

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, September 30, 2008 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (148 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 6
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 4
 Fire Use Teams committed: 0

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

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

The Joint Field Office in Austin, TX is staffed to support hurricane activity.

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 5
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 4
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Lonesome Complex, Rogue River NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Twelve miles east of Prospect, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with single and group tree torching and spotting. Historical structures threatened.

Kitson, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Rapp). Six miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Brush. Low intensity surface fire. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Gnarl Ridge, Mt. Hood NF. IMT 2 (West). Ten miles south of Parkdale, OR. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

Wizard, Deschutes NF. IMT 2 (Paul). Eighteen miles northwest of Sisters, OR. Ponderosa pine. Isolated torching and short-range 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
Lonesome Complex	OR	RRF	20,045	297	45	10/15	521	-266	15	10	9	0	17M	FS
Kitson	OR	WIF	808	-192	60	10/3	750	37	22	21	6	0	2.7M	FS
Gnarl Ridge	OR	MHF	3,280	0	70	10/15	613	-152	13	30	4	0	13.4M	FS
Wizard	OR	DEF	1,150	650	35	UNK	451	2	16	17	5	0	1.5M	FS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 15
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Chalk, Los Padres NF. IMT 2 (Smith). Nine miles north of Gorda, CA. Chaparral. Slope driven runs and occasional torching and spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Hidden, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP. Twelve miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. Mixed conifer and timber litter. No new information.

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Chalk	CA	LPF	1,708	783	5	UNK	830	312	31	13	9	0	1.2M	FS
Hidden	CA	KNP	3,637	---	96	9/30	189	---	5	2	4	0	8.6M	NPS

Southwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 2
New large fires: 2
Uncontained large fires: 0

Lost Eden - WFU, Coconino NF. Five miles north of Clints Well, AZ. Hardwood litter. Active surface fire. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Yeager - WFU, Coconino NF. Ten miles east of Clints Well, AZ. Hardwood litter. Active surface fire. Last narrative 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
* Lost Eden - WFU	AZ	COF	900	---	N/A	N/A	2	---	0	1	0	0	NR	FS
* Yeager - WFU	AZ	COF	225	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	8K	FS

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires: 72
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 0
NIMOs committed: 1

Hurricane Ike Support, Federal Emergency Management Agency. NIMO (Custer) is assisting Texas Forest Service with operations at Houston, TX.

Predictive Services Discussion: Warm and dry over much of the West with scattered wet thunderstorms over the Sierras, eastern Oregon and the Great Basin.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



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

Wildland Urban Interface Hazards

Firefighters in the wildland urban interface may encounter hazards other than the fire itself, such as hazardous materials, utility lines and poor access.

● Hazardous Materials

- Common chemicals used around the home may be a direct hazard to firefighters from flammability, explosion potential and/or vapors or off-gassing. Such chemicals include paint, varnish and other flammable liquids; fertilizer; pesticides; cleansers; aerosol cans, fireworks, batteries and ammunition. In addition, some common household products such as plastics may give off very toxic fumes when they burn. Stay OUT of the smoke from burning structures and any unknown sources such as trash piles.

● Illicit Activities

- Marijuana plantations or drug production labs may be found in wildland urban interface areas. Extremely hazardous materials such as propane tanks and flammable/toxic chemicals may be encountered, as well as booby traps.

● Propane tanks

- Both large (household size) and small (gas grill size) liquefied propane gas (LPG) tanks can present hazards to firefighters, including explosion. See the "LPG Tank Hazards" discussion for details.

● Utility lines

- Utility lines may be located above and below ground and may be cut or damaged by tools or equipment. Don't spray water on utility lines or boxes.

● Septic tanks and fields

- Below-ground structures may not be readily apparent and may not support the weight of engines or other apparatus.

● New construction materials

- Many new construction materials have comparatively low melting points and may "off-gas" extremely hazardous vapors. Plastic decking materials that resemble wood are becoming more common and may begin softening and losing structural strength at 180° F, though they normally do not sustain combustion once direct flame is removed. However, if they continue to burn they exhibit the characteristics of flammable liquids.

● Pets and livestock

- Pets and livestock may be left when residents evacuate and will likely be highly stressed, making them more inclined to bite and kick. Firefighters should not put themselves at risk to rescue pets or livestock.

● Evacuation occurring

- Firefighters may be taking structural protection actions while evacuations of residents are occurring. Be very cautious of people driving erratically. Distraught residents may refuse to leave their property, and firefighters may need to disengage from fighting fire to contact law enforcement officers for assistance. In most jurisdictions firefighters do not have the authority to force evacuations. Firefighters should not put themselves at risk trying to protect someone who will not evacuate!

