

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, October 6, 2011 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (57 new fires)
New large fires:	4 (*)
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	12
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Nationally, there are 80 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.

The two MAFFS from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard) and support personnel operating from Austin, Texas, will be released today.

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

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

**Indian Creek**, Nevada DOF. IMT 2 (Whalen). IMT is also managing the Chukkar Canyon and Izzenhood incidents. Twenty miles northwest of Carlin, NV. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Chukkar Canyon**, Elko District, BLM. Thirty miles north of Carlin, NV. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Izzenhood**, Elko District, BLM. Twenty-six miles north of Battle Mountain, NV. Brush. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Burbank**, Carson City District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Kidd) back to local unit will occur today. Fifteen miles southeast of Gardnerville, NV. Brush. Smoldering. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Tom Basin**, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF. Seven miles north of Paradise Valley, NV. Brush. Minimal fire activity. 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
Indian Creek	NV	NNS	116,875	5,968	92	UNK	16	-250	0	1	0	9	1.4M	ST
Chukkar Canyon	NV	EKD	51,390	0	94	UNK	5	-104	0	0	0	0	248K	BLM
Izzenhood	NV	EKD	42,190	0	96	10/6	148	-231	1	7	1	0	1.4M	BLM
Burbank	NV	CCD	1,062	0	25	UNK	165	-88	1	7	6	2	1.7M	BLM
Tom Basin	NV	HTF	5,125	10	85	10/8	2	0	0	1	0	0	300K	FS

### **Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 16  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Great**, Monte Vista Unit, Cal Fire. Transfer of command from Cal Fire IMT 1 (Lewin) back to local unit will occur today. Twenty-six miles east of Rosemont, CA. Brush. Minimal fire activity. 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
Great	CA	MVU	2,135	0	95	10/6	379	-290	10	15	1	0	4.6M	ST

### **Southern Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 24  
New large fires: 2  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
NIMOs committed: 1  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

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

**Old Potato Road**, Texas Forest Service. Four miles northeast of Camp Swift, TX. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

\* **Flatrock**, Buffalo National River NP . Seven miles southwest of St. Joe, AR. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened. 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
Old Potato Road	TX	TXS	320	-580	50	UNK	51	-6	0	1	3	0	NR	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
* Flatrock	AR	BUP	1,100	---	N/A	N/A	18	---	0	3	0	0	5K	NPS
South 104	TX	TXS	3,700	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Sugarhill	OK	OKS	200	---	100	---	12	---	0	6	0	0	10K	ST

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### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 2  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Salt**, Salmon-Challis NF. Sixteen miles southwest of Salmon, ID. 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
Salt	ID	SCF	24,501	---	5	UNK	40	---	0	7	1	0	14.4M	FS

### Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 8  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Pagami Creek**, Superior NF. Minnesota IMT 2 (Peterson). Thirteen miles northeast of Ely, MN. Timber 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
Pagami Creek	MN	SUF	92,682	0	71	UNK	436	-27	11	3	5	2	15.7M	FS

### Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

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

\* **Okreek**, Rosebud Agency, BIA. One mile west of Carter, SD. Brush and grass. Evacuations in effect. No further information received.

\* **Harvest CA**, Nebraska DOF. Five miles south of Stapleton, NE. Grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. 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
* Okreek	SD	RBA	15,000	---	0	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BIA
* Harvest CA	NE	NES	7,000	---	0	10/6	104	---	0	52	0	1	NR	ST

### **Northwest Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 2  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Murderers Creek**, Prineville District, BLM. Ten miles south of Dayville, OR. Timber, juniper, brush and grass. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over portions of the fire area yesterday. 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
Murderers Creek	OR	PRD	1,085	-35	60	10/12	71	-186	3	0	2	0	838K	BLM

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A cold front will push through the Rockies. Areas of rain with snow at higher elevations will move across the Great Basin and the Rockies. Showers and thunderstorms will develop ahead of the front across the central and northern Plains. Strong winds will continue through the Plains from Texas to Minnesota. High pressure will keep fair and mild conditions over the eastern half of the country.

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



Today's discussion is from the  
Miscellaneous Category.

## ASH PIT HAZARDS

Ash pits are an inherent and hidden risk to wildland firefighters that can cause severe burns and injuries. Ash pits are created when a ground fire consumes underground fuels creating an empty space that is imperceptible from the surface.

