# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Wednesday, October 10, 2012 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 2

#### **National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (98 new fires)

New large fires: 3 (\*)
Large fires contained: 1
Uncontained large fires: \*\* 18
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
Type 2 IMTs committed: 5

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

#### Northwest Area (PL 2)

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

**St. Marys Mission Road**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Johnson). Three miles southwest of Omak, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Powerline #2**, South Puget Sound Region, Washington DNR. Two miles northeast of Shelton, WA. Timber and grass. Smoldering.

**Wenatchee Complex** (5 fires), Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Two miles west of Wenatchee, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Numerous residences threatened. No further information received.

**Cascade Creek**, Gifford Pinchot NF. Eight miles north of Trout Lake, WA. Timber. Smoldering with interior torching.

\* **Radio**, Colville NF. Two miles southwest of Laurier, WA. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with single tree torching. 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
St. Marys Mission Road	WA	COA	16,853	0	75	UNK	433	-158	10	32	6	10	3.6M	BIA
Powerline #2	WA	SPS	229	0	93	10/11	103	-113	5	7	0	0	734K	ST
Wenatchee Complex	WA	OWF	56,478	0	70	12/1	178	-85	4	12	2	1	31.3M	FS
Cascade Creek	WA	GPF	20,038	0	75	UNK	206	-23	4	9	4	0	14M	FS
* Radio	WA	COF	150		N/A	N/A	13		1	0	0	0	710K	FS

<sup>\*\*</sup> Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

#### Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**McGuire Complex** (2 fires), Nez Perce NF. One mile northwest of Dixie, ID. Timber. No new information.

**Sheep**, Nez Perce NF. IMT 2 (Kusicko). One mile east of Lucile, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with group tree torching. Structures threatened.

Condon Mountain, Flathead NF. Three miles northeast of Condon, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

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
McGuire Complex	ID	NPF	80,748		50	UNK	355		5	19	3	0	24M	FS
Sheep	ID	NPF	48,526	119	65	UNK	197	-15	3	5	3	2	16.7M	FS
Condon Mountain	МТ	FNF	5,500	0	50	10/31	46	-6	2	1	1	0	6.9M	FS

#### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

**Mustang Complex** (6 fires), Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Whalen). Three miles northwest of North Fork, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

Wesley, Payette NF. Twelve miles northwest of New Meadows, ID. Timber. Backing fire with torching.

\* **Rocky Canyon**, Fort Hall Agency, BIA. Sixteen miles northeast of Inkom, ID. Brush. Creeping and smoldering.

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
Mustang Complex	ID	SCF	340,659	0	N/A	N/A	76	0	2	4	1	7	38.3M	FS
Wesley	ID	PAF	15,324	40	62	11/1	57	-50	1	3	2	0	14.6M	FS
* Rocky Canyon	ID	FHA	871		60	10/10	67		2	3	1	0	100K	BIA
MM86 Westbound 184	ID	BOD	1,747	747	100		17	-35	0	2	0	0	75K	BLM

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#### Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	0
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

**North Minnie**, Minnesota DNR. IMT 2 (Kollmeyer). Five miles northeast of Fourtown, MN. Timber, brush, grass and peat. Smoldering.

**Wannaska Complex** (2 fires), Minnesota DNR. IMT 2 (Aultman). Ten miles northwest of Lancaster, MN. Timber, brush and peat. 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
North Minnie	MN	MNS	24,840	0	35	11/1	188	24	4	21	1	0	709K	ST
Wannaska Complex	MN	MNS	7,068	0	97	10/13	117	-12	3	10	0	52	1.8M	ST

## **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)**

New fires:4New large fires:1Uncontained large fires:1

<sup>\*</sup> **Fern Lake**, Rocky Mountain NP. Three miles west of Estes Park, CO. Timber. Running and spotting. Evacuations and area closures 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
* Fern Lake	СО	RMP	300		0	11/17	98		3	8	0	0	10K	NPS

