

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, September 29, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (49 new fires)
New large fires:	0 (*)
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires: **	8
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

Nationally, there are 77 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.

Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve), and two MAFFS from the 153rd Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard) and support personnel have been activated and are operating from Austin, Texas.

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	4
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	5
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1

A NIMO (Kleinman) and an IMT 1 (Quesinberry) are assigned to provide support to existing and new fires in Texas.

Bastrop County Complex (two fires), Texas Forest Service. Six miles northeast of Bastrop, TX. Southern rough. Creeping and smoldering.

Shackelford, Texas Forest Service. Fifty-five miles southwest of Sanderson, TX. Grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

South 104, Texas Forest Service. Previously reported incident. Eleven miles southwest of Quanah, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior.

Mitchell 3, Texas Forest Service. Thirty-four miles southwest of Ozona, TX. 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
Bastrop County Complex	TX	TXS	34,068	0	98	UNK	46	0	0	7	2	1,633	8M	ST
Shackelford	TX	TXS	3,000	---	0	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
South 104	TX	TXS	2,500	---	50	UNK	66	---	0	9	0	0	NR	ST
Mitchell 3	TX	TXS	580	20	75	UNK	52	0	1	5	1	0	NR	ST

Eastern Area (PL 2)

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

Pagami Creek, Superior NF. IMT 1 (Turman). Thirteen miles northeast of Ely, MN. Timber and grass. Minimal fire activity. Evacuations 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
Pagami Creek	MN	SUF	93,459	0	64	UNK	663	-45	15	4	4	2	12.1M	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 9
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Salt, Salmon-Challis NF. Sixteen miles southwest of Salmon, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior.

Nowlin, Bridger-Teton NF. Previously reported incident. Nineteen miles northeast of Moran, WY. Timber. No further information received. 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
Salt	ID	SCF	21,770	103	20	UNK	32	0	0	6	0	0	14.2M	FS
Nowlin	WY	BTF	4,425	---	N/A	N/A	1	---	0	0	0	0	66K	FS

Northwest Area (PL 2)

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

Dollar Lake, Mt. Hood NF. Sixteen miles south of Hood River, OR. Timber. 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
Dollar Lake	OR	MHF	6,304	---	90	10/15	86	---	3	3	2	0	15M	FS

Northern California Area (PL 1)

New fires: 14
 New large fires: 0
 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
Ruth	CA	SRF	1,460	7	100	---	549	-92	13	19	1	31	3.4M	FS

SRF – Six Rivers NF

Predictive Services Discussion: Above normal temperatures will continue over the West while mild fall conditions spread through the Plains states. A cold front stretching from the Midwest to north Texas will produce scattered showers and thunderstorms over the Great Lakes region, the Ohio Valley and New England. Warm, humid conditions will cover the Southeast.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Miscellaneous Category.

Radio Narrow banding

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- Federal Agencies have been congressionally mandated to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrow banded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 Mhz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrow banded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at www.fireradios.net
Another website that has programming instructions as well as pocket cards that can be printed is: www.fs.fed.us/fire/niicd/documents
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for yourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)

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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	3	1		1	7	2	14
	ACRES	0	3		1	7	1	12
Southern California	FIRES				0	15	0	15
	ACRES				86	7	10	103
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1				1	1	3
	ACRES	72				0	15	87
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5		1		3	9
	ACRES		131		0		979	1,110
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southwest	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						25	25
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1					0	1
	ACRES	0					523	523
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					2		2
Southern Area	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						1	1
TOTAL	FIRES	5	6	0	2	25	11	49
	ACRES	72	134	0	87	16	1,554	1,863

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	26	29	17	418	9	501
	ACRES	8	47,653	36,823	7,790	200,737	2	293,013
Northwest	FIRES	220	273	9	47	547	979	2,075
	ACRES	111,647	129,399	89	1,371	13,091	29,910	285,507
Northern California	FIRES	84	27	5	20	2,017	393	2,546
	ACRES	69	2,574	4	2,180	9,112	8,183	22,122
Southern California	FIRES	22	334	5	46	3,200	466	4,073
	ACRES	225	9,991	3	1,421	50,671	31,252	93,563
Northern Rockies	FIRES	485	77	6	27	512	674	1,781
	ACRES	26,852	56,868	141	1,131	12,695	79,781	177,468
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	32	627	2	23	557	506	1,747
	ACRES	2,267	260,096	26	621	86,424	70,014	419,448
Western Great Basin	FIRES	16	414	12	18	169	71	700
	ACRES	3,328	79,000	778	4	21,993	1,692	106,795
Southwest	FIRES	902	336	13	56	1,013	1,318	3,638
	ACRES	31,685	108,947	5,374	18,442	634,365	1,290,672	2,089,485
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	663	424	29	39	840	441	2,436
	ACRES	7,284	20,475	3,511	2,477	289,450	71,923	395,120
Eastern Area	FIRES	342		36	23	4,065	266	4,732
	ACRES	355		3,041	100	26,816	108,073	138,385
Southern Area	FIRES	821		254	79	33,963	964	36,081
	ACRES	130,908		121,294	56,037	3,356,918	35,475	3,700,632
TOTAL	FIRES	3,589	2,538	400	395	47,301	6,087	60,310
	ACRES	314,628	715,003	171,084	91,574	4,702,272	1,726,977	7,721,538

Ten Year Average Fires	64,303
Ten Year Average Acres	6,396,861

*** 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		2				2	4
	ACRES		2,050				365	2,415
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						29	29
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					4	15	19
Western Great Basin	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				70			70
Southwest	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						3,487	3,487
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0	1		1	1	3
	ACRES		325	100		25	210	660
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					62		62
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	1	1	4	11	19
	ACRES	0	2,375	100	70	91	4,106	6,742

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	3	11	3	18
	ACRES			20	35	8,476	271	8,802
Northwest	FIRES	8	51	13	1		130	203
	ACRES	5,268	10,688	669	42		9,422	26,089
Northern California	FIRES	15	19	23	22		141	220
	ACRES	61	655	19,577	149		5,389	25,831
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	5	15	75	115
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,231	2,260	2,090	8,300
Northern Rockies	FIRES	39	14	47	6	17	108	231
	ACRES	1,321	912	8,428	4,681	234	17,406	32,982
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	22	3	3	39	39	106
	ACRES	54	10,018	1,023	724	879	10,959	23,657
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	1	3	2	11	23
	ACRES		354	550	1,275	64	1,661	3,904
Southwest	FIRES	18	27	3	5		93	146
	ACRES	1,725	20,216	1,428	56		76,765	100,190
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	48	34	102	19	45	110	358
	ACRES	5,182	7,034	15,761	7,404	8,563	30,430	74,374
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		350	33	857	139	1,409
	ACRES	60,283		48,465	3,900	50,397	41,435	204,480
Southern Area	FIRES	42		142	24	1,445	575	2,228
	ACRES	7,835		74,469	13,997	306,033	465,059	867,393
TOTAL	FIRES	200	183	695	124	2,431	1,424	5,057
	ACRES	81,729	50,633	172,353	33,494	376,906	660,887	1,376,002

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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	3	3	540	11,946
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	53	39,746
ALBERTA	23	10	1,042	940,055
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	14	205	431,940
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	261	339,956
MANITOBA	0	0	269	84,309
ONTARIO	20	161	1,136	627,244
QUEBEC	1	0	274	12,423
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	5	48	407
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	71	39
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	115	133
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	61	84,664
TOTALS	48	192	4,076	2,572,865

*****CIFFC information updated weekly*****

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