National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Wednesday, July 3, 2013 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 3

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (129 new fires)

New large fires: 12 (*)

Large fires contained: 2
Uncontained large fires: ** 31
Area Command Teams committed: 1
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 3
Type 2 IMTs committed: 9

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Four MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve), and the 146th Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Phoenix, AZ.

Southwest Area (PL 4)

New fires:	19
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	7
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Yarnell Hill, Phoenix District, Arizona State Forestry Division. IMT 1 (Reinarz). Four miles west of Yarnell, AZ. Brush and grass. Smoldering with isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Dean Peak, Colorado River District, BLM. IMT 2 (Reidy). Ten miles southeast of Kingman, AZ. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. Backing fire with short crown runs and torching. Numerous structures and communication sites threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Silver, Gila NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Pierson) back to the local unit will occur on 7/5. One mile west of Kingston, NM. Timber. Backing fire with short interior runs. Structures threatened.

* **Beaver**, Truxton Canyon Agency, BIA. Fifty-eight miles northwest of Peach Springs, AZ. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior with occasional torching. Structures threatened.

Jaroso, Santa Fe NF. IMT 2 (McBratney). Eight miles south of Truchas, NM. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

W2, Coronado NF. Nine miles east of Nogales, AZ. Oak, brush and grass. No new information.

Doce, Prescott NF. Seven miles northwest of Prescott, AZ. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering.

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

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
Yarnell Hill	AZ	A1S	8,377	0	8	7/12	596	148	16	44	0	50	1.8M	ST
Dean Peak	AZ	CRD	3,200	1,700	0	UNK	215	40	6	1	1	0	2.5M	BLM
Silver	NM	GNF	137,326	459	59	7/21	590	-64	11	14	8	1	13.8M	FS
* Beaver	AZ	TCA	5,803		40	7/4	59		1	4	1	0	10K	BIA
Jaroso	NM	SNF	11,141	0	0	UNK	101	-31	2	4	4	0	1.5M	FS
W2	AZ	CNF	750		95	UNK	124		5	1	2	0	130K	FS
Doce	AZ	PNF	6,767	0	96	UNK	90	0	2	6	1	0	7M	FS

Alaska Area (PL 4)

New fires:8New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:3Type 1 IMTs committed:1Type 2 IMTs committed:3

Stuart Creek #2, Military Zone, Alaska Fire Service. IMT 1 (McGowan) and IMT 2 (Allbee). Twenty-five miles east of North Pole, AK. Black spruce. Active fire behavior with crowning and short-range spotting. Community of Two Rivers and Eielson AFB are threatened.

Skinny's Road, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Savage). Thirty miles west of Fairbanks, AK. Black spruce. Creeping and smoldering with occasional torching. Structures threatened. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Beaver Log Lakes, Tanana Zone, Alaska Fire Service. Fifteen miles northeast of Minchumina Lake, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Moon Lake, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Allen). IMT is also managing the Tetlin Jct. Ridge incident. Twenty miles west of Tok, AK. Timber. Backing fire with single tree torching. Structures threatened.

Tetlin Jct. Ridge, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Eighteen miles east of Tok, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with single tree torching. Structures threatened.

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
Stuart Creek #2	AK	MID	50,000	5,000	N/A	N/A	195	105	6	9	9	0	1.4M	BLM
Skinny's Road	AK	FAS	1,806	144	55	7/4	477	69	22	3	3	0	1.9M	ST
Beaver Log Lakes	AK	TAD	63,000	4,000	N/A	N/A	98	-46	3	0	3	0	1.1M	BLM
Moon Lake	AK	TAS	9,425	202	0	8/1	18	-236	0	0	0	0	304K	ST
Tetlin Jct. Ridge	AK	TAS	2,450	295	28	8/1	274	274	11	1	3	0	503K	ST

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 4)

New fires:	15
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1
Area Command Teams committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Area Command Team (Loach) is assigned to the West Fork Complex in support of Forest Service Region 2.

West Fork Complex, (three fires), San Juan NF. IMT 1 (Blume) and IMT 2 (Nunez). Fifteen miles north of Pagosa Springs, CO. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching. Communities of South Fork and Wagon Wheel Gap, power lines, ski area and communications sites threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

East Fork, Grand Mesa/Uncompangre/Gunnison NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Kusicko) back to the local unit will occur on 7/5. Thirty miles southeast of Montrose, CO. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

East Peak, Huerfano County. Ten miles southwest of Walsenburg, CO. Timber and grass. No new information.

