

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, December 9, 2011 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)**

Initial attack activity: Light (234 new fires)  
 New large fires: 3 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 5  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 0  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are no 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.

**Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 24  
 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
TCU December Wind Event	CA	TCU	465	---	100	---	80	---	3	3	0	0	1M	ST

TCU – Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit Cal Fire

**Northern California Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 92  
 New large fires: 1  
 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
ENF Wind Complex	CA	ENF	541	---	100	---	96	-168	2	5	0	0	1.2M	FS
* El Dorado Complex	CA	AEU	132	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	3	495K	ST

ENF – Eldorado NF      AEU – Amador-El Dorado Unit Cal Fire

**Eastern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 15  
 New large fires: 1  
 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
* Neal WMA	MN	MNS	1,000	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI

MNS – Minnesota DOF

**Southern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 94  
 New large fires: 1  
 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
* Pasture Road	FL	FLS	579	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

FLS – Florida Forest Service

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Windy conditions are expected over Southern California while the rest of the western half of the country remains dry. Heavy lake effect snows will be possible along the eastern shores of the Great Lakes States. Cold temperatures can be expected in the Northern Plains.

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



Today's discussion is from the  
Aviation Category.



Scenarios are situations that can arise on a Wildland Fire or Aviation incident and are meant to add a realistic setting for the application of Today's Safety Discussion.

### WORKING WITH HELICOPTER DROPS

Consider the following questions when you have a helicopter with a bucket working in your area:

If the helicopter is a Type 1 increase the distance of standby place from the drop zone. Use helicopter drops to knock down or secure a fire area that poses a direct imminent threat to escaping control lines or climbing up ladder fuels.

- Do you have good communications?
- Does the pilot have a clear understanding of the target?
- Are trees and snags in the drop zone?
- Are ground crews clear of the area?
- What are the winds doing?
- What is the turnaround time for the helicopter?
  
- Are people on the ground aware of the effects of the helicopter's rotorwash?
- Give feedback to the pilot about drop accuracy. Be honest and constructive.
- Be aware that helicopter performance capabilities may be significantly reduced at high altitudes and/or high temperatures.

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### Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES					86	6	92
	ACRES					306	175	481
Southern California	FIRES		2		1	10	11	24
	ACRES		3		0	0	119	122
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	1					0	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6						6
	ACRES	4						4
Eastern Area	FIRES					14	1	15
	ACRES					1,136	0	1,136
Southern Area	FIRES			1		87	6	94
	ACRES			1		879	74	954
TOTAL	FIRES	7	2	1	1	198	25	234
	ACRES	5	3	1	0	2,321	368	2,698

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	26	30	17	431	9	515
	ACRES	8	42,087	36,823	7,790	206,307	3	293,018
Northwest	FIRES	245	264	10	47	578	940	2,084
	ACRES	111,743	146,291	90	1,216	15,086	26,836	301,262
Northern California	FIRES	111	32	6	20	2,351	446	2,966
	ACRES	93	2,631	5	2,180	10,045	8,848	23,802
Southern California	FIRES	26	389	7	50	3,685	560	4,717
	ACRES	225	13,875	4	2,217	55,825	37,038	109,184
Northern Rockies	FIRES	626	89	8	27	523	656	1,929
	ACRES	30,837	57,154	494	1,131	15,948	88,235	193,799
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	33	671	2	26	603	533	1,868
	ACRES	2,269	275,958	26	567	105,977	77,402	462,199
Western Great Basin	FIRES	17	489	13	18	188	81	806
	ACRES	3,343	283,950	778	4	135,602	6,866	430,543
Southwest	FIRES	919	351	14	56	1,061	1,361	3,762
	ACRES	49,975	111,731	5,374	18,462	826,944	1,299,830	2,312,316
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	828	445	33	41	935	531	2,813
	ACRES	25,398	24,012	2,598	2,491	330,371	74,842	459,712
Eastern Area	FIRES	454		35	23	5,090	319	5,921
	ACRES	1,016		3,166	100	63,596	113,741	181,619
Southern Area	FIRES	936		267	88	37,319	1,067	39,677
	ACRES	138,611		121,923	57,221	3,396,040	36,833	3,750,628
TOTAL	FIRES	4,197	2,756	425	413	52,764	6,503	67,058
	ACRES	363,518	957,689	171,281	93,379	5,161,741	1,770,474	8,518,082

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>74,004</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>7,256,669</b>

\*\*\* Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		2				79	81
	ACRES		50				7,319	7,369
Northern California	FIRES	2					1	3
	ACRES	13					1,134	1,147
Southern California	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		2				32	34
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	0	1
	ACRES					137	20	157
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						20	20
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES		30	7	8	140	358	543
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0	1	4		9	14
	ACRES		39	25	27		2,938	3,029
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				1	15	8	24
	ACRES				4,500	6,678	6,622	17,800
TOTAL	FIRES	2	3	1	5	17	103	131
	ACRES	13	121	32	4,535	6,955	18,443	30,099

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	3	11	5	20
	ACRES			20	35	8,476	451	8,982
Northwest	FIRES	24	201	26	1		545	797
	ACRES	8,390	22,984	1,878	1,166		55,917	90,335
Northern California	FIRES	34	20	28	41		306	429
	ACRES	370	977	22,425	1,157		20,319	45,248
Southern California	FIRES	1	11	17	10	15	128	182
	ACRES	49	758	3,997	1,868	2,260	4,395	13,327
Northern Rockies	FIRES	48	26	68	11	185	375	713
	ACRES	2,444	3,670	11,308	4,777	8,372	37,743	68,314
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	33	4	7	57	96	197
	ACRES	54	10,398	1,123	188	1,739	21,977	35,479
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	1	8	2	13	30
	ACRES		569	550	2,574	64	1,851	5,608
Southwest	FIRES	25	31	4	17	4	152	233
	ACRES	18,264	21,691	1,560	4,738	305	91,665	138,223
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	88	44	113	32	86	186	549
	ACRES	8,282	7,627	17,288	7,691	15,806	46,924	103,618
Eastern Area	FIRES	30		374	40	1,248	157	1,849
	ACRES	60,283		50,464	4,153	68,212	43,845	226,957
Southern Area	FIRES	42		152	32	1,491	732	2,449
	ACRES	7,835		77,635	42,557	319,410	599,146	1,046,583
TOTAL	FIRES	292	372	788	202	3,099	2,695	7,448
	ACRES	105,971	68,674	188,248	70,904	424,644	924,233	1,782,674

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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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