

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, October 12, 2011 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (60 new fires)  
 New large fires: 1 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 2  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Nationally, there are 60 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.

**Eastern Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 6  
 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 with single tree torching.

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	85	UNK	452	-31	14	4	6	2	19M	FS
Juneberry 3	MN	MNS	31,216	0	100	---	192	-4	4	12	0	0	1.1M	ST

MNS - Minnesota DNR

**Southern Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 37  
 New large fires: 1  
 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.





Today's discussion is from the  
Fireline Safety Category.

## DOZER/TRACTOR PLOW OPERATIONS

Dozers/tractor plows provide suppression and support capability for fire operations. When working on or around dozers on the fireline, it is important to respect the following guidelines:

- Load/unload equipment from the transport in a safe manner on a level, stable surface.
- Park transport in an area free of fuel. Clear an area if needed to protect parked equipment.
- Do not sit or bed down near equipment. Walk around the equipment before starting or moving it.
- Lower the dozer blade and/or fire plow to the ground when the equipment is idling or stopped.
- When working a dozer or tractor plow, stay at least 100 feet in front or 50 feet behind the equipment.
- Allow no one but the operator to ride on the equipment.
- Never get on or off equipment while it is moving.
- Provide front and rear lights for equipment working at night or in heavy smoke.
- Provide lights and fluorescent vests to personnel working with dozer/tractor plow units.
- Use hand signals for direction and safety. (See Fireline Handbook Appendix A or IRPG pg 91, for hand signals.)
- Do not use a dozer or tractor plow without a canopy or brush guard and radio communications.
- Operators will wear required PPE and carry a fire shelter.
- Be aware of different fuel types, rates of spread, and flammability.
- Watch for wetlands, steep slopes, rocks, ditches, and other obstacles that might stop the equipment.
- Do not get too far ahead of a firing crew during firing operations.
- Anchor the line to a secure firebreak and create a black line (burn out) until the fire is completely enclosed.
- Tractor plow operators should wear headgear protection for head, face, eyes, and ears while also providing radio reception and ventilation capabilities.
- Tractor plow crews should consist of a minimum of two people.
- When the dozer or tractor plow is equipped with a hand-clutch lever, always take equipment out of gear when mounting and dismounting.

### References:

[Safety and Occupational Health Manual Handbook, BLM--1112-1](#)  
[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							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					8	7	15
	ACRES					0	0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Eastern Area	FIRES					5	1	6
	ACRES					95	0	95
Southern Area	FIRES					37		37
	ACRES					168		168
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	50	9	60
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	263	0	263

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	27	29	17	428	9	512
	ACRES	8	47,653	36,823	7,790	200,741	3	293,018
Northwest	FIRES	222	281	9	45	576	1,045	2,178
	ACRES	111,647	134,147	89	1,216	14,814	27,098	289,011
Northern California	FIRES	86	31	6	20	2,118	407	2,668
	ACRES	70	2,624	5	2,180	9,332	8,672	22,883
Southern California	FIRES	23	360	5	47	3,310	503	4,248
	ACRES	225	13,782	3	2,216	52,956	31,798	100,980
Northern Rockies	FIRES	509	77	7	28	535	662	1,818
	ACRES	28,979	56,868	174	1,131	15,467	86,835	189,454
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	32	651	2	24	544	510	1,763
	ACRES	2,267	275,871	26	621	95,898	77,131	451,814
Western Great Basin	FIRES	17	485	13	18	191	77	801
	ACRES	3,343	314,294	778	4	176,150	6,816	501,385
Southwest	FIRES	910	345	13	56	1,024	1,346	3,694
	ACRES	31,590	115,742	5,374	18,442	638,235	1,291,390	2,100,773
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	722	433	32	40	862	515	2,604
	ACRES	24,763	24,325	2,578	2,490	320,440	76,764	451,360
Eastern Area	FIRES	350		34	23	4,394	282	5,083
	ACRES	368		2,856	100	59,836	108,081	171,241
Southern Area	FIRES	869		258	81	34,593	993	36,794
	ACRES	135,858		121,294	57,147	3,366,414	35,714	3,716,427
TOTAL	FIRES	3,742	2,690	408	399	48,575	6,349	62,163
	ACRES	339,118	985,306	170,000	93,337	4,950,283	1,750,302	8,288,346

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>64,734</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,487,163</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	2	1				13	16
	ACRES	106	221				1,119	1,446
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						20	20
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	5	7
	ACRES					52	202	254
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						17	17
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						75	75
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					30		30
TOTAL	FIRES	2	1	0	0	3	20	26
	ACRES	106	221	0	0	82	1,433	1,842

### 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	10	52	19	1		208	290
	ACRES	5,374	13,274	863	42		25,436	44,989
Northern California	FIRES	19	19	24	27		181	270
	ACRES	120	655	19,579	169		6,220	26,743
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	6	15	79	120
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,617	2,260	2,795	9,391
Northern Rockies	FIRES	39	20	53	6	32	192	342
	ACRES	1,321	2,245	8,788	4,681	1,207	28,294	46,536
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	18	3	4	33	58	116
	ACRES	54	9,800	1,023	782	860	17,242	29,761
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	1	8	2	11	28
	ACRES		569	550	2,574	64	1,661	5,418
Southwest	FIRES	18	29	3	7		86	143
	ACRES	2,075	20,286	1,428	356		78,347	102,492
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	55	34	102	20	48	110	369
	ACRES	6,152	7,034	15,861	7,454	8,749	32,744	77,994
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		359	33	863	142	1,427
	ACRES	60,283		49,825	3,900	51,522	41,624	207,154
Southern Area	FIRES	42		143	24	1,446	591	2,246
	ACRES	7,835		74,544	13,997	306,063	471,170	873,609
TOTAL	FIRES	213	188	718	139	2,452	1,663	5,373
	ACRES	83,214	54,619	174,444	35,607	379,273	705,984	1,433,141

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Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>.

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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