

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Saturday August 3, 2013 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 3**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (162 new fires)
New large fires:	2 (*)
Large fires contained:	7
Uncontained large fires: **	25
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	13

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

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

One MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 145<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard), and one from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard), are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

**Northwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	53
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	13
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

**Douglas Complex** (three fires), Oregon DOF. IMT 2 (Sifford). Seven miles north of Glendale, OR. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures and a communication site threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Whiskey Complex** (three fires), Umpqua NF. IMT 2 (Williams). Six miles east of Tiller, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with occasional torching. Structures threatened. Evacuations and area closure in effect.

**Big Windy Complex** (two fires), Grants Pass Unit, Oregon DOF. IMT 1 (Schulte). Twenty-five miles northwest of Grants Pass, OR. Timber and brush. No new information.

**Colockum Tarps**, Southeast Region, Washington DNR. IMT 2 (Nickey). Six miles southeast of Malaga, WA. Timber and grass. Moderate fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Brimstone**, Grants Pass Unit, Oregon DOF. IMT 2 (Thorpe). Seven miles northwest of Merlin, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened.

**Labrador**, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Thirteen miles northwest of Cave Junction, OR. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Mile Marker 28**, Yakama Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Rabe). Fifteen miles northeast of Goldendale, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Interior burning with isolated torching. Numerous structures and power lines threatened.

\* **Riverside Block Complex**, Northeast Region, Washington DNR. Five miles southwest of Riverside, WA. Grass. No further information received.

**Green Ridge**, Deschutes NF. Fourteen miles northwest of Sisters, OR. Timber and brush. Short runs with isolated torching and short-range spotting. Residences threatened. Area closures in effect. 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
Douglas Complex	OR	DOF	32,535	3,939	15	UNK	2,337	692	69	81	12	4	10M	ST
Whiskey Complex	OR	UPF	4,839	654	20	UNK	905	25	27	32	7	0	4.3M	FS
Big Windy Complex	OR	DOF	3,718	---	0	UNK	---	499	13	9	4	0	1.3M	ST
Colockum Tarps	WA	SES	80,400	292	50	UNK	751	-82	11	89	4	5	4.3M	ST
Brimstone	OR	DOF	2,298	587	40	UNK	706	3	26	31	7	0	5.9M	ST
Labrador	OR	RSF	2,020	0	N/A	N/A	510	13	14	8	5	0	3M	FS
Mile Marker 28	WA	YAA	27,097	398	82	8/6	1,064	-208	26	74	4	0	9.1M	BIA
* Riverside Block Complex	WA	NES	1,615	---	0	UNK	73	---	0	12	1	0	NR	ST
Green Ridge	OR	DEF	120	-30	0	8/10	266	244	11	6	1	0	400K	FS
Stemler Ridge	OR	VAD	3,078	10	100	---	69	0	1	12	1	0	50K	BLM

VAD – Vale District, BLM

### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 29  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**Lodgepole**, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman), IMT 2 (Adell) and IMT 2 (Whalen). Ten miles west of Challis, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Ridge**, Boise NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Wilde) back to the local unit occurred yesterday. Fourteen miles northeast of Lowman, ID. Timber. 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
Lodgepole	ID	SCF	20,060	100	35	UNK	688	5	18	22	9	0	10M	FS
Ridge	ID	BOF	5,270	0	48	9/30	129	-71	0	0	1	0	6.2M	FS
Southeast Red Bridge	ID	TFD	9,900	400	100	---	77	5	0	15	0	0	100K	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
Cinder Road	ID	TFD	4,244	1,244	100	---	41	3	0	11	0	0	75K	BLM
Black Ridge	ID	TFD	1,400	0	100	---	0	-27	0	0	0	0	80K	BLM
* Crane Falls	ID	BOD	950	---	100	---	15	---	0	4	0	0	30K	BLM

