National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Thursday, September 16, 2010 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (95 new fires)

New large fires: 4 (*)
Large fires contained: 3
Uncontained large fires: ** 6
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Nationally, there are 79 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 11
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Canyon, Sequoia NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Eight miles west of Lake Isabella, CA. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and crowning. Numerous structures threatened. 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
Canyon	CA	SQF	6,136	1,036	50	9/19	1,565	470	44	108	12	1	4.5M	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires:4New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:1Type 1 IMTs committed:1

Reservoir Road, Larimer County. IMT 1 (Thomas). Eight miles west of Loveland, CO. Timber. No further information received.

^{**} Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

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Reservoir Road	СО	LRX	740	30	65	9/17	557	0	15	28	4	6	1.1M	CNTY

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:11New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:0Type 2 IMTs committed:1

Twitchell Canyon, Fishlake NF. IMT 2 (Ourada). Seven miles east of Manderfield, UT. Timber. Active fire behavior.

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Twitchell Canyon	UT	FIF	20,870	9,577	N/A	N/A	201	40	5	10	2	2	6M	FS
Dairy Canyon	ID	IFDS	2,502	2	100		166	-28	4	10	2	0	220K	BLM

IFDS - Idaho Falls-South, BLM

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires:6New large fires:1Uncontained large fires:1

* **Cougar Mountain**, Prineville District, BLM. Seventeen miles south of Dayville, OR. Timber, juniper and grass. Active fire behavior.

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* Cougar Mountain	OR	PRD	500		0	UNK	60		3	4	0	0	19K	BLM

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Pine Creek,** Ponderosa Area Office, Idaho Dept. of Lands. Twenty miles northeast of Lewiston, ID. Brush and grass. Creeping and backing.

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 Creek	ID	PDS	670		60	9/16	59	2	2	4	0	0	60K	ST

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:28New large fires:1Uncontained large fires:2

Ft Gates #22, National Forests in Florida. Two miles northwest of Georgetown, FL. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity.

* **Lake Erling**, Arkansas Forestry Commission. Ten miles northwest of Taylor, AR. Timber. No further information received.

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Ft Gates #22	FL	FNF	1,090	-10	90	9/16	12	1	0	2	1	0	25K	FS
* Lake Erling	AR	ARS	100		50	9/16	8		0	0	0	0	1K	ST
* Freedom	AL	ALF	151		100		4		0	0	0	0	12.5K	FS

ALF – National Forests in Alabama

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

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
Cottonwood	NV	WID	1,576	0	100		156	-77	5	4	2	0	500K	BLM

WID - Winnemucca Field Office, BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Warm and dry weather is on tap for most of the West today except for showers over portions of the Northwest and Northern Rockies. Gusty winds are expected over Wyoming. Low relative humidity will continue across portions of the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic states.

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



Today's discussion is from the Fireline Safety Category

FIGHT FIRE AGGRESSIVELY, BUT PROVIDE FOR SAFETY FIRST

Standard Fire Order #10 must be taken into account at all times when fighting fire. In order to fight fire safely and aggressively, every firefighter must be able to answer the following questions:

- Is the suppression method adequate? Ask yourselves, are we making progress? Are we beating our heads against a wall? Is there a better way to get this done? Give examples when you have had to change your suppression method.
- Are there adequate resources and time for effective suppression? Ask yourselves, do we need to retreat and reevaluate? Talk about times when you have realized you weren't getting anywhere and needed to retreat and start managing firefighters and placing orders.
- Are lookouts posted? Discuss when you post lookouts, who you would choose to be a lookout, and where they should be located.
- Are communications prompt with crews and other resources? Review the importance of good communications on the fireline.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been established? Talk about your crew's procedure for establishing escape routes and safety zones. Review what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone.
- Do you feel comfortable with your assignment? Discuss the situation check. Remind firefighters that every individual has the right to question an assignment.
- To reduce the risks:
 - Post lookouts.
 - Retreat if the situation is too complex. Emphasize that safety is everyone's responsibility; we all want to be good firefighters and being safe is part of that.
 - Do you have established trigger points?

References:

Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations
Incident Response Pocket Guide

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES					1		1
Alaska	ACRES					0		0
	FIRES					3	3	6
Northwest	ACRES	-				0	0	0
North and Oalife and	FIRES					11	3	14
Northern California	ACRES					7	0	7
Southern California	FIRES		2		0	9	0	11
Southern Camornia	ACRES		0		35	10	2,174	2,219
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	3	4
NOTTHETT NOCKIES	ACRES					470	76	546
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1	1		1	8	11
Lastern Great Dasin	ACRES		2	5		0	10,069	10,076
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
Western Great basin	ACRES		0			0		0
Southwest	FIRES	9					4	13
Journwest	ACRES	7					70	77
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3		4
rtooky wourtain	ACRES		1			31		32
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
Lasterii Area	ACRES					0		0
Couthorn Arcs	FIRES					27	1	28
Southern Area	ACRES					106	1	107
TOTAL	FIRES	9	5	1	0	58	22	95
TOTAL	ACRES	7	3	5	35	624	12,390	13,064

