

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, July 15, 2011 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 3**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (150 new fires)
New large fires:	7 (*)
Large fires contained:	5
Uncontained large fires: **	16
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Nationally, there are 23 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.

**Southern Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	47
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	12
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Texas IMT 2 (Hannemann) is managing existing and new fires located in Texas state initial attack zones.

**Simmons Road**, North Carolina DFR. North Carolina IMT 2 (Hendricks). IMT is also managing the Juniper Road fire. Nine miles northeast of Tar Heel, NC. Brush. Minimal fire activity. Residences threatened.

**Juniper Road**, North Carolina DFR. Thirteen miles northeast of Rocky Point, NC. Brush. Minimal fire activity. Residences threatened.

**Honey Prairie**, Okefenokee NWR. Florida IMT 2 (West). Five miles northeast of Fargo, GA. Southern rough. Moderate fire activity. Numerous residences threatened.

**Sweat Farm Again**, Georgia DOF. Twelve miles west of Waycross, GA. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity. Residences threatened.

**Racepond**, Georgia DOF. Twelve miles south of Hoboken, GA. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened.

**Clay**, Texas Forest Service. Four miles northeast of Forsan, TX. Brush. Minimal fire activity.

\* **North Fork**, Texas Forest Service. Five miles northeast of Electra, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior with spotting.

**Nolan County Complex**, Texas Forest Service. Six miles southeast of Sweetwater, TX. Grass and brush. Minimal fire activity.

**Browning**, Texas Forest Service. Six miles northeast of Fluvanna, TX. Brush. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. No further information received.

**Williams**, Texas Forest Service. Thirteen miles south of Kent, TX. Brush. Moderate fire activity.

**Armstrong**, Texas Forest Service. Ten miles west of Jacksboro, TX. Brush and grass. Structures threatened. Interior smoldering.

**Cinch Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. One mile west of Memphis, TX. Brush and grass. 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
Simmons Road	NC	NCS	5,632	0	70	9/1	242	-1	0	47	4	19	2.4M	ST
Juniper Road	NC	NCS	31,140	0	85	UNK	56	-1	0	15	0	0	2.7M	ST
Honey Prairie	GA	OKR	299,389	863	70	UNK	685	-7	1	110	7	1	39.6M	FWS
Sweat Farm Again	GA	GAS	19,169	0	86	UNK	57	-4	0	5	0	13	2.9M	ST
Racepond	GA	GAS	20,934	0	86	UNK	40	-12	0	12	0	0	4.7M	ST
Clay	TX	TXS	5,000	1,500	70	7/16	38	-45	0	5	0	0	NR	ST
* North Fork	TX	TXS	441	---	85	UNK	29	---	0	3	0	0	NR	ST
Nolan County Complex	TX	TXS	3,880	0	50	UNK	1	-3	0	0	0	2	NR	ST
Browning	TX	TXS	2,182	-818	75	UNK	0	-37	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Williams	TX	TXS	1,275	100	80	7/15	57	0	0	8	0	0	NR	ST
Armstrong	TX	TXS	700	0	95	7/15	52	0	1	4	0	0	NR	ST
Cinch Ranch	TX	TXS	475	75	95	7/15	0	-24	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
CR 337	TX	TXS	1,204	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	4	NR	ST
Howard Mt.	AR	ARS	540	190	100	---	24	15	0	0	0	0	39K	ST

ARS – Arkansas Forestry Commission

**Southwest (PL 4)**

New fires: 21  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Las Conchas**, Bernalillo District, New Mexico State Forestry. IMT 1 (Turman). Thirteen miles southwest of Los Alamos, NM. Timber and grass. Moderate fire activity. Numerous structures threatened.

**Pacheco**, Santa Fe NF. Nine miles north of Santa Fe, NM. Timber and slash. 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
Las Conchas	NM	N6S	150,041	801	61	UNK	1,001	207	19	32	10	112	37.7M	ST

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
Pacheco	NM	SNF	10,250	---	80	UNK	37	---	1	2	0	0	9M	FS
Britt	NM	N4S	14,507	0	100	---	6	-17	0	2	0	0	80K	ST
* Horseshoe	NM	N5S	1,158	---	100	---	3	---	0	1	0	0	24K	ST

N4S – Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry

N5S – Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry

### **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 6  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Duckett**, Pike and San Isabel NF. Eight miles northwest of Westcliffe, CO. Timber and grass. Minimal fire activity. 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
Duckett	CO	PSF	4,685	0	80	8/1	26	-20	1	0	3	0	6.6M	FS

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

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

**Hidden**, Arizona Strip, BLM. Twenty-four miles south of Littlefield, AZ. Brush 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
Hidden	AZ	ASD	17,188	---	95	7/15	23	---	0	4	1	0	657K	BLM

### **Alaska Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 3  
 New large fires: 4  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

**Sinyalak Creek**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Twenty-one miles northwest of Allakaket, AK. Slash and brush. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **North Aniak River**, Galena Zone, BLM. Started on National Park Service land seventy miles north of Ambler, AK. Grass, tundra and tussocks. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Zane Hills**, Galena Zone, BLM. Forty-nine miles north of Huslia, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Fickett Creek**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Eleven miles southwest of Bettles, AK. Slash and brush. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Chitsia Mountain**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on National Park Service land thirty miles west of Healy, AK. Timber, slash and brush. Moderate fire activity. 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
Sinyalak Creek	AK	TAD	2,962	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	BLM
* North Aniak River	AK	GAD	2,496	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	NPS
* Zane Hills	AK	GAD	1,178	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
* Fickett Creek	AK	TAD	486	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	BLM
* Chitsia Mountain	AK	TAD	331	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	NPS