● Limited access

- Narrow one-lane roads with no turn-around room, inadequate or poorly maintained bridges and culverts are frequently found in wildland urban interface areas. Access should be sized-up and an evacuation plan for all emergency personnel should be developed.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	2			1	1	5
	ACRES	1	0			1	850	852
Northern California	FIRES				1	12	2	15
	ACRES				1	24	0	25
Southern California	FIRES				1	12	2	15
	ACRES				22	2	611	635
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	5	6
	ACRES					2	4	6
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		16			7	4	27
	ACRES		47			2	3	52
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		1					1
Southwest	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		1				1	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Eastern Area	FIRES				1		2	3
	ACRES				0		0	0
Southern Area	FIRES	1				68	3	72
	ACRES	2				391	56	449
TOTAL	FIRES	2	22	0	3	101	20	148
	ACRES	3	49	0	23	422	1,525	2,022

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	295	258	25	76	770	1,457	2,881
	ACRES	36,337	100,002	8,227	649	33,906	41,111	220,232
Northern California	FIRES	171	42	8	34	3,102	961	4,318
	ACRES	692	71	175	12,989	284,699	582,511	881,137
Southern California	FIRES	76	129	14	49	3,535	532	4,335
	ACRES	385	26,883	871	3,689	53,125	292,426	377,379
Northern Rockies	FIRES	997	80	18	12	772	630	2,509
	ACRES	20,525	4,743	7,882	9,331	152,926	21,038	216,445
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	482	5	29	435	450	1,450
	ACRES	9,300	64,063	513	926	22,186	34,931	131,919
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	266	6	16	78	68	442
	ACRES	10	21,919	51	6	3,375	45,425	70,786
Southwest	FIRES	642	229	8	49	704	949	2,581
	ACRES	19,422	81,219	351	982	263,267	96,013	461,254
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	628	367	24	26	544	351	1,940
	ACRES	2,128	17,376	2,008	318	184,065	9,378	215,273
Eastern Area	FIRES	349		17	19	8,585	305	9,275
	ACRES	1,961		157	65	45,477	725	48,385
Southern Area	FIRES	957		84	64	35,932	560	37,597
	ACRES	59,261		48,375	54,917	1,844,934	36,920	2,044,407
TOTAL	FIRES	4,172	1,867	228	375	54,757	6,266	67,665
	ACRES	150,021	316,920	69,962	83,872	2,948,611	1,160,478	4,729,864

Ten Year Average Fires	67,864
Ten Year Average Acres	6,254,283

*** 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	5			5	10
	ACRES		500	55			426	981
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						100	100
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						5	5
Western Great Basin	FIRES			1	1			2
	ACRES			53	4			57
Southwest	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1,200	1,200
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						100	100
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	6	1	0	7	14
	ACRES	0	500	108	4	0	1,831	2,443

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					10		10
	ACRES					3,990		3,990
Northwest	FIRES	10	42	26	2		143	223
	ACRES	2,435	20,896	2,694	86		20,055	46,166
Northern California	FIRES	25	14	17	12	11	102	181
	ACRES	415	797	23,388	397	2,130	2,653	29,780
Southern California	FIRES		4	5	7	6	129	151
	ACRES		118	857	1,327	73	13,114	15,489
Northern Rockies	FIRES	22	19	60	5	31	199	336
	ACRES	2,088	3,678	16,638	309	2,108	24,174	48,995
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	27	6	8	10	56	111
	ACRES	860	10,681	376	3,421	1,653	16,757	33,748
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	4	4		4	16
	ACRES		2,655	90	66		2,437	5,248
Southwest	FIRES	29	64	11	14		166	284
	ACRES	3,214	39,533	20,031	3,148		61,016	126,942
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	27	31	107	20	46	125	356
	ACRES	2,971	5,014	18,971	4,748	5,814	36,295	73,813
Eastern Area	FIRES	45		336	17	1,602	97	2,097
	ACRES	30,335		53,558	860	108,272	11,447	204,472
Southern Area	FIRES	20		204	82	489	781	1,576
	ACRES	13,894		107,160	60,846	268,032	727,118	1,177,050
TOTAL	FIRES	182	205	776	171	2,205	1,802	5,341
	ACRES	56,212	83,372	243,763	75,208	392,072	915,066	1,765,693

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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
Northwest	FIRES				15		24	39
	ACRES				99		2,938	3,037
Northern California	FIRES						8	8
	ACRES						9,301	9,301
Southern California	FIRES				11		6	17
	ACRES				4,128		14,933	19,061
Northern Rockies	FIRES				2		49	51
	ACRES				0		11,863	11,863
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		25	26
	ACRES				0		48,225	48,225
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		1		9	12
	ACRES		81		0		10,145	10,226
Southwest	FIRES				2		19	21
	ACRES				112		17,689	17,801
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		5		2		4	11
	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	151	223
	ACRES	0	7,503	31,833	5,759	3	171,725	216,823

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