TFD – Twin Falls District, BLM      BOD – Boise District, BLM

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

New fires: 10  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 4  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Moose Meadow**, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Twenty miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Evacuation orders have been lifted. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Gold Pan Complex**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 1 (Poncin) and IMT 2 (Hutton). Thirty-five miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. Smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Emigrant**, Gallatin NF. Nine miles south of Emigrant, MT. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Crescendo**, Idaho Panhandle NF. Twenty-two miles south of Avery, ID. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Gold Creek**, Lolo NF. Sixteen miles northeast of Missoula, MT. Timber. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. 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
Moose Meadow	MT	BDF	3,400	0	40	9/1	522	-40	17	8	6	0	4.1M	FS
Gold Pan Complex	MT	BRF	16,330	12	N/A	N/A	422	59	8	6	6	0	1.9M	FS
Emigrant	MT	GNF	620	10	5	10/20	45	0	1	4	1	0	1.4M	FS
Crescendo	ID	IPF	860	0	0	UNK	79	-15	2	5	0	0	1.5M	FS
Gold Creek	MT	LNF	171	0	98	8/4	24	0	1	0	0	0	2.5M	FS
Firestone Flats	MT	FHA	1,750	0	100	---	263	-99	5	8	5	0	2.8M	BIA

FHA – Flathead Agency, BIA

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

New fires: 25  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 3  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Salmon River Complex** (two fires), Klamath NF. IMT 1 (McGowan). Four miles west of Sawyers Bar, CA. Timber. Surface fire with torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

**Butler**, Six Rivers NF. IMT 2 (Johnson). Ten miles east of Somes Bar, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. 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
Salmon River Complex	CA	KNF	1,604	4	5	UNK	380	0	14	27	2	0	600K	FS
Butler	CA	SRF	483	83	0	UNK	222	156	9	10	3	0	600K	FS
Dance	CA	SRF	577	0	100	---	396	-95	8	21	0	3	2M	FS

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

New fires: 19  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Aspen**, Sierra NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Seven miles northwest of Big Creek, CA. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior. Structures and power lines threatened. Evacuations, road and area 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
Aspen	CA	SNF	17,791	1,587	50	8/10	1,968	73	47	93	12	0	17.2M	FS

### **Alaska Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 8  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1

**Moon Lake**, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Twenty miles west of Tok, AK. Black spruce. Creeping with interior single tree torching. 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
Moon Lake	AK	TAS	18,050	0	42	9/15	125	2	7	1	2	0	5.8M	ST

**Southern Area (PL 1)**

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

**Cade Mud Bayou**, McFaddin NWR. Two miles east of High Island, TX. 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
Cade Mud Bayou	TX	MCR	2,040	1,590	80	8/3	11	-4	0	2	1	0	50K	FWS

**Other Fires**

(As of August 2)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	33	643,622	3	2	2	101
NW	4	54,939	5	11	2	160
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	4	14,622	1	0	1	36
EB	5	12,179	7	0	5	246
WB	1	27,883	1	2	0	37
SW	2	438	1	6	0	59
RM	2	5,043	1	2	1	45
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	1	450	0	4	1	15
Total	52	759,176	19	27	12	699

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms will linger along the Canadian border from Washington to Montana. Widely scattered thunderstorms will develop over the southern and central Rockies and the central Plains, stretching east along a front through the Ohio Valley to the New Jersey coast. Temperatures around the West will begin a slow warm up. The northern Plains to New England will remain mild while hot, humid conditions continue across the South.

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



## HELICOPTER LANDING AREA SAFETY

*Aviation Category*

The following points should be considered when operating around an unimproved landing site:

- Always wear your personal protective equipment (PPE) when working around an operating helicopter. (Eye, hearing, head)
- Always get the approval of a flight crewmember or the pilot before approaching an operating helicopter.
- Only approach and depart a helicopter as directed, in a slightly crouched position, and in full view of a crewmember. Keep in pilot's field of vision at all times.
- Never go near the tail of helicopters.
- When loading helicopters in uneven terrain, always approach and depart from the down slope (lower) side and do not hold equipment overhead.
- Remove or secure loose articles prior to working around an operating helicopter.
- Be aware of the dust abatement conditions of the landing area, as blowing dust, sand, or rocks caused by the helicopter's rotor wash can be hazardous.

