National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Thursday, September 25, 2008 – 0530 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (67 new fires)
New large fires:	3 (*)
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires:	6
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3
Fire Use Teams committed:	0

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Emergency Support Function 4 (ESF4) at the National Response Coordination Center in Washington, D.C., the Regional Response Coordination Center in Denton, TX, and the Joint Field Office in Austin, TX are staffed to support hurricane activity.

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	29
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Hurricane Ike Support, Federal Emergency Management Agency. NIMO (Custer) is assisting Texas Forest Service with operations at Houston, TX. IMT 1 (Quesinberry) is supporting Texas Forest Service at Beaumont, TX. IMT 2 (Wilder) will be released tomorrow.

<u>Northwest Area (PL 3)</u>	
New fires:	5
New large fires:	3
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Rattle, Umpqua NF. IMT 1 (Hoff). Confine/contain management strategy. Six miles northwest of Tokete Falls, OR. Timber and brush. Creeping. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

Lonesome Complex, Rogue River NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Twelve miles east of Prospect, OR. Timber. Moderate fire activity with torching and short-range spotting. Historical structures threatened.

Gnarl Ridge, Mt. Hood NF. IMT 2 (West). Ten miles south of Parkdale, OR. Timber. Surface fire. Structures threatened.

Kitson, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Rapp). Seven miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Surface fire.

Horseshoe, Deschutes NF. Twenty-five miles southeast of Lapine, OR. Timber with brush and grass. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting.

Big Cove, Prineville District, BLM. Started on private land five miles west of Willowdale, OR. Juniper, sage and grass. Active fire behavior.

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
Rattle	OR	UPF	17,552	401	58	10/15	808	-112	15	38	3	0	17M	FS
Lonesome Complex	OR	RRF	19,135	165	35	10/15	999	-118	27	17	10	0	13.1M	FS
Gnarl Ridge	OR	MHF	3,280	0	30	10/15	809	-51	19	33	9	0	10.3M	FS
* Kitson	OR	WIF	250		0	10/1	155		5	7	2	0	25K	FS
* Horseshoe	OR	DEF	414		20	UNK	22		0	6	0	0	NR	FS
* Big Cove	OR	PRD	6,000		40	UNK	11		0	4	0	0	NR	PRI

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires:	13
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0
NIMOs committed:	1

Klamath Complex, Klamath NF. NIMO (Gage). Confine/contain management strategy. Fourteen miles west of Etna, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior.

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Klamath Complex	CA	KNF	191,292	328	90	9/30	352	7	5	4	7	0	126.2M	FS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires:	12
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Hidden, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP. Twelve miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. Mixed conifer and timber litter. Moderate fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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Hidden	CA	KNP	2,368	-1,325	90	9/30	488	-50	13	12	6	0	7.5M	NPS

Predictive Services Discussion: Warm and dry across the Southwest and central Rockies as high pressure continues to dominate across the Four Corners region. Breezy southwest winds of 20-30 mph across much of the Great Basin on westward to the Sierra Range in eastern California. Dry and warm across parts of the Ohio Valley down across the northern Florida Panhandle. Otherwise heavy rains and strong winds expected as a coastal storm moves onshore across the Carolinas on up thru the Mid-Atlantic Seaboard. Cool onshore flow across the Pacific Northwest with widespread showers.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.

http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

Initial Attack Fire Sizeup/Safety

Having a good sizeup is important in order to give both the Incident Commander (IC) and fire management a good idea of what problems exist and what resources may be needed for effective firefighting.

- Use the following reporting factors for sizeup. Discuss others that may be used.
 - Fire name and location
 - Terrain (slope, aspect, elevation) and position of fire on the slope
 - Size of fire
 - Fuel type, anticipated control problems, and spread potential
 - Values threatened
 - Weather conditions (wind speed and direction)
 - Fire behavior
 - Resources on the fire and those needed
 - Estimated containment and control times
 - Cause (known, suspected, under investigation)

After your initial sizeup of the fire and/or transition from an initial attack IC, answer the following questions. Repeat this analysis whenever there is a change, or predicted change, in conditions on the fire.

- Have you sized up the fire and relayed the information to dispatch?
- Is the observed fire weather consistent with the forecast?
- Can you control the fire with the resources available (on the incident or soon to be on the incident) and under the expected conditions?
- Have you developed a plan to attack the fire (direct or indirect, anchor points, escape routes, head or flank attack, priority areas); and have you communicated this information to all personnel assigned to the incident, including new arrivals?
- Are lookouts in place or can you see all of the fire area?
- Can you communicate with everyone on the fire and with dispatch?
- Are escape routes and safety zones established? If you are using the black, is it completely burned and without a reburn potential?
- Are safety and the standard fire orders being followed?
- Do you have a complete list of what resources have been ordered for the fire?
- Will you control the fire before the next operational period; and if you won't, or the size of the organization exceeds the IC's capability to manage, have you informed the agency Fire Management Officer?

