# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Tuesday, July 27, 2010 – 0530 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

## **National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Heavy (337 new fires)

New large fires: 5 (\*)
Large fires contained: 13
Uncontained large fires: \*\* 12
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 1
Type 1 IMTs committed: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Nationally, there are 50 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

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:	17
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. Active fire behavior with group torching and short runs. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Rock Creek,** Winnemucca Field Office, BLM. Eighteen miles north of Gerlach, NV. Pinyon pine, sage and juniper. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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	0	30	7/30	354	75	15	6	4	3	600K	BLM
Rock Creek	NV	WID	6,000	3,500	10	7/30	175	79	5	8	2	0	750K	BLM

<sup>\*\*</sup> Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy. \*\*

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
* Seven Troughs	NV	WID	3,852		100		0		0	0	0	0	20K	BLM

## Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	121
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed	1
Type 2 IMTs committed	1

**Russel (3-9)**, Lassen-Modoc Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Wallen). Nine miles southeast of Little Valley, CA. Timber. No further information received.

\* **Modoc Lightning Complex**, Modoc NF. IMT 2 (Swartzlander). Twenty miles southwest of Alturas, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with running and short-range spotting. Numerous 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
Russel (3-9)	CA	LMU	250	50	30	UNK	594	395	19	33	7	0	200K	ST
* Modoc Lightning Complex	CA	MDF	102		5	8/1	271		5	27	3	0	49K	FS

## Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed	1

<sup>\*</sup> **Bull**, Sequoia NF. IMT 1 (Opliger). Eight miles north of Kernville, CA. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect for the communities of River Kern and Camp Owens. Road closures in effect.

**Potato,** Owens Valley District, BLM. Seven miles southeast of Bridgeport, CA. Sagebrush. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

\* Mono, Inyo NF. Five miles southeast of Lee Vining, CA. Brush. Active fire behavior. 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
* Bull	CA	SQF	2,500		1	8/1	296		20	23	12	0	600K	FS
Potato	CA	OVD	686	76	70	7/27	94	-65	3	0	1	0	300K	BLM
* Mono	CA	INF	500		5	7/30	113		3	10	1	0	50K	FS
Indian	CA	CDD	1,822	0	100		0	-484	0	0	0	0	3.1M	BLM

## Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

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

**Beach,** Yellowstone NP. IMT 2 (Secrest). Twenty-eight miles southeast of West Yellowstone, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

**Cardinal Creek**, Flathead NF. Nineteen miles southeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Dominic Point,** Bitterroot NF. Twelve miles northeast of Hamilton, MT. Closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with single and group tree torching. 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
Beach	WY	YNP	520	0	72	7/28	222	-41	4	0	5	0	1.9M	NPS
Cardinal Creek	MT	FNF	1,200		N/A	N/A	6		0	0	0	0	5K	FS
Dominic Point	MT	BRF	897	597	N/A	N/A	128	62	6	8	2	0	225K	FS

## Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

**Hot Springs,** Cedar City Field Office, BLM. Twelve miles southwest of Minersville, UT. Chaparral, pinyon pine, sagebrush 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
Hot Springs	UT	CCD	327		50	UNK	121		4	5	1	0	100K	BLM
South Trail	ID	BOD	3,889	-1111	100		36	-74	1	4	0	0	NR	ST

BOD - Boise District BLM

## Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires:6New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:0NIMOs 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	1,452	102	N/A	N/A	76	0	0	0	2	0	848K	FS

# Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:67New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:1

**Swakane**, Washington DNR. Six miles north of Wenatchee, WA. Timber and grass. 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
Swakane	WA	SES	19,291		85	7/30	38		1	2	0	0	3.1M	ST

# Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

**Pat Creek,** Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Fifteen miles north of Stevens Village, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Interior 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
Pat Creek	AK	UYD	19,337	0	45	UNK	0	-41	0	0	0	0	7.5M	BLM
Derby Creek	AK	GAD	23,577		100		0		0	0	0	0	2K	BLM
Kaluktavik River	AK	GAD	23,269		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Rok North	AK	GAD	13,106		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Lake Tutusirok	AK	GAD	7,392		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Nanielik Creek	AK	GAD	6,538		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Evaingiknuk	AK	GAD	2,739		100		0		0	0	0	0	615K	BLM
Avan River	AK	GAD	656		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Squirrel River South	AK	GAD	332		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Timber Creek	AK	GAD	300		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Kobuk	AK	GAD	300		100		0		0	0	0	0	NR	BLM

GAD - Galena Zone, BLM

## Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:69New large fires:1Uncontained large fires:1

<sup>\*</sup> Coyote, Merritt Island NWR. Ten miles north of Merritt Island, FL. Southern rough. Active fire behavior with running and long-range spotting. Commercial property 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
* Coyote	FL	MIR	1,200		70	UNK	14		=	4	1	0	15K	FWS

Predictive Services Discussion: Significant fire potential is forecast for portions of the Northwest and Northern Rockies today for lightning. Scattered to numerous thunderstorms are expected today in Northern California, the Northwest, Great Basin and Northern Rockies. Some initially dry thunderstorms are possible in eastern Washington and Wyoming. Wet thunderstorms will continue over the Four Corner states.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.



