

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, October 13, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (50 new fires)
 New large fires: 0 (*)
 Large fires contained: 0
 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 59 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: 24
 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. 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
Pagami Creek	MN	SUF	92,682	0	87	UNK	470	18	15	4	6	2	19.7M	FS

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires: 9
 New large fires: 0
 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.

Dormitory, Okmulgee Field Office. One mile west of Eufaula, OK. Hardwood litter. No new information.

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Dormitory	OK	OMA	350	---	95	UNK	3	---	0	1	0	0	10K	BIA

Predictive Services Discussion: High pressure over the western half of the US will keep cool and dry conditions in place from the West coast to the Mississippi Valley. A cold front stretching from the Great Lakes to the Florida panhandle will bring scattered rain and a few thunderstorms to much of the upper Midwest, the Ohio Valley and the East coast states from Maine to Georgia.

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



Today's discussion is from the Miscellaneous Category.

HAZARD MITIGATION THROUGH RISK MANAGEMENT

“Risk Management doesn’t get in the way of doing the mission – *it is the way we do the mission.*” The Risk Management Process assists in ensuring that critical factors and risks of the fireline work environment are considered during decision making. Good risk management utilizes a five-step process:

● Step 1—Situational Awareness:

- Obtain information.
- Scout the fire.
- Identify hazards—those likely to result in a negative impact.
- Consider all aspects of current and future situations.
- Consider known historical problem areas (Apply information from the Fire Danger Pocket Card.).
- Recognize the need for action.
- Demonstrate ongoing awareness of fire assignment status.
- Note deviations.
- Attempt to determine why discrepancies exist with information before proceeding.

● Step 2—Hazard Assessment:

- Assess hazards to determine risks (e.g., fire behavior, snags, unburned fuels, work/rest).
- Use the Look Up, Down, and Around; and the Tactical Watch Outs (both located in the Incident Response Pocket Guide) to identify high-risk tactical hazards.
- Assess the impact of each hazard in terms of potential loss, cost, and mission/operational degradation based on probability and severity (probability—how likely an event will occur; severity—consequences if the event occurs). Keep in mind that increased exposure time increases probability.

● Step 3—Hazard Control:

- Determine the best approach to mitigate or control the risk from the hazards assessed.

- Establish controls (e.g., anchor point, LCES, utilize downhill checklist, limit exposure time).
- As control measures are developed, reevaluate each risk until it is reduced to a level where benefits outweigh potential costs.

● Step 4—Decision Point (decision to accept or not accept the risk(s) associated with an action):

- Consider whether controls are in place for identified hazards, whether selected tactics are based on expected fire behavior and if instructions have been given and understood.
- Make certain the decision is made at the appropriate level; if not, then elevate to a higher level.
- Reject the action if the risk is unacceptable.

● Step 5—Evaluation:

- Ensure controls are implemented and accomplished to standards.
- Supervise/evaluate effectiveness of controls and decisions. Stay on top of the situation and adjust risk controls as necessary.
- Anticipate consequences of decisions; if controls do not work, determine problem and derive a better solution.
- Adjust actions as the situation changes; maintain situational awareness at all times.
- Maintain feedback line.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#) page 1

[NWCG Human Factors on the Fireline Training](#) (L-180)

[Safety and Occupational Health Manual Handbook, BLM-1112-1](#)

Division Supervisor Course Guide--S-339, NWCG

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Northern California	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					0	0	0
Southern California	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					0		0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		0				0	0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Area	FIRES					24		24
	ACRES					58		58
Southern Area	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					43		43
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	0	0	44	4	50
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	101	1	103

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	223	284	9	45	576	1,052	2,189
	ACRES	111,647	133,071	89	1,216	15,067	27,743	288,833
Northern California	FIRES	86	31	6	20	2,118	408	2,669
	ACRES	70	2,624	5	2,180	9,332	8,672	22,883
Southern California	FIRES	23	360	5	47	3,319	503	4,257
	ACRES	225	13,782	3	2,216	52,956	31,798	100,980
Northern Rockies	FIRES	509	77	7	28	535	683	1,839
	ACRES	28,979	56,868	174	1,131	15,467	88,581	191,200
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	32	651	2	24	544	518	1,771
	ACRES	2,267	275,871	26	621	95,898	77,155	451,838
Western Great Basin	FIRES	17	486	13	18	191	78	803
	ACRES	3,343	314,294	778	4	176,150	6,816	501,385
Southwest	FIRES	910	346	13	56	1,024	1,346	3,695
	ACRES	31,590	115,742	5,374	18,442	638,235	1,291,390	2,100,773
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	730	433	33	40	862	516	2,614
	ACRES	24,900	24,325	2,598	2,490	320,440	76,765	451,518
Eastern Area	FIRES	350		34	23	4,411	282	5,100
	ACRES	368		2,856	100	59,838	108,081	171,243
Southern Area	FIRES	869		258	81	34,600	993	36,801
	ACRES	135,858		121,703	57,147	3,366,450	35,714	3,716,872
TOTAL	FIRES	3,751	2,695	409	399	48,608	6,388	62,250
	ACRES	339,255	984,230	170,429	93,337	4,950,574	1,752,718	8,290,543

Ten Year Average Fires	64,846
Ten Year Average Acres	6,497,240

*** 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					20	21
	ACRES	40					860	900
Northern California	FIRES			1	1		2	4
	ACRES			3	67		237	307
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						8	8
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	4	6
	ACRES					48	101	149
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						200	200
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		0				1	1
Eastern Area	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					941		941
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	1	1	9	27	40
	ACRES	40	0	3	67	989	1,407	2,506

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	11	52	19	1		219	302
	ACRES	5,414	13,274	863	42		25,601	45,194
Northern California	FIRES	19	19	25	28		183	274
	ACRES	120	655	19,582	236		6,894	27,487
Southern California	FIRES		10	10	6	15	79	120
	ACRES		756	1,963	1,617	2,260	2,803	9,399
Northern Rockies	FIRES	39	21	60	6	43	198	367
	ACRES	1,321	2,774	9,883	4,681	1,456	28,305	48,420
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		78,547	102,692
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	55	35	102	20	48	111	371
	ACRES	6,152	7,034	15,861	7,454	8,749	32,745	77,995
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	689	2,344
	ACRES	7,835		74,544	13,997	306,063	579,599	982,038
TOTAL	FIRES	214	190	726	140	2,463	1,781	5,514
	ACRES	83,254	55,148	175,542	35,674	379,522	815,472	1,544,612

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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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