# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Tuesday, September 22, 2009 – 0530 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

## **National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (71 new fires)

New large fires: 3 (\*)
Large fires contained: 2
Uncontained large fires : \*\* 4
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 1
Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Nationally, there are 65 large fires being managed with minimal or no resource commitment that are not shown on today's report.

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

### Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	13
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Tumblebug Complex**, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Ensley). Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with running, group tree torching and short range spotting.

**Boze,** Umpqua NF. NIMO (Cable). Nine miles southwest of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with running and 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
Tumblebug Complex	OR	WIF	1,500	1,200	10	UNK	629	176	15	13	7	0	3.3M	FS
Boze	OR	UPF	2,100	200	35	10/1	532	79	17	19	5	0	2.7M	FS

### Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	9
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1

<sup>\*</sup> **Pine**, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Four miles southwest of Cobb, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Residences and major power line threatened. Road closures in effect.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Uncontained large fires do not include confine/contain and resource benefit incidents.

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
* Pine	CA	LNU	350		50	9/22	305		12	11	4	0	186K	ST
Silver	CA	PNF	305	5	100		633	323	20	17	1	0	800K	FS

PNF - Plumas NF

### Southern California Area (PL 3)

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

Station, Angeles NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Four miles north of La Canada, CA. Chaparral. Creeping 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
Station	CA	ANF	160,557	0	94	9/24	829	41	17	32	8	209	85.9M	FS
* Vail	CA	RRU	398		100		0		0	0	0	15	NR	ST

RRU - Riverside Unit, Cal Fire

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires:	7
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	0

**Lawrence Mountain,** Kootenai NF. Previously reported confine/contain incident. Sixteen miles northeast of Libby, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Table Mountain**, Beaverhead Deerlodge NF. Confine/contain management strategy. Twenty-three miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT. Timber. Creeping, smoldering and 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
Lawrence Mountain	МТ	KNF	1,072		N/A	N/A	23		1	0	0	0	99K	FS
* Table Mountain	МТ	BDF	103		N/A	N/A	16		1	0	0	0	10K	FS

### Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:6New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:0

**Fracas,** Kaibab NF. Previously reported confine/contain incident. Twenty-seven miles southeast of Fredonia, AZ. Timber and hardwood litter. No further information received. 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
Fracas	AZ	KNF	2,339		N/A	N/A	31		1	5	0	0	569K	FS

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A strong high pressure ridge building over the West will continue to bring gusty offshore winds to portions of Oregon and California today. Gusty north to east winds will continue across southern California into Wednesday, while diminishing elsewhere. The combination of winds, hot temperatures and very low humidity will elevate fire potential in these areas. Most of the West will have dry and much warmer weather.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.



#### http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp sixminutes.php

#### **Transfer of Command**

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents with potential during transfer of command periods (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES—Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

- Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:
  - No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel
  - · Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed
  - Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
  - Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
  - Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.

#### Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.

# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
A11	FIRES		0					0
Alaska	ACRES		4,751					4,751
	FIRES	3	1			1	8	13
Northwest	ACRES	59					7	66
	FIRES					9		9
Northern California	ACRES	-				357		357
	FIRES			1	0	11	1	13
Southern California	ACRES	-		1	15		0	17
	FIRES	2					5	7
Northern Rockies	ACRES	- <del></del>					207	208
	FIRES		4			4		8
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	-	171					171
	FIRES					1		1
Western Great Basin	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES	1					5	6
Southwest	ACRES	1					5	6
	FIRES	1				1	2	4
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	0					6	7
	FIRES						1	1
Eastern Area	ACRES						0	0
	FIRES					9		9
Southern Area	ACRES	-				31		31
	FIRES	7	5	1	0	36	22	71
TOTAL	ACRES	61	4,922	1	15	390	225	5,614

# Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	50	41	21	376	26	515
Alaska	ACRES	1	763,832	753,545	101,189	1,321,299	10	2,939,876
Northwest	FIRES	378	304	25	74	1,004	1,304	3,089
Northwoot	ACRES	6,736	27,028	2,352	2,220	55,670	28,364	122,370
Northern California	FIRES	149	62	3	37	2,291	847	3,389
	ACRES	126	1,533	4	1,754	60,174	35,405	98,996
Southern California	FIRES	42	177	16	32	3,030	530	3,827
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	45	10,243	22,765	261,639	300,489
Northern Rockies	FIRES	735	120	17	31	604	793	2,300
	ACRES	2,559	1,017	397	193	23,258	12,395	39,819
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	47	532	4	29	569	543	1,724
	ACRES	105	60,144	226	2,225	19,657	38,812	121,169
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	392	9	10	107	133	661
	ACRES	2,440	28,987	150	20	297	284	32,178
Southwest	FIRES	792	258	10	63	1,878	1,283	4,284
	ACRES	46,683	89,391	3,843	8,010	288,098	136,125	572,150
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	555	415	19	25 	676	375 	2,065
•	ACRES	2,578	9,536	534	67	72,192	7,949	92,856
Eastern Area	FIRES	436		30	29	12,771	435	13,701
	ACRES	1,240		809	110	112,994	6,499	121,652
Southern Area	FIRES	298		234	54	33,477	571	34,634
	ACRES	35,259		44,205	44,166	973,119	30,994	1,127,743
TOTAL	FIRES	3,443	2,310	408	405	56,783	6,840	70,189
	ACRES	99,316	985,676	806,110	170,197	2,949,523	558,476	5,569,298

Ten Year Average Fires	66,771
Ten Year Average Acres	6,208,298

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> 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		1	3				4
	ACRES	_	2,500	97				2,597
Northern California	FIRES		,					0
	ACRES	_						0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES	_						0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES	-						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES	-					100	100
Western Great Basin	FIRES						100	0
		_						
	ACRES FIRES							0
Southwest								
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	3	0	0	1	5
	ACRES		2,500	97	0	0	100	2,697

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					3,338	8	3,346
Northwest	FIRES	14	117	14	4	1	78	228
	ACRES	6,132	30,099	2,924	47	1	20,733	59,936
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	22	46	20	100	230
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,585	1,450	2,512	6,398	39,684
Southern California	FIRES	1	7	9	7	1	116	141
	ACRES	1	564	748	1,248	195	8,628	11,384
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	26	85	2	27	206	369
	ACRES	2,062	4,321	21,428	345	2,295	24,111	54,562
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	4	7	23	86	144
	ACRES	8	11,320	1,225	282	190	15,893	28,918
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2			6	11
	ACRES		1,452	62			859	2,373
Southwest	FIRES	40	31	3	4		233	311
	ACRES	9,485	50,780	501	530		119,976	181,272
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	70	37	130	14	47	129	427
	ACRES	7,661	4,170	20,681	7,678	1,642	29,281	71,113
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		497	47	2,588	142	3,345
	ACRES	72,342		69,630	9,226	150,173	46,409	347,780
Southern Area	FIRES	6		284	85	816	1,109	2,300
	ACRES	2,450		150,289	92,929	299,369	1,002,513	1,547,550
TOTAL	FIRES	252	260	1,050	216	3,532	2,206	7,516
	ACRES	100,365	105,221	294,073	113,735	459,715	1,274,809	2,347,918

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

# **Canada Fires and Hectares**

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	84	1,916	3,012	212,547
Yukon Territory	0	0	118	294,907
Alberta	34	0	1,506	64,266
Northwest Territory	0	0	41	1,955
Saskatchewan	10	13	505	37,776
Manitoba	4	8	158	2,813
Ontario	14	27	352	20,650
Quebec	16	0	467	122,685
Newfoundland	5	1	176	52,593
New Brunswick	3	2	183	248
Nova Scotia	6	2	166	931
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	128	36,957
Total	176	1,968	6,812	848,329

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> CIFFC table updated weekly \*\*\*

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

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