# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Monday, July 26, 2010 – 0530 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

#### National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (201 new fires)
New large fires:	8 (*)
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires: **	10
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there are 60 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

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

strategy. \*\*

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Interagency personnel are assigned to a number of locations in the Gulf of Mexico to assess and mitigate impacts resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

- Support to the Fish and Wildlife Service includes these areas: Delta, Breton and Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuges, as well as Houma, LA and Mobile, AL.

- Support to the National Park Service includes these areas: Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jean Lafitte Park and Preserve, Everglades National Park, Dry Tortugas, Biscayne National Park, De Soto National Memorial and Big Cypress National Preserve.

BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	USFS
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#### Western Great Basin Area (PL 3)

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

**Constantia**, Carson City Field Office, BLM. IMT 2 (Kidd). Five miles south of Doyle, CA. Brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior with torching and spotting. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

\* **Rock Creek,** Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. Eighteen miles north of Gerlach, NV. Pinyon pine, sage and juniper. Running fire. Residences 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
Constantia	NV	CCD	1,700	1,550	10	7/29	279	153	10	16	2	3	200K	BLM
* Rock Creek	NV	WID	2,500		15	7/27	96		2	5	2	0	150K	BLM

#### Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

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

**Beach,** Yellowstone NP. IMT 2 (Secrest). Twenty-eight miles southeast of West Yellowstone, MT. Timber. Single and group tree torching.

\* **Dominic Point,** Bitterroot NF. Twelve miles northeast of Hamilton, MT. Closed timber litter. Extreme fire behavior with crowning, running and torching. Road closures in effect.

\* **Cardinal Creek,** Flathead NF. Nineteen miles southeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with running and sustained crowning. Trail closures in effect. 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
Beach	WY	YNP	520	0	72	7/28	263	-9	6	0	4	0	1.7M	NPS
* Dominic Point	MT	BRF	300		N/A	N/A	66		2	8	2	0	10K	FS
* Cardinal Creek	MT	FNF	400		N/A	N/A	6		0	0	1	0	1K	FS

# Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	74
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1

\* **Russel (3-9)**, Lassen-Modoc Unit, Cal Fire. IMT 1 ordered. Nine miles southeast of Little Valley, CA. Timber. Moderate fire activity with spotting.

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
* Russel (3-9)	CA	LMU	200		0	UNK	199		6	13	1	0	200K	ST

#### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires:	25
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	2

**South Trail**, Boise District, BLM. Started on state land five miles northwest of Glenns Ferry, ID. Brush. No new information.

\* Hot Springs, Cedar City Field Office, BLM. Twelve miles southwest of Minersville, UT. Chaparral, pinyon pine, sagebrush and grass. Smoldering.

\* **Bull**, Bridger-Teton NF. Eight miles east of Hoback Junction, WY. Timber. Group tree torching and medium range spotting. 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
South Trail	ID	BOD	5,000		40	UNK	110		1	12	4	0	NR	ST
* Hot Springs	UT	CCD	327		50	UNK	121		4	5	1	0	100K	BLM
* Bull	WY	BTF	680		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	10K	FS

#### Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	19
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	2

\* **Potato,** Owens Valley District, BLM. Seven miles southeast of Bridgeport, CA. Sagebrush. Moderate fire activity.

Indian, California Desert District, BLM. Sixteen miles west of Ridgecrest, CA. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. No new information. Last report unless new information is 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
* Potato	CA	OVD	610		60	7/27	159		4	0	5	0	300K	BLM
Indian	CA	CDD	1,822		95	UNK	484		10	26	4	0	3.1M	BLM

### Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

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

**Meadow Creek**, White River NF. NIMO (Gage). Thirteen miles northeast of Rifle, CO. Timber. Creeping with single tree 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
Meadow Creek	со	WRF	1,350	0	N/A	N/A	76	5	0	0	2	0	807K	FS

Northwest Area (PL 2)							
New fires:	42						
New large fires:	0						
Uncontained large fires:	1						

Swakane, Washington DNR. Six miles north of Wenatchee, WA. Timber and grass. No new information.

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
Swakane	WA	SES	19,291		85	7/30	38		1	2	0	0	3.1M	ST

#### <u>Alaska Area (PL 1)</u>

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

**Pat Creek,** Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Fifteen miles north of Stevens Village, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Smoldering with single and group tree 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
Pat Creek	AK	UYD	19,337	300	45	UNK	41	-33	1	0	1	0	7.5M	BLM

# Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	0

\* Wash, Kaibab NF. Fifteen miles southeast of Tusayan, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire activity with isolated 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
* Wash	AZ	KNF	200		N/A	N/A	30		0	2	0	0	17K	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Significant fire potential is forecast for portions of Oregon, the Great Basin, and Northern Rockies for lightning today. Scattered to numerous thunderstorms, some of them initially dry, are expected to develop today in the Sierras, Northern California, the Northwest, Great Basin and Northern Rockies. Wet thunderstorms will continue over the Four Corner states. Above normal temperatures will continue across the West with significant fire potential in Montana, Wyoming and northwest Colorado due to hot and dry conditions.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.



# Today's discussion is from the Aviation Category.

#### **AVIATION COMMUNICATIONS**

Discuss the following information in terms of effective communication with aircraft. Involve the pilot in this discussion.