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	75	66	53	441	16	652
Alaska	ACRES	103	292,748	140,298	110,724	557,756	10	1,101,639
Northwest	FIRES	169	240	19	27	497	986	1,938
T TOTAL WOOL	ACRES	34,656	17,339	3,406	4,942	33,371	4,009	97,723
Northern California	FIRES	61	123		13	1,646	446	2,289
	ACRES	49	12,222		8	18,510	2,776	33,565
Southern California	FIRES	18	203	4	34	2,203	261	2,723
	ACRES	186	10,341	14	8,158	25,266	30,774	74,739
Northern Rockies	FIRES	472	64	7	14	377	565	1,499
	ACRES	4,363	10,869	17,987	722	15,322	13,278	62,541
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	44	546	3	29	531	494	1,647
	ACRES	12,384	409,220	610	5,248	166,943	43,159	637,564
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	221	9	16	67	56 	372
	ACRES	0	19,157	35	10	3,158	1,143	23,503
Southwest	FIRES	540	212	8	64	459	948	2,231
	ACRES	7,702	48,992	38	24,855	45,234	75,558	202,379
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	633	427	8	38	459	410	1,975
•	ACRES	3,167	7,727	3,064	7,355	60,204	8,269	89,786
Eastern Area	FIRES	636		40	23	10,546	523 	11,768
	ACRES	2,709		4,883	31	86,153	4,542	98,318
Southern Area	FIRES	533		56	15	18,497	567	19,668
	ACRES	33,109		6,543	188	239,336	22,186	301,362
TOTAL	FIRES	3,110	2,111	220	326	35,723	5,272	46,762
	ACRES	98,428	828,615	176,878	162,241	1,251,253	205,704	2,723,119

Ten Year Average Fires	61,912
Ten Year Average Acres	5,755,215

^{***} 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
Al-al-a	FIRES						0	0
Alaska	ACRES						17	17
	FIRES			3			8	11
Northwest	ACRES			60			1,788	1,848
N. 41	FIRES				1		1	2
Northern California	ACRES				209		34	243
O. than Oalifania	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						7	7
Northern Rockies	ACRES						167	167
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES						1,430	1,430
Western Great Basin	FIRES				0			0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES				250			250
Southwest	FIRES	2		1	1		1	5
Southwest	ACRES	216		0	175		210	601
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
NOCKY MOUITAIN	ACRES		100					100
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
Eastern Area	ACRES						110	110
Southern Area	FIRES					4	2	6
Southern Area	ACRES					283	405	688
TOTAL	FIRES	2	1	4	2	4	21	34
TOTAL	ACRES	216	100	60	634	283	4,161	5,454

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES					12	0	12
Alaska	ACRES					21,502	47	21,549
	FIRES	12	49	12	1		112	186
Northwest	ACRES	6,781	9,216	1,913	11		18,446	36,367
N. 41	FIRES	1	12	26	20	29	233	321
Northern California	ACRES	10	771	22,335	243	4,042	9,767	37,168
	FIRES		9	11	7	20	63	110
Southern California	ACRES		1,612	1,525	547	2,506	1,969	8,159
	FIRES	97	36	107	8	28	183	459
Northern Rockies	ACRES	3,982	5,372	25,961	1,240	894	18,170	55,619
Factors Occat Basis	FIRES		19	6	9	29	51	114
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES		4,710	2,745	775	2,288	14,409	24,927
Western Onest Desir	FIRES		4	2	4		8	18
Western Great Basin	ACRES		71	1,395	846		638	2,950
Courthurson	FIRES	32	20	12	10		131	205
Southwest	ACRES	2,409	23,116	8,870	1,283		65,601	101,279
De els Messateia	FIRES	43	69	119	28	47	136	442
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	5,877	17,080	27,738	7,221	6,215	19,764	83,895
Fastons Ana	FIRES	48		372	41	1,544	183	2,188
Eastern Area	ACRES	62,797		56,809	6,021	92,599	59,497	277,723
Courthorn Aron	FIRES	20		192	64	8,846	1,107	10,229
Southern Area	ACRES	3,175		87,408	71,462	281,921	1,050,573	1,494,539
TOTAL	FIRES	253	218	859	192	10,555	2,207	14,284
TOTAL	ACRES	85,031	61,948	236,699	89,649	411,967	1,258,881	2,144,175

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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	19	1	1,597	322,396
Yukon Territory	0	0	86	155,862
Alberta	35	1	1,741	83,396
Northwest Territory	4	70	224	320,809
Saskatchewan	0	0	570	1,768,641
Manitoba	0	0	569	150,179
Ontario	4	0	895	14,988
Quebec	11	4	716	352,627
Newfoundland	3	0	55	816
New Brunswick	3	0	173	150
Nova Scotia	2	0	293	461
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	0	0	101	6,173
Total	81	76	7,022	3,176,50

^{***}CIFFC information updated weekly***

^{**} National Interagency Coordination Center **