## National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Sunday, August 28, 2011 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 3

### National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (246 new fires)
New large fires:	14 (*)
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires: **	42
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	11

Nationally, there are 53 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.

A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Giachino) is assigned to establish and manage a mobilization center at East Farmingdale, New York in response to Hurricane Irene.

#### Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires:	19
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

West Riverside, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Grant). Twelve miles southeast of Missoula, MT. Timber. Torching and spotting.

\* Ariana 2, Northwest Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (Fry). Started on private land fourteen miles southeast of Libby, MT. Moderate fire activity.

**Diamond Complex** (two fires), Miles City Field Office, BLM. Includes previously reported Mill incident. IMT 2 (Heintz). Twenty-nine miles south of Ashland, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

**Saddle Complex – Bitterroot Branch**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 2 (Hutton). Thirty miles southwest of Darby, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Black Springs Complex**, (two fires) Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Benes). Six miles west of Lame Deer, MT. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

**Elk Park,** Lewis and Clark NF. Twenty-two miles northwest of Sulphur Springs, MT. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

\* **Bald Bear**, Lewis and Clark NF. Twenty-one miles southwest of Augusta, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity is reported.

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
West Riverside	MT	DNR	2,300	200	30	UNK	493	8	10	26	3	0	1.6M	ST
* Ariana 2	ΜТ	NWS	200		0	UNK	95		3	6	2	0	150K	PRI
Diamond Complex	MT	MCD	50,756	8,500	65	UNK	569	232	17	33	3	3	2.15M	BLM
Saddle Complex- Bitterroot Branch	MT	BRF	12,383	391	N/A	N/A	180	37	4	12	3	0	500K	FS
Black Springs Complex	MT	NCA	24,570	0	86	8/29	329	-109	6	17	2	0	1.5M	BIA
Elk Park	MT	LCF	600	0	10	UNK	125	32	5	6	0	0	250K	FS
* Bald Bear	МТ	LCF	300		N/A	N/A	25		2	0	1	0	25K	FS

### Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	34
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	16
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

**High Cascades Complex** (four fires), Warm Springs Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Fillis). Warm Springs Reservation. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Hancock Complex**, (five fires) Prineville District, BLM. IMT 2 (Rapp). Two miles northeast of Clarno, OR. Grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**West Little**, Vale District, BLM. Forty-five miles northeast of McDermitt, OR. Brush. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. Minimal fire activity.

\* Incident 614, Prineville District, BLM. Thirteen miles north of Mitchell, OR. Grass. Running and torching.

Webster, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Warm Springs, OR. Grass. Smoldering.

**Smyth Creek**, Burns District, BLM. Fifteen miles south of Diamond, OR. Timber and grass. Moderate fire activity.

DSL Complex, Burns District, BLM. Sixty miles southeast of Burns, OR. Brush. Creeping and smoldering.

**Desert Meadows**, Burns District, BLM. Fifteen miles south of Frenchglen, OR. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Incident 615**, Prineville District, BLM. Three miles southeast of Twickingham, OR. Grass. Minimal fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Lauserica**, Burns District, BLM. Twenty miles northwest of Fields, OR. Brush. Moderate fire activity. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
High Cascades Complex	OR	WSA	24,525	17,286	5	9/5	387	242	16	31	0	0	850K	BIA
Hancock Complex	OR	PRD	33,000	15,000	50	UNK	315	33	6	20	3	0	736K	BLM
DSL Complex	OR	BUD	6,964	0	75	8/28	128	0	4	11	0	0	262K	BLM
West Little	OR	VAD	4,331	-69	20	8/28	87	-18	1	17	2	0	350K	BLM
* Incident 614	OR	PRD	2,500		5	UNK	15		1	1	1	0	150K	BLM
Smyth Creek	OR	BUD	1,605	5	45	8/30	112	37	3	16	0	0	180K	BLM
Webster	OR	WSA	1,500	0	30	UNK	2	0	0	1	0	0	20K	BIA
Desert Meadows	OR	BUD	1,891	391	N/A	N/A	50	0	1	5	1	0	250K	BLM
Incident 615	OR	PRD	550	-50	40	UNK	3	-3	0	0	0	0	2.5K	BLM
Lauserica	OR	BUD	459	-341	45	9/1	24	20	0	0	0	0	150K	BLM

#### Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires:	37
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Hole in the Wall,** Shoshone NF. South Dakota IMT 2 (Lowe). Seven miles west of Clark, WY. Timber. Torching and spotting. Residences threatened.