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
West Fork Complex	СО	SJF	97,823	887	N/A	N/A	1,369	-95	24	73	10	0	19.4M	FS
East Fork	CO	GMF	447	0	N/A	N/A	285	-2	5	8	3	0	3M	FS
East Peak	СО	HUX	13,572		95	7/3	5		0	1	0	14	6.9M	CNTY

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Owyhee, Vale District, BLM. IMT 1 (Schulte). Four miles west of Adrian, OR. Brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior. Evacuations in effect.

^{*} **Shumway**, Vale District, BLM. Twelve miles southeast of Juntura, OR. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

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
Owyhee	OR	VAD	30,000	20,000	0	7/6	240	233	3	29	4	0	75K	BLM
* Crooked Creek Complex	OR	VAD	12,000	7,500	25	7/5	25		0	5	0	0	65K	BLM
* Shumway	OR	VAD	550		0	7/5	15		0	2	1	0	15K	BLM
Curry Canyon	OR	VAD	2,800	-1,700	100		206	-4	3	28	0	0	350K	BLM

^{*} **Crooked Creek Complex**, (three fires), Vale District, BLM. IMT 2 (Watts). Includes previously reported Pascal Fire. Four miles east of Burns Junction, OR. Brush and grass. No further information received.

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:24New large fires:5Uncontained large fires:9

- * **Black Mountain**, Cedar City Field Office, BLM. Three miles southeast of Minersville, UT. Brush and grass. Crowning and spotting. Road closure in effect.
- * **Heaven**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Ten miles southwest of Hill City, ID. Brush and grass. No further information received.
- * **Pointe**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Eight miles south of Rogerson, ID. Brush and grass. No further information received.
- * **Emery**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Twelve miles south of Oakley, ID. Juniper and grass. No further information received.
- * **Jim Brown**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Six miles east of Richfield, ID. Brush and grass. No further information received.

Turner, Boise District, BLM. Five miles southeast of Boise, ID. Brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

Wildflower, Salt Lake Field Office, BLM. Twenty-five miles southwest of Vernon, UT. Pinyon pine, juniper and grass. Short runs with isolated torching.

Antelope, Richfield Field Office, BLM. Ten miles north of Millford, UT. Juniper and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

Two and a Half Mile, Idaho Falls District, BLM. Five miles northeast of Chubbuck, ID. Brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering with isolated interior torching. Structures threatened.

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
* Black Mountain	UT	CCD	775		0	7/7	48		1	3	1	0	100K	BLM
* Heaven	ID	TFD	700		15	7/4	35		0	7	1	0	30K	BLM
* Pointe	ID	TFD	1,700		30	7/5	16		0	3	0	0	20K	BLM
* Emery	ID	TFD	580		50	7/3	41		0	7	1	0	35K	BLM
* Jim Brown	ID	TFD	8,000		15	7/3	28		0	6	0	0	20K	BLM
Turner	ID	BOD	595	295	80	UNK	60	-21	1	8	1	0	140K	BLM
Wildflower	UT	SLD	1,592	3	75	7/4	288	19	10	9	4	0	876K	BLM
Antelope	UT	RID	5,451	0	95	7/3	16	-38	0	1	1	0	309K	BLM
Two and a Half Mile	ID	IFD	1,042	42	95	UNK	80	-15	2	10	0	0	75K	BLM

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 15
New large fires: 3
Uncontained large fires: 6

^{*} Crescent Dune, Winnemucca District, BLM. Five miles south of Orovada, NV. Brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior. Residence threatened.

Red Rock, Carson City District, BLM. Forty-five miles northwest of Reno, NV. Brush. Torching and spotting. Residences threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Willow Creek, Battle Mountain District, BLM. Forty miles southwest of Eureka, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. No new information.

* **Eightmile**, Ely District, BLM. Ten miles east of Alamo, NV. Brush. Running fire. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Cyanco, Winnemucca District, BLM. Seven miles west of Winnemucca, NV. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

Goat Peak, Battle Mountain District, BLM. Twenty miles south of Battle Mountain, NV. Brush. No new information.