# Today's discussion is from the Wildland / Urban Interface Category.

#### 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
Alacka	FIRES					0		0
Alaska	ACRES					300		300
N. d.	FIRES		12	1		10	44	67
Northwest	ACRES		4	0		8	17	29
Northern California	FIRES		18		2	44	57	121
Northern California	ACRES		2	p	0	352	247	601
Southern California	FIRES		1		1	12	3	17
Southern California	ACRES		1		0	64	0	65
Northern Rockies	FIRES	4				4	7	15
Northern Rockies	ACRES	2				0	855	857
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			4	2	8
	ACRES		60			102	680	842
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	8			1	7	17
Western Great basin	ACRES	0	7,224			0	0	7,224
Southwest	FIRES	4			1	1	5	11
Southwest	ACRES	2			0	1	0	3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	2			2	1	6
Nocky Mountain	ACRES	0	0			0	102	102
Eastern Area	FIRES					4	2	6
Eastern Area	ACRES					10	1	11
Southern Area	FIRES			1		67	1	69
	ACRES			1,200		351	41	1,592
TOTAL	FIRES	10	43	2	4	149	129	337
TOTAL	ACRES	4	7,291	1,200	0	1,188	1,943	11,626

# Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	74	66	50	393	12	596
Alaska	ACRES	103	308,469	84,531	110,644	647,995	9	1,151,751
Northwest	FIRES	78	67	4	9	197	310	665
Northwest	ACRES	709	2,308	2	3	20,869	175	24,066
Northern California	FIRES	21	99		10	1,311	229	1,670
	ACRES	28	527		5	12,885	502	13,947
Southern California	FIRES	14	106	3	12	1,436	251	1,822
	ACRES	184	6,964	14	14	13,157	436	20,769
Northern Rockies	FIRES	377	16	1	5	165	165	729
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Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	22	265	2	11	288	174	762
	ACRES	519	53,954	1	47	113,072	1,788	169,381
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	128	7	12	37	34	220
Trootom Groat Baom	ACRES	0	10,601	17	1	665	84	11,368
Southwest	FIRES	467	179	5	49	383	781	1,864
	ACRES	7,425	18,345	34	24,409	37,482	72,089	159,784
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	404	259	4	24	253	250	1,194
,	ACRES	2,523	4,065	3,051	7,210	13,894	4,921	35,664
Eastern Area	FIRES	615		38	19	8,836	485	9,993
Lastern / trea	ACRES	2,708		4,883	26	77,862	4,305	89,784
Southern Area	FIRES	513		47	22	15,628	459	16,669
	ACRES	32,278		1,684	150	206,704	20,537	261,353
TOTAL	FIRES	2,514	1,193	177	223	28,927	3,150	36,184
	ACRES	49,010	405,413	94,978	143,029	1,145,932	108,108	1,946,470

Ten Year Average Fires	48,926
Ten Year Average Acres	3,504,360

<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
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	_						0
	FIRES					6		6
Northern California	ACRES					3		3
	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES	_						0
	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Factors Creek Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
Mastana Onast Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES							0
0	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES	_						0
Deal Me delle	FIRES							0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
Fastana Anas	FIRES			1			1	2
Eastern Area	ACRES			40			1	41
Courth area Area	FIRES					1		1
Southern Area	ACRES					500		500
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	7	1	9
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	40	0	503	1	544

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
A11-	FIRES					11		11
Alaska	ACRES			-		21,497		21,497
NI all and	FIRES	12	55	5	1		121	194
Northwest	ACRES	6,781	8,616	1,640	11		17,529	34,577
Northern California	FIRES	1	20	23	20	32	229	325
Northern Calliornia	ACRES	10	347	22,238	64	3,588	9,397	35,644
Southern California	FIRES		9	10	8	8	63	98
Southern California	ACRES		1,612	1,493	552	307	1,969	5,933
Northern Rockies	FIRES	73	33	101	8	29	163	407
Notthern Nockies	ACRES	2,329	4,674	25,511	1,240	934	17,357	52,045
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		17	6	7	29	40	99
Eastern Great basin	ACRES		1,560	2,745	520	2,288	10,198	17,311
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	2		7	14
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		68	1,395	546		638	2,647
Southwest	FIRES	27	23	10	8		100	168
Oddiiwest	ACRES	1,575	23,009	8,870	956		63,326	97,736
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	41	56	117	26	49	135	424
Nocky Wouldan	ACRES	5,861	8,215	26,508	5,019	6,300	19,528	71,431
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		367	26	1,520	171	2,131
Eastern Area	ACRES	62,783	-	55,371	5,514	91,919	58,147	273,734
Southern Area	FIRES	17		189	69	8,818	1,164	10,257
	ACRES	2,905		83,186	72,148	270,354	1,135,682	1,564,275
TOTAL	FIRES	218	216	830	175	10,496		
TOTAL	ACRES	82,244	48,101	228,957	86,570	397,187	1,333,771	2,176,830

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

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

# **Canada Fires and Hectares**

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	29	22	657	23,006
Yukon Territory	0	52	67	151,051
Alberta	15	49,828	1,402	51,215
Northwest Territory	11	25,279	164	178,045
Saskatchewan	19	4,289	449	1,260,500
Manitoba	19	1,267	497	124,303
Ontario	7	3	763	14,648
Quebec	2	0	578	361,788
Newfoundland	0	0	32	791
New Brunswick	1	0	120	110
Nova Scotia	0	0	268	460
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	2	1	77	4,806
Total	105	80,740	5,076	2,170,728

<sup>\*\*</sup> National Interagency Coordination Center \*\*