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES	_						0
Northwest	FIRES		1				4	5
Northwest	ACRES		200				665	865
Northern California	FIRES		1			8	4	13
	ACRES		0			1	4	5
Southern California	FIRES				0	9	3	12
	ACRES				327	0	165	492
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						4	4
Western Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southwest	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					5		5
Southern Area	FIRES					26	3	29
	ACRES					225	15	240
TOTAL	FIRES	1	2	0	0	48	16	67
	ACRES	1	200	0	327	232	853	1,613

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		14	19	1	300	3	337
	ACRES		644	1,352	0	60,651	0	62,647
Northwest	FIRES	293	256	25	76	764	1,403	2,817
	ACRES	36,334	93,987	8,227	667	33,844	36,900	209,959
Northern California	FIRES	170	3	8	32	3,050	945	4,208
	ACRES	692	1	175	12,928	284,638	582,503	880,937
Southern California	FIRES	75	129	14	48	3,491	516	4,273
	ACRES	385	26,883	871	2,397	52,725	290,658	373,919
Northern Rockies	FIRES	997	80	18	11	770	619	2,495
	ACRES	20,525	4,743	7,882	9,331	152,825	21,025	216,331
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	451	5	29	416	427	1,377
	ACRES	9,300	64,017	513	926	22,175	34,925	131,856
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	258	6	16	78	68	434
	ACRES	10	21,891	51	6	3,375	45,425	70,758
Southwest	FIRES	641	227	8	49	704	939	2,568
	ACRES	19,425	81,218	351	982	263,267	95,930	461,173
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	606	358	24	26	538	345	1,897
	ACRES	2,115	16,440	2,008	318	184,008	9,376	214,265
Eastern Area	FIRES	342		17	18	9,122	302	9,801
	ACRES	1,961		157	65	53,220	725	56,128
Southern Area	FIRES	956		84	64	35,648	559	37,311
	ACRES	59,259		48,375	54,917	1,843,600	37,193	2,043,344
TOTAL	FIRES	4,137	1,776	228	370	54,881	6,126	67,518
	ACRES	150,006	309,824	69,962	82,537	2,954,328	1,154,660	4,721,317

Ten Year Average Fires	67,518
Ten Year Average Acres	6,207,758

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Aleste	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES	_					30	30
	FIRES				0	1	1	2
Northern California	ACRES	_			5	20	1	26
	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES							0
Northern Deckies	FIRES						1	1
Northern Rockies	ACRES						916	916
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0				1		1
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES	100				353		453
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
Southwest	ACRES						250	250
	FIRES		2	0	0	0	0	2
Rocky Mountain	ACRES		317	360	2	175	209	1,063
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Southern Area	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					52	137	189
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	0	3	6	11
	ACRES	100	317	360	7	600	1,543	2,927

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					10		10
	ACRES	- -	r			3,990		3,990
Northwest	FIRES	10	41	21	1		139	212
	ACRES	2,435	16,796	2,639	6		19,655	41,531
	FIRES	25	3	17	10	10	102	167
Northern California	ACRES	415	7	23,388	277	2,120	2,653	28,860
	FIRES		4	5	7	6	129	151
Southern California	ACRES		118	857	1,327	73	13,114	15,489
Northern Rockies	FIRES	22	19	59	5	31	186	322
	ACRES	2,088	3,678	16,550	309	2,108	23,269	48,002
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	24	6	8	10	52	104
	ACRES	380	7,105	376	3,421	1,653	15,687	28,622
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	3	2		4	12
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		2,655	37	27		2,437	5,156
Southwest	FIRES	29	64	11	13		159	276
Southwest	ACRES	3,214	39,533	20,031	2,307		58,476	123,561
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	27	31	107	19	47	123	354
	ACRES	2,971	4,910	18,971	4,697	5,806	35,416	72,771
Eastern Area	FIRES	46		336	17	1,591	97	2,087
	ACRES	30,380		53,558	860	108,125	11,447	204,370
Southern Area	FIRES	20		204	82	488	779	1,573
	ACRES	13,894		107,160	60,846	268,022	726,907	1,176,829
TOTAL	FIRES	183	189	769	164	2,193	1,770	5,268
	ACRES	55,777	74,802	243,567	74,077	391,897	909,061	1,749,181

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WFU Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		7	15	5	1		28
	ACRES		7,397	31,830	1,420	3		40,650
	FIRES			Ì	15		24	39
Northwest	ACRES				87		2,938	3,025
	FIRES	1	ĺ	ĺ			8	8
Northern California	ACRES						9,301	9,301
	FIRES				11		6	17
Southern California	ACRES				3,837		14,933	18,770
Northern Deckies	FIRES				2		47	49
Northern Rockies	ACRES				0		11,863	11,863
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		23	24
	ACRES				0		47,975	47,975
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		1		9	12
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		81		0		10,145	10,226
Southwest	FIRES				2		19	21
Souriwest	ACRES				112		17,689	17,801
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		5		2		4	11
RUCKY WOULIAIT	ACRES		25		0		54,645	54,670
Eastern Area	FIRES			3				3
	ACRES			3				3
Southern Area	FIRES						7	7
	ACRES						1,986	1,986
TOTAL	FIRES	0	14	18	39	1	147	219
	ACRES	0	7,503	31,833	5,456	3	171,475	216,270

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date	
British Columbia	49	99	1,902	12,058	
Yukon Territory	0	0	68	18,846	
Alberta	17	54	1,558	18,530	
Northwest Territory	0	0	240	308,789	
Saskatchewan	0	0	582	1,127,811	
Manitoba	0	0	0	0	
Ontario	5	29	310	1,292	
Quebec	4	1	207	1,478	
Newfoundland	0	0	122	3,780	
New Brunswick	0	0	160	131	
Nova Scotia	0	0	242	2,717	
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0	
National Parks	0	0	0	0	
Total	75	183	5,391	1,495,432	

*** CIFFC table updated weekly. ***

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