Thompson, Niobrara County. Twenty miles northwest of Lance Creek, WY. Grass. No new information.

Cheyenne River, Niobrara County. Thirty miles south of Newcastle, WY. Grass. No new information.

Manning, Converse County. Eighteen miles west of Lance Creek, WY. Grass. No new information.

Sambrito 2, Southern Ute Agency, BIA. Eight miles east of Ignacio, CO. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

**South Pennock**, Rawlins District, BLM. Five miles east of Saratoga, WY. Brush and grass. Moderate 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
Hole in the Wall	WY	SHF	6,185	0	N/A	N/A	453	17	12	14	10	0	1.75M	FS
Thompson	WY	NIX	6,842		60	UNK	14		0	3	0	0	NR	CNTY
Cheyenne River	WY	NIX	5,000		30	UNK	49		1	8	0	0	NR	CNTY
Manning	WY	сох	2,500		15	UNK	20		1	0	1	0	NR	CNTY
Sambrito 2	со	SUA	586	109	52	8/29	153	19	5	7	2	0	665K	BIA

South Pennock	WY	RAD	450	76	80	8/28	36	-11	0	11	0	0	60K	BLM
Rourke	WY	HPD	4,212	0	100		28	-62	0	7	0	0	850K	BLM
Wild Stallion	SD	PRA	2,510	0	100		7	-8	0	2	0	2	220K	BIA
Paintrock	WY	WBD	412	0	100		39	-11	1	1	0	0	70K	BLM

HPD – High Plains District, BLM

PRA – Pine Ridge Agency, BIA

WBD – Wind River Big Horn Basin District, BLM

#### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:	31
New large fires:	4
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Salt,** Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Sommer). Sixteen miles southwest of Salmon, ID. Timber. Spotting and torching.

**Saddle Complex,** Salmon-Challis NF. Twenty-two miles northwest of North Fork, ID. Timber. No new information.

\* Middle, Arizona Strip District, BLM. Fifty miles south of St. George, UT. Grass. Active fire behavior.

\* Scenic Complex, Arizona Strip District, BLM. Tem miles south of Mesquite, AZ. Grass. Active fire behavior.

\* Plateau, Arizona Strip District, BLM. Eight miles south of St. George, UT. Brush. Active fire behavior.

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
Salt	ID	SCF	1,000	650	0	UNK	117	52	5	2	5	0	350K	FS
Saddle Complex	ID	SCF	10,754		N/A	N/A	55		2	1	0	0	324K	FS
* Middle	AZ	ASD	866		70	8/28	6		0	1	1	0	NR	BLM
* Scenic Complex	AZ	ASD	650		10	UNK	120		4	5	2	0	NR	BLM
* Plateau	AZ	ASD	500		0	8/30	20		0	4	0	0	5K	BLM
T17	ID	INE	50,176	-1,024	100		0	-65	0	0	0	0	410K	DOE
* Jetty South	UT	BRS	350		100		1		0	0	0	0	4K	ST

INE – Idaho National Laboratory, DOE

BRS – Bear River Area, Utah DOF

#### Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	18
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Motor**, Sierra NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Thirteen miles northeast of Mariposa, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

\* Oasis, Los Angeles County. Seven miles northwest of Wrightwood, CA. Chaparral. Moderate 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
Motor	CA	SNF	3,500	1,200	15	9/9	849	-280	25	113	9	0	1.5K	FS
* Oasis	CA	LAC	375	40		8/28	268		10	17	6	0	500K	CNTY

### Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	43
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Lateral West, Great Dismal Swamp NWR. IMT 2 (Dueitt). Nine miles southeast of Suffolk, VA. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

JA Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Eighteen miles southeast of Claude, TX. Grass. Smoldering.

\* Mathews, Texas Forest Service. Seven miles northwest of Spearman, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior.

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
Lateral West	VA	GDR	6,538		35	UNK	402		5	29	5	0	7.5M	FWS
JA Ranch	ТΧ	TXS	1,200	0	95	UNK	0	-58	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Mathews	ΤХ	TXS	600		0	UNK	20		0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* The Rib	ТΧ	TXS	127		100		16		0	1	1	0	NR	ST

#### Western Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:	16
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	4

Jumbo, Ely District, BLM. Fifty-three miles northeast of Mesquite, NV. Grass. Smoldering.