- Establish an air-to-ground frequency on the fire, and make sure everyone knows what it is. Avoid switching frequencies in the middle of an operational period.
- Consider using national air-to-ground frequencies.
- Discuss Guard frequencies:
  - How they work.
  - When to use them.
  - What frequencies are established for aircraft in your area?
- Aviation communications should be clear, concise, short, and to the point.
- Use standard terminology that can be understood by all people you are talking to. Do not use local slang.
- Know what you want to say before you key the microphone. Don't think and talk at same time.
- Before you key your microphone to talk, be sure to listen to ensure you don't cut into another transmission.
- Identify who you want to talk to by the call sign and identify yourself in every transmission.
- If the frequency gets congested, request another frequency. Upon receipt, ensure that all people who need to be on the new frequency transfer to that frequency.
- When giving ground descriptions, describe the location as if you are viewing the location from the direction an aircraft would be traveling. Use a common frame of reference for the sender and receiver.
- Use easily understandable directions, such as north, south, east, west, 2 o'clock, 9 o'clock, left 20 degrees, right 45 degrees, etc.
- When giving directions, always give them in relation to the pilot's perspective.

#### **References:**

Incident Response Pocket Guide

**Fireline Handbook** 

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# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			0		0	1	1
AldSka	ACRES			414		3,019	0	3,433
Northwest	FIRES		5			11	26	42
Northwest	ACRES		1			65	5	71
Northern California	FIRES	6	6			23	39	74
	ACRES	18	300			9	230	557
Southern California	FIRES		2			15	2	19
	ACRES		601			2	2	605
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3				2	5	10
	ACRES	2				1	601	604
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		10		2	5	8	25
astern Great Basin	ACRES		3,254		0	39	220	3,513
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	1			8	15
	ACRES		2,524	0			2	2,526
Southwest	FIRES	1					2	3
	ACRES	1					211	212
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			1	5	7
,	ACRES		37			2	0	39
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					38		38
TOTAL	FIRES	10	30	1	2	62	96	201
	ACRES	21	6,717	414	0	3,175	1,271	11,598

# Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	74	66	50	393	12	596
	ACRES	103	308,469	84,531	110,644	647,695	9	1,151,451
Northwest	FIRES	78	53	3	9	189	228	560
Northwest	ACRES	709	2,303	2	3	20,864	157	24,038
Northern California	FIRES	21	20		8	1,269	169	1,487
	ACRES	28	217		5	12,506	255	13,011
Southern California	FIRES	14	106	3	11	1,425	248	1,807
	ACRES	184	6,964	14	14	13,093	436	20,705
Northern Rockies	FIRES	373	16	1	5	161	168	724
	ACRES	2,531	180	761	520	1,347	1,752	7,091
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	22	263	2	11	284	172	754
	ACRES	519	49,929	1	47	112,970	1,108	164,574
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	120	7	12	35	27	202
	ACRES	0	3,377	17	1	665	84	4,144
Southwest	FIRES	462	179	5	46	382	769	1,843
	ACRES	7,423	18,345	34	24,298	37,481	72,087	159,668
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	403	254	4	24	247	247	1,179
	ACRES	2,523	4,064	3,051	7,210	13,796	3,875	34,519
Eastern Area	FIRES	615		38	19	8,826	482	9,980
	ACRES	2,708		4,883	26	77,857	4,304	89,778
Southern Area	FIRES	513		47	22	15,561	437	16,580
	ACRES	32,278		1,684	150	206,353	18,909	259,374
TOTAL	FIRES	2,503	1,085	176	217	28,772	2,959	35,712
	ACRES	49,006	393,848	94,978	142,918	1,144,627	102,976	1,928,353

Ten Year Average Fires	48,623
Ten Year Average Acres	3,454,925

\*\*\* 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
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	_						
								0
Northern California	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					15		15
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			95				95
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				0			0
Obdinwest	ACRES				3			3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES	-						0
Southern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					900		900
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	2	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	95	3	915	0	1,013

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					11		11
	ACRES					21,497		21,497
Northwest	FIRES	12	55	5	1		121	194
	ACRES	6,781	8,616	1,640	11		17,529	34,577
Northern California	FIRES	1	20	23	20	25	229	318
	ACRES	10	347	22,238	64	3,570	9,397	35,626
Southern California	FIRES		9	10	8	8	63	98
	ACRES		1,612	1,493	552	307	1,969	5,933
Northern Rockies	FIRES	73	33	101	8	29	163	407
	ACRES	2,329	4,674	25,511	1,240	934	17,357	52,045
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		17	6	7	29	40	99
	ACRES		1,560	2,745	520	2,288	10,198	17,311
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	2		7	14
	ACRES		68	1,395	546		638	2,647
Southwest	FIRES	27	22	10	8		100	167
	ACRES	1,575	22,809	8,870	956		63,326	97,536
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	41	56	117	26	49	135	424
	ACRES	5,861	8,215	26,508	5,019	6,300	19,528	71,431
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		366	26	1,520	170	2,129
	ACRES	62,783		55,331	5,514	91,919	58,146	273,693
Southern Area	FIRES	17		189	69	8,817	1,164	10,256
	ACRES	2,905		83,186	72,148	269,854	1,135,682	1,563,775
TOTAL	FIRES	218	215	829	175	10,488	2,192	14,117
	ACRES	82,244	47,901	228,917	86,570	396,669	1,333,770	2,176,071

\*\*\* 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	0	0	628	22,984
Yukon Territory	0	0	67	150,999
Alberta	22	-41,885	1,387	1,387
Northwest Territory	4	10,879	153	152,766
Saskatchewan	16	3,904	430	1,256,211
Manitoba	18	699	478	123,036
Ontario	4	277	756	14,646
Quebec	0	0	576	361,788
Newfoundland	0	0	32	791
New Brunswick	0	0	119	109
Nova Scotia	0	0	268	460
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	0	0	75	4,805
Total	64	-26,125	4,971	2,089,988

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