**References:**

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#), pgs 52, 54,55

[Fireline Handbook](#)

[Interagency Helicopter Operations Guide \(IHOG\)](#)

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0		0	7	1	8
	ACRES		5,052		1,216	830	2	7,100
Northwest	FIRES	6	1		2	6	38	53
	ACRES	14	125		1	23	7	170
Northern California	FIRES					17	8	25
	ACRES					71	1,604	1,675
Southern California	FIRES					14	5	19
	ACRES					39	1,587	1,626
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3				4	3	10
	ACRES	2				1	12	15
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	8			10	10	29
	ACRES	2	955			1	153	1,111
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4					4
	ACRES		51					51
Southwest	FIRES	1				1	2	4
	ACRES	0				0	1	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1	1		2	5	9
	ACRES		0	0		2	519	521
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
TOTAL	FIRES	11	14	1	2	2,104	72	162
	ACRES	18	6,183	0	1,217	968	3,885	12,271

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	39	34	28	425	5	532
	ACRES	0	204,235	167,356	95,306	605,069	0	1,071,966
Northwest	FIRES	112	104	32	8	646	413	1,315
	ACRES	52,908	94,405	439	16	6,534	1,820	156,122
Northern California	FIRES	123	22		9	2,176	368	2,698
	ACRES	114	622		4	15,781	7,630	24,151
Southern California	FIRES	22	88	20	30	2,453	333	2,946
	ACRES	87	2,635	487	230	36,090	86,329	125,858
Northern Rockies	FIRES	461	39	4	6	522	317	1,349
	ACRES	7,169	320	1,008	2	4,531	56,863	69,893
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	45	455	1	24	358	273	1,156
	ACRES	305	112,902	0	62	12,923	44,005	170,197
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	231	3	8	59	65	371
	ACRES	24,470	86,102	1	2	7,094	28,043	145,712
Southwest	FIRES	482	149	25	69	494	870	2,089
	ACRES	45,792	6,731	3,313	1,807	57,961	172,142	287,746
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	527	288	13	27	566	335	1,756
	ACRES	710	8,261	501	1,072	37,071	159,824	207,439
Eastern Area	FIRES	322		39	27	4,574	250	5,212
	ACRES	7,193		996	87	33,089	1,096	42,461
Southern Area	FIRES	150		63	17	10,457	329	8,974
	ACRES	11,138		4,296	1,445	88,053	11,030	115,962
TOTAL	FIRES	2,250	1,415	234	253	22,730	3,558	28,398
	ACRES	149,886	516,213	178,397	100,033	904,196	568,782	2,417,507

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>48,430</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,381,401</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							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							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	2	13		16
	ACRES			5	22	5,150		5,177
Northwest	FIRES	7	37	9	3		122	178
	ACRES	2,066	9,043	449	67		28,883	40,508
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	16	21		125	176
	ACRES	35	780	15,998	254		5,472	22,539
Southern California	FIRES		5	5	4	5	141	160
	ACRES		38	603	298	165	4,875	5,979
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	13	24	2	94	145	289
	ACRES	1,583	2,904	6,747	156	1,085	9,741	22,216
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	18	1	5	21	50	99
	ACRES	696	1,354	1	693	1,357	14,110	18,211
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	1		12	7	22
	ACRES		24	35		103	300	462
Southwest	FIRES	17	22	5	1		74	119
	ACRES	19,319	11,492	1,372	10		16,407	48,600
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	37	33	10	32	94	218
	ACRES	1,691	3,317	3,956	616	5,090	24,916	39,586
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		243	48	770	153	1,234
	ACRES	23,148		30,818	4,784	31,407	15,158	105,315
Southern Area	FIRES	50		99	11	10,551	887	11,598
	ACRES	14,298		47,988	5,872	567,272	850,596	1,486,026
TOTAL	FIRES	123	146	437	107	11,498	1,798	14,109
	ACRES	62,836	28,952	107,972	12,772	611,629	970,458	1,794,619

**\*\*\* 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/>.

## Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	98	58	724	5,936
Yukon Territory	2	0	137	196,015
Alberta	0	11	874	19,887
Northwest Territory	0	0	224	290,427
Saskatchewan	1	783	266	132,910
Manitoba	0	0	319	577,680
Ontario	1	0	441	41,066
Quebec	1	0	447	1,674,454
Newfoundland	0	0	87	30,366
New Brunswick	0	0	345	868
Nova Scotia	0	0	152	302
Prince Edward Island	0	0	9	55
National Parks	0	40	54	67,224
Total	103	892	4,079	3,037,192

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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