\* **Ellison**, Battle Mountain District, BLM. Fifty seven miles southwest of Battle Mountain, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Smoldering.

**Silverbell**, Winnemucca District, BLM. Twenty miles northwest of Gerlach, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Toano, Northern Region, Nevada DOF. Thirty miles west of Wells, NV. Grass. Creeping and 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
Jumbo	NV	ELD	1,715	0	75	8/28	139	-4	5	2	1	0	200K	BLM
* Ellison	NV	BMD	1,041		50		83		2	7	0	0	20K	BLM
Silverbell	NV	WID	390	-60	65	8/28	98	-51	4	2	3	0	600K	BLM
Toano	NV	NNS	328	28	90	UNK	76	19	3	0	2	0	NR	ST

### Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	25
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	1

**Catfish**, Socorro Field Office, BLM. Started on Bureau of Reclamation land 28 miles southwest of San Antonio, NM. Chaparral. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

\* **FourR**, Coconino NF. One mile south of Dragoon, AZ. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Tanner**, Tonto NF. Nineteen miles south of Young, AZ. Logging slash. 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
Catfish	NM	SCD	350		20	8/31	32		1	2	0	0	9K	BOR
* FourR	AZ	CNF	700		N/A	N/A	28		1	3	0	0	20K	FS
* Tanner	AZ	TNF	150		N/A	N/A	37		1	3	0	0	5K	FS

#### Northern California Area (PL 2)

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

\* **Beacon**, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Three miles northeast of Fairfield, CA. Grass. Active fire behavior. 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
* Beacon	CA	LNU	500		40	8/28	58		2	5	1	0	95K	ST

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Scattered thunderstorms will develop across the Southwest, central and southern Rockies and the eastern Great Basin. Scattered showers and thunderstorms are expected over parts of the High Plains, Great Plains and Middle Mississippi Valley near a front and also over southern parts of Florida. Heavy rain, thunderstorms and strong winds associated with Hurricane Irene will move from the Middle to the Northern Atlantic Coast States. Conditions will remain generally hot across much of the West.

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



Today's discussion is from the Fireline Safety Category.

#### FIRE NOT SCOUTED AND SIZED UP

Watchout Situation #1 comes up during initial attack and every time resources arrive at a fire.

Before taking action on the fire, the following considerations must be addressed:

- Can you personally observe the fire or must you use scouts? Describe ways you can scout and size up a fire.
- Do you know the location of the fire perimeter? Discuss situations in which the fire perimeter may not be obvious. (Spotty fires, etc.)
- Do you know the direction of fire spread? When isn't the direction of fire spread obvious? (Wind shifts, spotty fires, etc.)
- Does the direction of fire spread increase risk? Talk about situations where you may have to approach the head of the fire. (Hiking down from a helispot, approaching from an existing road, switching winds, etc.)
- Do you know the fuels and their condition? What kind of information will you assume from what you already know about fuel types? (Spot fires in fir, extreme fire potential in flashy fuels, etc.)
- Are there aerial resources that can act as lookouts?

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- Do topographic hazards exist? What can you assume from what kind of terrain the fire covers? (Slope, chimneys, aspect, etc.)
- Does enough information exist to establish a plan of attack? When do you have enough information to begin fighting fire? What do you need to know?
- Do other dangers exist? Have you talked about factors specific to the area you are working in? (Hunters in the woods, drought, snag patches, etc.)

To reduce the risks:

- Post lookouts until the fire is sized up and escape routes and safety zones are established.
- Retreat if the situation is too complex. Review fires where you had to wait until the area in which you were assigned to work was scouted and sized up before you were allowed onto the fireline.

