# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Tuesday, August 31, 2010 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 2

#### **National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (188 new fires)

New large fires: 1 (\*)
Large fires contained: 7
Uncontained large fires: \*\* 20
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 9

Nationally, there are 68 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: Bayou Savage NWR (LA), Big Branch Marsh NWR (LA), Breton NWR (LA), Delta NWR (LA), Shell Key NWR (LA), Bon Secour NWR (AL), Grand Bay NWR (AL), St. Vincent NWR (FL), and McFaddin NWR (TX).
- Support to the National Park Service includes these areas: Gulf Islands National Seashore (FL), Jean Lafitte Park and Preserve (LA), Everglades National Park (FL), Dry Tortugas (FL), Biscayne National Park (FL), De Soto National Memorial (FL) and Big Cypress National Preserve (FL).

BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	USFS
1	7	487	105	23

#### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 4)

New fires:	17
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

**Whitehawk Mountain**, Boise NF. IMT 2 (Wilde). IMT is also managing the Casner fire. Fourteen miles northeast of Lowman, ID. Timber. No new information.

Casner, Boise NF. Fifteen miles northeast of Lowman, ID. Timber. No new information.

**Harris Complex** (4 fires), Southwest Area Office, Idaho Dept. of Lands. IMT 2 (Heintz). Includes previously reported Cottonwood incident. Started on private land five miles southeast of Horseshoe Bend, ID. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Commercial property threatened. Road closures in effect.

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

**Hurd**, Boise NF. IMT 2 (Kidd). Eight miles northwest of Cascade, ID. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures 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
Whitehawk Mountain	ID	BOF	337		20	UNK	92		4	0	1	0	45K	FS
Casner	ID	BOF	1,200		N/A	N/A	0		0	0	0	0	6K	FS
Harris Complex	ID	sws	2,013	-85	45	9/4	630	320	24	13	3	0	900K	PRI
Hurd	ID	BOF	1,331	0	70	9/5	677	-35	23	1	4	0	5.6M	FS
Long Butte	ID	TFD	306,113	0	100		17	-380	0	0	1	12	3.9M	BLM
Hot Tea	ID	BOD	5,419	0	100		166	-2	2	3	2	0	900K	BLM
North Bliss	ID	TFD	3,012	0	100		72	-62	0	15	0	0	266K	BLM
Frazier	ID	BOF	614	 Di-t-i-t	100		29	-118	1	0	0	0	289K	FS

TFD - Twin Falls District, BLM BOD - Boise District, BLM

#### Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:26New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:5Type 1 IMTs committed:2Type 2 IMTs committed:3

**Scott Mountain**, Willamette NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Pendleton) back to local unit will occur tomorrow. Fourteen miles northeast of McKenzie Bridge, OR. Timber. Smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**View Lake Complex** (3 fires). Mt. Hood NF. IMT 1 (Hoff). Forty-five miles east of Estacada, OR. Mixed conifer. Creeping and smoldering with isolated single tree torching. Numerous structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Oak Flat**, Rogue River – Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Ten miles northwest of Selma, OR. Closed timber litter. Backing fire. Precipitation occurred over parts of the fire area yesterday.

**Hiway 8**, Southeast Region, Washington DNR. Washington IMT 2 (Reed). One mile north of Lyle, WA. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Slide Creek,** Northeast Region, Washington DNR. Washington IMT 2 (Lafave). Six miles south of Colville, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Interior creeping and smoldering.

**White Lightning Complex,** Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles north of Warm Springs, OR. Mixed timber, brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

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
Scott Mountain	OR	WIF	3,454	0	30	UNK	397	-150	10	7	4	0	3.1M	FS
View Lake Complex	OR	MHF	4,335	-1,541	N/A	N/A	850	84	24	12	5	0	5.1M	FS
Oak Flat	OR	RSF	6,500	55	70	9/6	855	18	23	25	5	0	13.7M	FS
Hiway 8	WA	SES	2,019	-33	85	8/31	550	-144	17	38	2	3	2.2M	ST
Slide Creek	WA	NES	989	0	90	8/31	381	9	7	42	0	6	1.6M	ST
White Lightning Complex	OR	WSA	33,701	0	95	9/2	136	-24	3	11	0	4	6.8M	BIA

## Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires:4New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:2Type 2 IMTs committed:2

**Davis,** Helena NF. IMT 2 (Secrest). Eight miles southeast of Lincoln, MT. Timber and grass. Smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Downing Mtn,** Bitterroot NF. IMT 2 (Grant). Three miles west of Hamilton, MT. Timber. Smoldering with isolated single tree torching. Numerous structures threatened.