**Northern California Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 24  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained 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
* Flynn	CA	SCU	525	---	100	---	49	---	0	12	2	0	75K	ST

SCU – Santa Clara Unit, Cal Fire

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Gusty south to southwest winds and low relative humidity levels will persist into Friday across the Great Basin southward into the deserts of Southern California and Arizona. Widely scattered mainly wet thunderstorms will continue over central New Mexico northward into portions of the Central and Northern Rockies. Hot and dry across the southern and central Plains with shower and storm activity continuing over the southeastern U.S.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



**Today's discussion is from the  
Weather / Fire Behavior Category.**

## **EXTREME FIRE BEHAVIOR 1**

Mild, moderate and EXTREME fire behavior has always been present in cases of shelter deployment. It is critical for firefighters to maintain situational awareness of live and dead fuel moisture conditions as well as predicted and current weather conditions. As fire behavior changes, it is critical to act decisively to the changing situation.

● Discuss the following indicators of extreme fire behavior:

- Relative humidity less than 15%
- 1-hour fuel moisture less than 5%
- Transition from surface to crown fire
- Smoldering fires that exist in the early part of the day are beginning to burn very actively as the day progresses.
- Approaching thunderheads with dark clouds beneath
- Presence of dust devils indicating an unstable atmosphere
- Increased spotting
- Sudden calm
- High clouds moving fast in direction different from surface wind
- Predicted Haines Index of 5 and 6 in those areas where this level is a good indicator of atmospheric instability
- Fire whirls

References:

[Fireline Handbook](#)

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			0	0	3		3
	ACRES			35	119	7		161
Northwest	FIRES		1			5	1	7
	ACRES		1			2	0	3
Northern California	FIRES	1				21	2	24
	ACRES	0				25	0	25
Southern California	FIRES		3			19	1	23
	ACRES		12			55	104	171
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					431	0	431
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		0			0		0
Southwest	FIRES	6	2		1	4	8	21
	ACRES	10	73		0	3	62	148
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	2	1			1	2	6
	ACRES	10	0			10	0	20
Eastern Area	FIRES					10	1	11
	ACRES					20	1	21
Southern Area	FIRES					44	3	47
	ACRES					278	38	316
TOTAL	FIRES	9	8	0	1	112	20	150
	ACRES	20	86	35	119	831	205	1,296

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		24	24	16	364	3	431
	ACRES		41,746	36,647	3,079	190,428	1	271,901
Northwest	FIRES	70	43	2	8	133	88	344
	ACRES	1,351	101	32	4	225	79	1,792
Northern California	FIRES	19	4	3	5	1	71	103
	ACRES	8	0	0	2,076	0	1,812	3,896
Southern California	FIRES	14	202	3	5	1,741	162	2,127
	ACRES	82	2,018	1	222	14,879	2,302	19,504
Northern Rockies	FIRES	163	7	4	3	89	54	320
	ACRES	320	124	49	6	397	36	932
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	12	173	1	6	184	52	428
	ACRES	1,793	19,813	26	6	3,248	81	24,967
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	117	3	10	49	3	185
	ACRES	10	8,543	62	0	9,757	0	18,372
Southwest	FIRES	666	214	10	24	740	630	2,284
	ACRES	26,294	98,257	181	8,490	547,012	1,158,894	1,839,128
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	278	138	24	13	369	199	1,021
	ACRES	3,030	325	3,502	2,269	227,284	26,284	262,694
Eastern Area	FIRES	336		24	14	3,158	194	3,726
	ACRES	353		2,611	71	25,064	14,075	42,174
Southern Area	FIRES	570		227	62	27,739	700	29,298
	ACRES	104,544		79,501	55,653	3,116,396	28,303	3,384,397
TOTAL	FIRES	2,131	922	325	166	34,567	2,156	40,267
	ACRES	137,785	170,927	122,612	71,876	4,134,690	1,231,867	5,869,757

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>44,349</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>3,194,052</b>

\*\*\* 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						300	300
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							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	300	300



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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		11		12
	ACRES			20		5,715		5,735
Northwest	FIRES	8	43	6	1		119	177
	ACRES	5,268	6,872	409	42		6,885	19,476
Northern California	FIRES	15	16	13	21		129	194
	ACRES	61	655	19,165	141		5,323	25,345
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	4	10	75	109
	ACRES		819	1,963	1,055	1,178	2,075	7,090
Northern Rockies	FIRES	40	13	41	1	13	93	201
	ACRES	1,477	853	7,849	141	211	4,247	14,778
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	14	3	1	34	29	81
	ACRES	54	1,938	1,023	55	696	5,676	9,442
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	9	16
	ACRES		121	550		64	296	1,031
Southwest	FIRES	19	25	3	3		78	128
	ACRES	1,728	191,660	1,428	45		73,028	267,889
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	41	32	89	17	45	121	345
	ACRES	4,678	5,407	14,174	4,703	7,932	30,237	67,131
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		338	22	828	127	1,344
	ACRES	60,253		42,664	3,781	49,138	39,264	195,100
Southern Area	FIRES	41		134	17	1,275	604	2,071
	ACRES	7,833		65,547	10,168	246,667	535,043	865,258
TOTAL	FIRES	193	157	639	87	2,218	1,384	4,678
	ACRES	81,352	208,325	154,792	20,131	311,601	702,074	1,478,275

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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	6	0	242	11,492
YUKON TERRITORY	1	1	48	39,508
ALBERTA	0	7	756	934,943
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	11	1,281	136	284,059
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	239	312,033
MANITOBA	6	1,412	162	57,455
ONTARIO	11	938	463	132,462
QUEBEC	4	4	157	7,936
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	26	69
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	60	38
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	101	130
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	31	62,159
TOTALS	39	3,642	2,422	1,842,284

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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