#### **References:**

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

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# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1	1	2
Alaska	ACRES	-				0	0	0
Northwest	FIRES	1	4			5	24	34
Northwest	ACRES	2	664			4	37	707
Northern California	FIRES		2			15	1	18
Northern California	ACRES		20			19	0	39
Southern California	FIRES					14	4	18
	ACRES					35	0	35
Northern Rockies	FIRES		5			4	10	19
	ACRES		428			431	1,738	2,597
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	12		1	8	8	31
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	1	560		0	15,007	752	16,320
Western Great Basin	FIRES		13			2	1	16
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		1,042			2	0	1,044
Southwest	FIRES				2		23	25
	ACRES				3		522	525
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	3	13		1	11	9	37
	ACRES	6	21		0	4,718	495	5,240
Eastern Area	FIRES					3		3
Lasteni Alea	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES					38	5	43
	ACRES					1,198	36	1,234
TOTAL	FIRES	6	49	0	4	101	86	246
	ACRES	9	2,735	0	3	21,415	3,580	27,742

## Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	26	28	17	411	8	492
	ACRES	8	47,653	36,821	8,040	199,818	1	292,341
Northwest	FIRES	193	198	8	38	326	603	1,366
Northwest	ACRES	3,727	57,152	89	4	6,597	1,248	68,817
Northern California	FIRES	67	13	5	13	1,450	196	1,744
	ACRES	53	2,470	4	2,178	6,657	5,464	16,826
Southern California	FIRES	18	294	5	20	2,586	308	3,231
	ACRES	224	2,486	3	1,049	34,979	22,472	61,213
Northern Rockies	FIRES	421	66	6	7	343	385	1,228
	ACRES	3,697	25,448	141	7	5,956	26,473	61,722
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	27	480	1	10	427	337	1,282
	ACRES	2,034	247,111	26	6	60,103	22,727	332,007
Western Great Basin	FIRES	15	306	4	15	138	39	517
	ACRES	3,328	63,733	69	3	19,490	349	86,972
Southwest	FIRES	846	318	11	46	956	1,142	3,319
	ACRES	33,908	125,153	273	20,294	612,464	1,265,485	2,057,577
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	525	334	27	32	685	425	2,028
,	ACRES	6,892	10,092	3,502	2,278	275,423	67,712	365,899
Eastern Area	FIRES	340		27	18	3,831	216	4,432
	ACRES	355		2,612	99	25,583	14,086	42,735
Southern Area	FIRES	811		237	70	30,681	874	32,673
	ACRES	132,978		80,320	55,690	3,125,072	34,212	3,428,272
TOTAL	FIRES	3,265	2,035	359	286	41,834	4,533	52,312
	ACRES	187,204	581,298	123,860	89,648	4,372,142	1,460,229	6,814,381

Ten Year Average Fires	57,194
Ten Year Average Acres	5,633,047

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# Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
A1 1	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES				I			0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES	-						0
Coulthursont	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
<b>F</b> / <b>A</b>	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES	-						0
Couthorn Area	FIRES	1						0
Southern Area	ACRES	-						0
τοται	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	3	12		16
	ACRES			20	35	8,513		8,568
Northwest	FIRES	8	44	7	1		122	182
	ACRES	5,268	6,885	429	42		8,661	21,285
Northern California	FIRES	15	16	21	21		141	214
	ACRES	61	655	19,513	141		5,389	25,759
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	4	15	75	114
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,060	1,960	2,090	7,829
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	14	43	1	16	96	207
	ACRES	1,321	893	8,286	141	211	6,610	17,462
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	17	3	2	35	26	83
	ACRES	54	8,572	1,023	678	712	7,038	18,077
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	9	16
	ACRES		121	550		64	296	1,031
Southwest	FIRES	18	29	3	4		88	142
	ACRES	1,725	192,296	1,428	46		73,234	268,729
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	38	33	96	17	45	121	350
	ACRES	4,711	5,597	14,339	4,703	8,554	30,247	68,151
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		348	32	844	131	1,385
	ACRES	60,283		47,440	3,898	49,649	39,282	200,552
Southern Area	FIRES	42		140	20	1,434	556	2,192
	ACRES	7,835		74,269	13,528	305,224	454,283	855,139
TOTAL	FIRES	188	167	673	105	2,403	1,365	4,901
	ACRES	81,258	215,775	169,260	24,272	374,887	627,130	1,492,582

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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	0	0	480	11,829
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	53	39,746
ALBERTA	3	1	961	940,042
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	203	368,277
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	256	339,942
MANITOBA	1	2	262	84,305
ONTARIO	15	9	1,040	624,841
QUEBEC	1	0	265	12,423
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	45	352
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	70	39
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	112	132
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	56	84,924
TOTALS	20	12	3,804	2,506,852

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