#### **Other Fires**

(As of October 5)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	2	53,144	0	0	0	0
NW	6	82,185	3	16	4	220
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	1	1,638	1	0	0	16
NR	24	139,387	3	11	0	181
EB	7	433,798	1	7	1	90
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	1	176	0	5	0	0
RM	2	46,441	0	5	1	30
EA	4	2,338	0	55	4	176
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	47	759,107	8	99	10	713

This table does not include fires reported in the large fire section of this report. <u>Updated weekly.</u>

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Scattered snow showers will continue in the upper Midwest and across New England. Scattered showers will also develop across parts of southern California and the southern Great Basin. Otherwise, the nation will remain dry with slowly warming conditions in the West and cool weather in the East.

http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.html



# Today's discussion is from the Wildland / Urban Interface Category.

#### Wildland Urban Interface Hazards

Firefighters in the wildland urban interface may encounter hazards other than the fire itself, such as hazardous materials, utility lines and poor access.

#### Hazardous Materials

Common chemicals used around the home may be a direct hazard to firefighters from
flammability, explosion potential and/or vapors or off-gassing. Such chemicals include paint,
varnish and other flammable liquids; fertilizer; pesticides; cleansers; aerosol cans, fireworks,
batteries and ammunition. In addition, some common household products such as plastics may
give off very toxic fumes when they burn. Stay OUT of the smoke from burning structures and
any unknown sources such as trash piles.

#### Illicit Activities

• Marijuana plantations or drug production labs may be found in wildland urban interface areas. Extremely hazardous materials such as propane tanks and flammable/toxic chemicals may be encountered, as well as booby traps.

#### Propane tanks

Both large (household size) and small (gas grill size) liquefied propane gas (LPG) tanks can
present hazards to firefighters, including explosion. See the "LPG Tank Hazards" discussion for
details.

#### Utility lines

• Utility lines may be located above and below ground and may be cut or damaged by tools or equipment. Don't spray water on utility lines or boxes.

#### Septic tanks and fields

 Below-ground structures may not be readily apparent and may not support the weight of engines or other apparatus.

#### New construction materials

Many new construction materials have comparatively low melting points and may "off-gas"
extremely hazardous vapors. Plastic decking materials that resemble wood are becoming more
common and may begin softening and losing structural strength at 180° F, though they normally
do not sustain combustion once direct flame is removed. However, if they continue to burn they
exhibit the characteristics of flammable liquids.

#### Pets and livestock

 Pets and livestock may be left when residents evacuate and will likely be highly stressed, making them more inclined to bite and kick. Firefighters should not put themselves at risk to rescue pets or livestock.

#### Evacuation occurring

Firefighters may be taking structural protection actions while evacuations of residents are
occurring. Be very cautious of people driving erratically. Distraught residents may refuse to leave
their property, and firefighters may need to disengage from fighting fire to contact law
enforcement officers for assistance. In most jurisdictions firefighters do not have the authority to
force evacuations. Firefighters should not put themselves at risk trying to protect someone who
will not evacuate!

#### Limited access

• Narrow one-lane roads with no turn-around room, inadequate or poorly maintained bridges and culverts are frequently found in wildland urban interface areas. Access should be sized-up and an evacuation plan for all emergency personnel should be developed.

# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES					1		1
Alaska	ACRES					0		0
	FIRES		1					1
Northwest	ACRES		1					1
	FIRES	3	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		9	2	14
Northern California								
	ACRES	6				207	1	214
Southern California	FIRES	2				58	1	61
Journal Gamerina	ACRES	4				5,254	19	5,277
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	1	3
Notthern Nockies	ACRES					1	202	203
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	2			2	3	8
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	817	39			42	40	938
	FIRES	Ì				1		1
Western Great Basin	ACRES					0		0
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Southwest	ACRES							0
Daalaanataia	FIRES	2			1		1	4
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	1			300		45	346
	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
1	FIRES					5		5
Southern Area	ACRES					4		4
	FIRES	8	3	0	1		8	
TOTAL								
	ACRES	828	40	0	300	5,508	307	6,983

## Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	4	39	30	21	295	5	394
Alaska Northwest Northern California Southern California Northern Rockies Eastern Great Basin Western Great Basin Southwest Rocky Mountain Eastern Area	ACRES	164	51,289	39,629	72,948	102,249	0	266,279
	FIRES	129	222	28	29	848	911	2,167
Northwest	ACRES	44,059	1,136,340	1,903	20	46,086	255,405	1,483,813
	FIRES	118	24	2	12	2,672	580	3,408
Northern California	ACRES	264	423,780	0	28,526	34,163	327,735	814,468
	FIRES	34	163	11		2,992	613	3,875
Southern California	ACRES	47	32,692	8	2,244	36,777	10,211	81,979
	FIRES	1,248	211	41		896	826	3,245
Northern Rockies	ACRES	414,774	306,113	11,267	5,174	205,701	457,571	1,400,600
	FIRES	61	846	1		824	589	2,355
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	30,261	789,428	2	2,136	220,732	989,532	2,032,091
	FIRES	5	622	2		201	140	986
Western Great Basin	ACRES	1	510,739	0	28	67,949	42,247	620,964
	FIRES	731	200	12		524	1,039	2,548
Southwest	ACRES	34,274	5,326	187	4,334	33,753	460,526	538,400
	FIRES	1,348	535	35		1,656	700	4,315
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	153,818	67 702	4,183	1 127	665,541	100 627	1,082,109
	FIRES	825	67,793	4,163		8,591	189,637 602	10,100
Eastern Area		<u> </u>						
	ACRES	2,005		4,823		83,984	12,418	103,632
Southern Area	FIRES	511		79	46	15,051	602	16,289
Journal Prica	ACRES	46,648		34,238	16,752	259,140	81,558	438,336
TOTAL	FIRES	5,014	2,862			34,550	6,607	49,682
TOTAL	ACRES	726,315	3,323,500	96,240	133,701	1,756,075	2,826,840	8,862,671

Ten Year Average Fires	63,933
Ten Year Average Acres	6,699,314

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> 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
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES	_					1	0
	FIRES		1					0
Northwest	10050	_	_				-	
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES			3				3
	ACRES			318				318
Southern California	FIRES			2				2
	ACRES			203				203
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						202	202
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES	İ	İ	İ				0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES		İ					0
	ACRES	_						0
TOTAL	FIRES	(		5	C	) C	1	1
	ACRES			521			202	723

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	11	15	28
	ACRES				18	13,434	218	13,670
Northwest	FIRES	9	62	18		,	158	247
	ACRES	3,503	6,029	1,336			32,012	42,880
Northern California	FIRES	3	13	34	23	3	156	232
	ACRES	108	203	23,140	186	15	13,137	36,789
Southern California	FIRES		6	8	5	6	129	154
	ACRES		1,521	1,430	946	1,831	4,997	10,725
Northern Rockies	FIRES	26	9	75	3	34	192	339
	ACRES	3,060	4,609	18,436	233	1,810	20,854	49,002
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	21	43	81
	ACRES		898	188	230	404	19,424	21,144
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	4	3	15	4	30
	ACRES		825	419	413	3,079	221	4,957
Southwest	FIRES	31	18	12	18		135	214
	ACRES	1,214	8,519	5,512	470		39,680	55,395
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	39	13	113	21	13	51	250
	ACRES	5,406	1,543	22,880	2,492	1,283	8,662	42,266
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		503	49	978	152	1,719
	ACRES	22,116		79,314	9,067	58,343	57,595	226,435
Southern Area	FIRES	23		146	53	9,250	849	10,321
	ACRES	4,783		59,839	37,634	492,975	814,583	1,409,814
TOTAL	FIRES	168	136	915	181	10,331	1,884	13,615
	ACRES	40,190	24,147	212,494	51,689	573,174	1,011,383	1,913,077

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

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

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.