- Environmental factors that increase the risk of ash pit formation after a wildfire:
  - Extensive root systems of trees and shrubs.
  - Deep duff or peat, the organic layer covering mineral soil.
  - Landscapes that have once been cultivated or manipulated by heavy equipment, old dozer piles, sawmills, timber sale yards or decking areas.
  - Small rodent holes that have become filled with decadent combustible debris, beaver holes near dams and stream beds, badger and coyote dens.
  - White ash is sometimes an indicator of ash pits as are swarms of hovering insects.
  - With the sun behind the suspected ash pit, look for small nearly translucent smokes that dissipate quickly above the ground.
  - Ash pits often give off the smell of incomplete combustion or of creosote burning.
  
- Mitigation measures to consider:
  - Identification of high risk landscape.
  - Identify and flag all hazardous discovered ash pits.

Resources: [Safety Advisory: Ash Pit Safety](#), Risk Management Committee 2010

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					9	7	16
	ACRES					0	2	2
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1		1	0		2
	ACRES		251		0	101		352
Western Great Basin	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					5,968		5,968
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0			1	0	1
	ACRES		656			0	20	676
Eastern Area	FIRES	4				2	2	8
	ACRES	5				3	2	10
Southern Area	FIRES					23	1	24
	ACRES					89	30	119
TOTAL	FIRES	4	1	0	1	37	14	57
	ACRES	5	907	0	0	6,162	54	7,128

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	27	29	17	427	3	505
	ACRES	8	47,653	36,823	7,790	200,741	1	293,016
Northwest	FIRES	222	276	9	47	554	1,034	2,142
	ACRES	111,647	132,669	89	1,321	14,838	25,852	286,416
Northern California	FIRES	86	31	6	20	2,091	407	2,641
	ACRES	70	2,624	5	2,180	9,245	8,669	22,793
Southern California	FIRES	23	360	5	47	3,275	495	4,205
	ACRES	225	13,782	3	2,216	50,803	31,789	98,818
Northern Rockies	FIRES	492	77	7	28	538	690	1,832
	ACRES	28,917	56,868	174	1,131	15,479	82,646	185,215
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	32	647	2	24	574	517	1,796
	ACRES	2,267	275,379	26	621	105,605	75,061	458,959
Western Great Basin	FIRES	17	483	12	18	191	77	798
	ACRES	3,343	294,200	778	4	176,150	6,374	480,849
Southwest	FIRES	908	345	13	56	1,024	1,342	3,688
	ACRES	31,590	115,742	5,374	18,442	638,235	1,291,389	2,100,772
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	700	434	29	40	854	448	2,505
	ACRES	7,380	24,331	3,511	2,478	299,008	72,531	409,239
Eastern Area	FIRES	350		41	23	4,210	270	4,894
	ACRES	368		3,057	100	27,081	108,075	138,681
Southern Area	FIRES	864		254	79	34,259	981	36,437
	ACRES	135,783		121,294	56,037	3,364,156	35,779	3,713,049
TOTAL	FIRES	3,696	2,680	407	399	47,997	6,264	61,443
	ACRES	321,598	963,248	171,134	92,320	4,901,341	1,738,166	8,187,807

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>64,992</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,483,937</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		1				3	4
	ACRES		20				213	233
Northern California	FIRES				1		13	14
	ACRES				1		194	195
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	9	10
	ACRES					12	1,710	1,722
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1,668	1,668
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					66		66
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1,334	1,334
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	1	2	31	35
	ACRES	0	20	0	1	78	5,119	5,218



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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	3	13	5	22
	ACRES			20	35	8,548	451	9,054
Northwest	FIRES	8	53	17	1		158	237
	ACRES	5,268	13,009	847	42		22,075	41,241
Northern California	FIRES	18	19	24	24		162	247
	ACRES	120	655	19,579	150		5,841	26,345
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	7	15	78	120
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,593	2,260	2,312	8,884
Northern Rockies	FIRES	39	20	53	6	28	176	322
	ACRES	1,321	2,245	8,788	4,681	405	30,676	48,116
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	22	3	4	39	48	116
	ACRES	54	10,018	1,023	769	879	19,373	32,116
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	1	8	2	11	28
	ACRES		569	550	1,420	64	1,661	4,264
Southwest	FIRES	18	28	3	7		82	138
	ACRES	2,075	20,251	1,428	356		78,222	102,332
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	55	34	102	20	47	109	367
	ACRES	6,152	7,034	15,861	7,454	8,683	32,719	77,903
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		351	33	857	140	1,411
	ACRES	60,283		49,598	3,900	50,397	41,467	205,645
Southern Area	FIRES	42		143	24	1,445	583	2,237
	ACRES	7,835		74,544	13,997	306,033	468,019	870,428
TOTAL	FIRES	210	192	708	137	2,446	1,552	5,245
	ACRES	83,108	54,537	174,201	34,397	377,269	702,816	1,426,328

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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\*\*\***

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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