* North Creek, Ely District, BLM. Sixty miles northeast of Ely, NV. Pinyon pine and juniper. Creeping with occasional group 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
* Crescent Dune	NV	WID	10,000		10	7/4	27		0	5	0	0	200K	BLM
Red Rock	NV	CCD	5,450	3,950	40	7/4	226	0	9	6	3	0	750K	BLM
Willow Creek	NV	BMD	4,137		80	UNK	178		6	9	2	0	350K	BLM
* Eightmile	NV	ELD	3,100		N/A	N/A	6		0	2	0	0	15K	BLM
Cyanco	NV	WID	1,100	800	30	7/3	50	45	2	1	0	0	250K	BLM
Goat Peak	NV	BMD	1,000		10	7/5	165		5	7	1	3	200K	BLM
* North Creek	NV	ELD	839		30	7/4	137		4	6	0	0	72K	BLM

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:11New large fires:1Uncontained 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
* Kirker	CA	SCU	492		100		50		2	5	0	2	200K	ST

SCU - Santa Clara Unit, Cal Fire

Other Fires

(As of June 28)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	16	31,248	12	1	3	260
NW	2	0	0	0	0	0
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
so	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
EB	1	182	0	0	1	11
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	2	781	1	2	1	28
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	1	122	0	0	0	12
Total	22	32,333	13	3	5	311

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered thunderstorms will form over the Southwest and the Front Range of the Rockies. Some storms will produce rainfall of 0.25"-0.75". Isolated to widely scattered thunderstorms will also form over higher terrain in the Great Basin, the Sierras and the Northwest. These will likely produce rainfall amounts less than 0.10". Temperatures will continue in the 90s to 115 across the West. In Alaska, scattered showers will continue over most of the state. Isolated thunderstorms will also develop over the eastern Interior where warmer and drier conditions persist.

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

Minutes O This Day in Wildland Fire History

ATTENTION ALL FIREFIGHTERS

As part of a National Multi Agency Coordinating Group (NMAC) sponsored Operational Pause in Remembrance, every firefighter is encouraged to share a Moment of Silence to honor all of our fallen firefighters, past and present, and specifically reflect on the recent tragedy in Arizona that claimed the lives of 19 fellow firefighters. There is still plenty of active fire season ahead of us and we need to remember and refocus on active risk management. Take to heart this quote from Paul Gleason as he spoke about the losses at the Loop Fire: "We as firefighters can most honor them by recognizing and cherishing the lessons they have imparted to us at the greatest price."

Part I - South Canyon Fire, Colorado, 1994 (A Four-Part Series)

Incident Summary: On July 2, 1994, seven miles west of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, lightning ignites a Bureau of Land Management fire in piñon-pine and juniper on a ridge at the base of Storm King Mountain. The fire, paralleled by two deep canyons, is initially believed to have "little chance" to spread. The past two days, lightning has started 40 new fires on this BLM District. The entire general area, in a one-year drought, is experiencing low humidity and record-high temperatures. Over the next two days, the South Canyon Fire increases in size. Visible from Interstate 70 and nearby residential areas, the public becomes concerned. Some initial attack resources are assigned. Between July 3-6, the fire grows to approximately 2,000 acres. On July 6, a dry cold front moves into the fire area. As winds and fire activity increases, the fire makes several 100-foot flame-length rapid runs within the existing burn—in dense, highly flammable Gambel oak. Fourteen firefighters perish as they try to outrun the flames. The remaining 35 firefighters survive either by escaping down a deep drainage or by seeking a safety area and deploying their fire shelters.

July 3 - Summary of Activities

The Grand Junction BLM District is in very high to extreme fire danger. Ninety percent of its firefighting resources are committed to more than 40 new fires started in the previous 2 days.

A red flag warning is issued for dry lightning. Strong winds hamper the effective use of fire suppression aircraft.

One load—eight—smokejumpers, an air tanker, and lead plane are requested.

An engine crew arrives on scene. Its foreman's initial size-up informs: fire is inaccessible; two flaming trees visible, low spread potential, steep slopes. Until more resources can be obtained, it is recommended that the fire be observed.

Fire Control Officer requests more South Canyon Fire resources from the Western Slope Fire Coordination Center.

Lessons Learned Discussion Points

Your fire crew is now dispatched to the South Canyon Fire. Given the following circumstances, what would you do to ensure that everyone is safe:

- Extreme fire danger due to condition of the fuels.
- Limited resources,
- Difficult terrain,
- Red flag warning for dry lightning and high winds.

Resources: South Canyon Fire Investigation. 1994. http://wildfirelessons.net/documents/S_Canyon_AIReport_1994.pdf Incident Reponse Pocket Guide Page 1 (Risk Management). Red Book Chapter 7.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES			0	0	8		8
Alaska	ACRES			40,534	12,293	35,844		88,671
Nicoli	FIRES	1	1	,		,	1	3
Northwest	ACRES	0	0				0	0
Northern California	FIRES	1				9	1	11
Northern Gamornia	ACRES	0				780	1	781
Southern California	FIRES		2			19	3	24
Countries Camorria	ACRES		2			11	112	125
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1					4	5
Northern Rookies	ACRES	0					4	4
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		14			6	4	24
Lastern Oreat Dasin	ACRES		14,655			12	35	14,702
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10			1	4	15
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		7,798			0	1	7,799
Southwest	FIRES	7	3		0	1	8	19
Countinoon	ACRES	5,840	1		10	0	9	5,860
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	1		2	4	2	15
rtooky Wourkain	ACRES	0	15		2	1	888	906
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
Lastem Area	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					5		5
Journalli Alea	ACRES					46		46
TOTAL	FIRES	16	31	0	2	53	27	129
IOIAL	ACRES	5,840	22,471	40,534	12,305	36,694	1,050	118,894