**Raven,** Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Thirty-six miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. No further information 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
Davis	МТ	HNF	2,015	-166	50	9/3	466	21	11	20	3	8	1.6M	FS
Downing Mtn.	МТ	BRF	315	0	N/A	N/A	226	-41	7	5	1	0	1.1M	FS
Raven	МТ	LED	12,000	0	90	8/31	10	0	0	3	0	0	304K	BLM
Rat Patch	МТ	CMR	16,500	0	100		12	0	0	2	0	0	301K	FWS

CMR - Charles M. Russell NWR

#### Northern California Area (PL 2)

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

**Bullard,** Tahoe NF. IMT 2 (Molhoek). Started on state land four miles east of Dobbins, CA. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering.

**Mauna Kea 33**, Hawaii State. Eighteen miles southeast of Waikoloa, HI. Brush and grass. Moderate fire activity. 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
Bullard	CA	TNF	1,307	0	80	8/31	1,048	-314	35	48	4	0	3.9M	ST
Mauna Kea 33	HI	DFW	1,387	0	70	UNK	90	-18	5	9	2	0	70K	ST

## Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires:18New large fires:1Uncontained large fires:1

<sup>\*</sup> Claybaugh, High Plains District, BLM. Thirty miles east of Gillette, WY. Juniper, brush and grass. Running 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
* Claybaugh	WY	HPD	1,050		15	9/1	56		1	9	1	0	NR	BLM

## Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:94New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:2

**Elohim City**, Oklahoma DOF. Two miles east of Nicut, OK. Hardwood litter. No new information.

**Skyline**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Ten miles southeast of Amity, AR. Timber. Structures threatened. No further information 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
Elohim City	OK	OKS	300		70	UNK	8		0	4	0	0	15K	ST
Skyline	AR	ARS	200	50	90	9/1	34	0	0	10	0	0	12K	ST
Old Military Road 16-9-21,	OK	OKS	220	0	100		4	0	0	2	0	0	1.5K	ST
Brooken Mtn 18-9- 18	OK	OKS	300	0	100		71	0	0	19	0	3	2.8K	ST

#### Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 5
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

**Carty,** Mark Twain NF. Three miles west of Black, MO. Timber. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. 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
Carty	МО	MTF	80	-120	80	9/1	57	24	1	7	0	0	15K	ST

Predictive Services Discussion: Cool and moist conditions will continue for the Northwest and Northern Rockies today. Gusty winds will persist across Wyoming into the Great Plains. Warming will begin to develop in California with offshore flow in central and northern portions of the state

<u>Link</u> to Predictive Services Outlook products.



## Today's discussion is from the Aviation Category.



Scenarios are situations that can arise on a Wildland Fire or Aviation incident and are meant to add a realistic setting for the application of Today's Safety Discussion.

#### **AVIATION "WATCH OUT" SITUATIONS**

As part of risk management, especially during high activity fires, each aviation manager and employee should be asking questions.

- Is the flight necessary?
- Who is in charge?
- Are hazards identified and known?
  Flight Hazards: Have they been identified and assessed? Have the pilots been informed?
- Should the operation or the flight be stopped due to a change in conditions? Consider the following:
  - Radio Communications
  - Environmental Conditions weather, visibility, terrain, elevation, temperatures
  - Mission Priorities
  - Successful Mission Completion Probabilities
- Is there a better way to do it?
- Is there pressure to complete a mission at all costs?
- Can you justify your actions?
- Is the mission airspace confined or congested?
   Multiple aircraft
   Mixed types of aircraft
   Poor visibility
- Do you have an escape route?
- Are any guidelines being ignored or policies being broken?
- Are communications getting tense?
- Are you deviating from the assigned operation or flight?

