,015	42,725
Northern California	FIRES	3	13	26	22	3	156	223
	ACRES	108	203	22,634	158	15	13,137	36,255
Southern California	FIRES		6	6	5	6	159	182
	ACRES		1,521	1,227	946	1,831	4,120	9,645
Northern Rockies	FIRES	19	9	75	3	35	192	333
	ACRES	1,967	4,609	18,436	233	1,811	20,854	47,910
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	20	42	79
	ACRES		898	188	230	324	18,824	20,464
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	4		15	4	26
	ACRES		625	419		3,079	221	4,344
Southwest	FIRES	31	17	12	18		133	211
	ACRES	1,214	8,039	5,512	320		39,271	54,356
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28	13	98	21	13	51	224
	ACRES	4,670	1,543	20,827	2,492	1,283	8,662	39,477
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		501	41	881	152	1,612
	ACRES	22,116		79,226	9,054	55,096	57,595	223,087
Southern Area	FIRES	23		146	53	9,051	844	10,117
	ACRES	4,783		59,839	37,634	481,317	814,471	1,398,044
TOTAL	FIRES	149	134	887	169	10,034	1,891	13,264
	ACRES	38,360	23,311	209,643	51,085	558,070	1,009,170	1,889,639

**\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\***

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

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.

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