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	32	21	27	327	2	410
	ACRES	0	369,984	160,457	73,160	319,716	0	923,317
	FIRES	36	49	13	3	410	126	637
Northwest	ACRES	777	48,712	369	0	2,922	214	52,994
	FIRES	84	7		6	1,487	152	1,736
Northern California	ACRES	81	78		3	13,073	4,214	17,449
Courth and California	FIRES	13	68	19	11	1,912	217	2,240
Southern California	ACRES	36	862	486	164	21,490	38,942	61,980
Northarn Dockies	FIRES	304	13	4	1	247	100	669
Northern Rockies	ACRES	5,292	210	1,008	1	1,648	12,579	20,738
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	19	215		6	192	77	509
	ACRES	120	31,635		5	6,153	1,492	39,405
Marata de Octobre Descio	FIRES	4	129	3	3	37	33	209
Western Great Basin	ACRES	26	18,624	1	0	132	52	18,835
Southwest	FIRES	402	92	24	44	389	496	1,447
	ACRES	44,379	4,190	3,313	259	56,868	171,206	280,215
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	286	148	13	24	388	189	1,048
record wountain	ACRES	599	7,822	514	1,116	17,053	97,736	124,840
Eastern Area	FIRES	308		35	26	4,375	229	4,973
	ACRES	7,190		994	87	41,769	1,070	51,110
Southern Area	FIRES	122		37	17	8,130	286	8,592
	ACRES	10,939		3,622	1,445	85,110	10,248	111,364
TOTAL	FIRES	1,579	753	169	168	17,894	1,907	22,470
	ACRES	69,439	482,117	170,764	76,240	565,934	337,753	1,702,247

Ten Year Average Fires	38,553
Ten Year Average Acres	2,493,759

^{***} 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
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES	_						0
0 11 0 111	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES	_						0
North and David's a	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
F	FIRES			İ				0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
Western Overl Basis	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES							0
041	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Deal Manager	FIRES							0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
Footowa Avec	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	() (0) (C	O	0
	ACRES	() (C	C	0

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	2	13		16
	ACRES		,	5	22	5,150		5,177
	FIRES	7	37	9	3		136	192
Northwest	ACRES	2,066	9,043	449	67		28,883	40,508
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	16	21		116	167
Northern Camornia	ACRES	35	780	15,998	254		5,097	22,164
Southern California	FIRES		4	5	4	2	139	154
Southern Camornia	ACRES		37	603	298	33	4,873	5,844
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	11	24	2	95	145	288
INOTTHERN KOCKIES	ACRES	1,583	2,742	6,747	156	1,091	9,741	22,060
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	18	1	5	21	43	92
Lastern Great Basin	ACRES	696	1,354	1	693	1,357	10,921	15,022
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	1		12	7	22
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		24	35		103	300	462
Southwest	FIRES	17	19	5	1		71	113
Southwest	ACRES	19,319	11,472	1,372	10		16,399	48,572
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	37	30	10	35	94	218
Nocky Mountain	ACRES	1,691	3,317	3,410	616	5,090	24,916	39,040
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		237	47	689	163	1,156
	ACRES	23,148		30,349	4,744	31,099	32,916	122,256
Southern Area	FIRES	48		95	19	10,306	788	11,256
	ACRES	13,997		47,080	22,022	560,416	858,096	1,501,611
TOTAL	FIRES	121	140	424	114	11,173	1,702	13,674
	ACRES	62,535	28,769	106,049	28,882	604,339	992,142	1,822,716

^{***} Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

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

Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	10	216	318	4,380
Yukon Territory	1	0	108	23,369
Alberta	1	590	695	4,906
Northwest Territory	11	4,340	142	33,215
Saskatchewan	6	75	226	31,176
Manitoba	8	13	183	137,883
Ontario	11	13	274	8,042
Quebec	3	73,283	305	730,959
Newfoundland	1	0	56	7,071
New Brunswick	0	0	311	744
Nova Scotia	0	0	146	302
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	10	664	28	26,009
Total	62	79,194	2,792	1,008,057

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.

^{**} National Interagency Coordination Center **