References: Incident Response Pocket Guide page 46

# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaala	FIRES			0				0
Alaska	ACRES			2,000				2,000
Northwest	FIRES					17	9	26
Northwest	ACRES					1,392	1	1,393
Northern California	FIRES					8	5	13
Northern Camorna	ACRES					1	1	2
Southern California	FIRES				0	7		7
Godfielli Gdillollila	ACRES				42	0		42
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1					3	4
Northern Rockies	ACRES	0					1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		7			6	4	17
Lastern Great Basin	ACRES		2			0	3	5
Western Great Basin	FIRES						ĺ	0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1			2	1	4
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		12		1	3	2	18
	ACRES		980		0	127	9	1,116
Eastern Area	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					24		24
Southern Area	FIRES			1		93		94
	ACRES			1		928		929
TOTAL	FIRES	1	20	1	1	141	24	188
	ACRES	0	982	2,001	42	2,472	15	5,512

# Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	75	66	53	436	16	647
Alaska	ACRES	103	292,748	136,900	110,724	558,827	10	1,099,312
Northwest	FIRES	163	202	10	26	368	1,092	1,861
Northwest	ACRES	34,755	17,065	3,354	4,690	31,722	1,435	93,021
Northern California	FIRES	51	122		13	1,569	413	2,168
Northern Camorna	ACRES	47	12,222		8	18,476	3,217	33,970
Southern California	FIRES	18	191	3	26	1,999	396	2,633
Codificin Camornia	ACRES	186	10,329	14	3,871	23,621	21,959	59,980
Northern Rockies	FIRES	439	60	6	14	350	540	1,409
Nottrieffi Nockies	ACRES	3,437	10,849	17,986	722	14,598	12,874	60,466
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	43	538	2	27	511	477	1,598
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES	12,383	451,974	1	96	143,474	22,729	630,657
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	205	9	15	62	52	345
Western Great Basin	ACRES	0	17,540	35	5	3,151	1,142	21,873
Southwest	FIRES	522	203	8	61	455	910	2,159
Codimioot	ACRES	7,675	18,707	38	24,505	43,211	73,931	168,067
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	592	403	8	35	393	362	1,793
rtooky wountain	ACRES	3,107	8,495	3,064	7,300	33,530	11,195	66,691
Eastern Area	FIRES	636		39	21	9,784	510	10,990
Lastern Area	ACRES	2,709		4,883	27	83,157	4,449	95,225
Southern Area	FIRES	529		57	24	17,076	510	18,196
Jodinom Aloa	ACRES	32,976		6,149	224	210,849	21,383	271,581
TOTAL	FIRES	2,996	1,999	208	315	33,003	5,278	43,799
TO TALL	ACRES	97,378	839,929	172,424	152,172	1,164,616	174,324	2,600,843

Ten Year Average Fires	58,644
Ten Year Average Acres	5,340,692

<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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					25		25
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					12		12
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						42	42
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	37	42	79

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					12		12
	ACRES					21,502		21,502
Northwest	FIRES	12	104	6	1		152	275
	ACRES	6,781	21,603	1,648	11		17,529	47,572
Northern California	FIRES	1	12	24	19	29	229	314
	ACRES	10	771	22,275	34	4,042	9,397	36,529
Southern California	FIRES		9	10	7	18	63	107
	ACRES		1,612	1,493	547	2,459	1,969	8,080
Northern Rockies	FIRES	97	33	107	8	29	146	420
	ACRES	3,982	4,674	25,961	1,240	934	17,107	53,898
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		18	6	7	29	40	100
	ACRES		4,110	2,745	520	2,288	10,198	19,861
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	2	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	7	14
	ACRES		68	1,395	546		638	2,647
Southwest	FIRES	30	20	10	9		124	193
	ACRES	2,183	22,553	8,870	1,108		64,094	98,808
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	55	118	26	47	136	424
	ACRES	5,869	8,160	26,858	5,019	6,215	19,554	71,675
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		370	37	1,540	184	2,178
	ACRES	62,783		56,466	5,986	92,567	59,214	277,016
Southern Area	FIRES	19		192	69	8,834	1,083	10,197
	ACRES	3,140		87,408	72,148	281,138	1,037,945	1,481,779
TOTAL	FIRES	248	254	845	185	10,538		
	ACRES	84,748	63,551	235,119	87,159	411,145	1,237,645	2,119,367

<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	9	0	1,568	322,370
Yukon Territory	0	0	86	155,862
Alberta	0	0	1,702	83,396
Northwest Territory	0	0	219	320,714
Saskatchewan	0	4	570	1,777,228
Manitoba	0	0	569	149,836
Ontario	3	1	884	14,985
Quebec	1	2	686	361,593
Newfoundland	2	3	48	815
New Brunswick	1	0	160	149
Nova Scotia	0	0	290	461
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	0	0	101	6,173
Total	16	10	6,885	3,193,585

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