

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, October 16, 2012 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (64 new fires)
 New large fires: 0 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 6
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southwest Area (PL 1)

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

Big Canyon, Tonto NF. Fifteen miles northeast of Payson, AZ. Logging slash, brush and grass. Moderate fire activity with torching and spotting. Trail 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
Big Canyon	AZ	TNF	150	50	0	10/28	136	111	5	2	2	0	250K	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 NIMOs committed: 1

Fern Lake, Rocky Mountain NP. Transfer of command from NIMO (Kleinman) back to the local unit will occur today. Three miles west of Estes Park, CO. 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
Fern Lake	CO	RMP	673	0	30	UNK	65	-33	1	2	1	0	839K	NPS

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 33
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

North Minnie, Minnesota DNR. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Kollmeyer) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Five miles northeast of Fourtown, MN. Timber, brush, grass and peat. 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
North Minnie	MN	MNS	25,396	0	60	11/1	150	-4	2	5	1	0	1.8M	ST

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

Head, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF. Eight miles west of Mountain City, NV. Timber, brush and grass. Smoldering with 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
Head	NV	HTF	540	140	60	10/20	122	-23	4	4	2	0	475K	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

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

Sheep, Nez Perce NF. One mile east of Lucile, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Powell SBW Complex, Clearwater NF. Previously reported incident. Forty-five miles southwest of Lolo, MT. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect. 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
Sheep	ID	NPF	48,626	0	68	UNK	63	-5	1	1	1	4	17.5M	FS
Powell SBW Complex	ID	CWF	67,000	---	N/A	N/A	68	---	2	5	1	0	4.8M	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

Wesley, Payette NF. Twelve miles northwest of New Meadows, ID. Timber. Smoldering. 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
Wesley	ID	PAF	16,010	0	50	11/1	1	-7	0	0	0	0	14.8M	FS
Thompson Creek	ID	STF	129	1	100	---	137	-68	4	9	0	0	900K	FS

STF - Sawtooth NF

Other Fires

(As of October 12)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	1	47,154	0	0	0	0
NW	8	28,530	5	8	3	229
NO	1	150	4	7	2	118
SO	1	1,638	1	0	0	16
NR	32	147,329	2	10	0	139
EB	9	435,275	4	14	2	158
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	3	47,425	0	2	0	9
EA	1	288	0	1	0	2
SA	1	252	0	0	0	0
Total	57	708,041	16	55	7	671

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

Predictive Services Discussion: A strong ridge of high pressure off the California Coast will maintain warm and dry conditions over California, over the Desert Southwest and over the Great Basin. A weak ridge of high pressure will bring warmer temperatures and low humidity to the Gulf Coast and the East Coast. A cold front will bring a few showers and thunderstorms to the Plain States. A trough will continue to bring cool temperatures and showers to the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.

TRANSFER OF COMMAND

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents with potential during transfer of command periods (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES—Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

● Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed
- Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.
- Not all Resources know who is in command.

● Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.
- Transition at the morning briefing
- Utilize the Incident Response Pocket Guide transition checklist

References:

[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					3		3
	ACRES					5		5
Northern California	FIRES					4	1	5
	ACRES					15	0	15
Southern California	FIRES					7	1	8
	ACRES					0	1	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES					0	1	1
	ACRES					75	0	75
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				0	1
	ACRES		0				140	140
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3	3	7
	ACRES		0			10	31	41
Eastern Area	FIRES	8				25		33
	ACRES	5				26		31
Southern Area	FIRES					2	2	4
	ACRES					1	1	2
TOTAL	FIRES	8	2	0	0	45	9	64
	ACRES	5	0	0	0	132	173	310

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	4	39	30	21	296	5	395
	ACRES	164	51,289	39,629	72,948	102,264	0	266,294
Northwest	FIRES	128	224	27	29	870	928	2,206
	ACRES	44,235	1,136,341	1,902	20	46,361	264,978	1,493,837
Northern California	FIRES	123	24	2	12	2,709	587	3,457
	ACRES	275	423,780	0	28,526	34,283	321,260	808,124
Southern California	FIRES	34	165	12	64	3,064	620	3,959
	ACRES	47	32,692	8	2,246	42,034	10,223	87,250
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,253	211	41	23	901	831	3,260
	ACRES	415,534	306,113	11,267	5,174	205,948	464,185	1,408,221
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	61	848	1	33	828	616	2,387
	ACRES	30,314	788,972	2	2,130	219,867	997,852	2,039,137
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	631	3	16	201	142	998
	ACRES	1	513,331	60	28	67,933	42,858	624,211
Southwest	FIRES	739	201	12	42	524	1,053	2,571
	ACRES	36,161	5,326	187	4,334	33,753	460,528	540,289
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1,435	542	35	41	1,664	708	4,425
	ACRES	155,833	67,790	4,183	1,497	665,539	189,967	1,084,809
Eastern Area	FIRES	833		64	19	8,778	612	10,306
	ACRES	2,010		4,823	403	84,937	12,461	104,634
Southern Area	FIRES	661		79	46	15,066	614	16,466
	ACRES	130,022		34,238	16,752	259,637	81,599	522,248
TOTAL	FIRES	5,276	2,885	306	346	34,901	6,716	50,430
	ACRES	814,596	3,325,634	96,299	134,058	1,762,556	2,845,911	8,979,054

Ten Year Average Fires	64,025
Ten Year Average Acres	6,732,818

*** 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	1
	ACRES						15	15
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					2		2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						132	132
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					7		7
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					12	1	13
	ACRES					42	883	925
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	14	3	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	51	1,030	1,081

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	11	15	28
	ACRES				18	13,439	218	13,675
Northwest	FIRES	8	62	19	1		163	253
	ACRES	3,502	6,029	1,586	9		32,221	43,347
Northern California	FIRES	3	13	36	23	3	156	234
	ACRES	108	203	23,416	186	15	13,137	37,065
Southern California	FIRES		6	9	5	6	129	155
	ACRES		1,521	1,526	946	1,831	4,997	10,821
Northern Rockies	FIRES	26	9	75	3	35	193	341
	ACRES	3,060	4,609	18,436	233	1,812	20,869	49,019
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	22	45	84
	ACRES		898	188	230	418	25,186	26,920
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		139	218
	ACRES	1,214	8,519	5,512	470		43,020	58,735
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	39	13	113	21	14	51	251
	ACRES	5,406	1,543	22,880	2,492	1,290	8,662	42,273
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		505	49	980	152	1,723
	ACRES	22,116		81,114	9,069	58,483	57,595	228,377
Southern Area	FIRES	23		146	53	9,371	860	10,453
	ACRES	4,783		59,839	37,634	493,903	816,934	1,413,093
TOTAL	FIRES	167	136	921	182	10,457	1,907	13,770
	ACRES	40,189	24,147	214,916	51,700	574,270	1,023,060	1,928,282

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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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