# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Wednesday July 31, 2013 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 3

## National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (109 new fires)
New large fires:	3 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	25
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	14

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

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

One MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 145<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard), and one from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard), are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

Northwest Area (PL 4)	
New fires:	20
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	13
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

**Douglas Complex** (five fires), Oregon DOF. IMT 2 (Sifford). Seven miles north of Glendale, OR. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures and a communication site threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Colockum Tarps**, Southeast Region, Washington DNR. IMT 2 (Nickey). Six miles southeast of Malaga, WA. Timber and grass. Running fire with crowning. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Brimstone**, Grants Pass Unit, Oregon DOF. Previously reported as Brimestone. IMT 2 (Thorpe). Ten miles northwest of Merlin, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Residences threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Whiskey Complex** (three fires), Umpqua NF. IMT 2 (Williams). Six miles east of Tiller, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Moderate fire behavior with occasional torching. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Mile Marker 28**, Yakama Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Rabe). Fifteen miles northeast of Goldendale, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures and power lines threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Labrador**, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Thirteen miles northwest of Cave Junction, OR. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with torching. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Big Windy Complex** (two fires), Grants Pass Unit, Oregon DOF. IMT 1 (Schulte). Twenty-five miles northwest of Grants Pass, OR. Timber. Surface fire with occasional torching. Structures threatened. 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
Douglas Complex	OR	DOF	25,396	3,996	5	UNK	1,387	127	41	86	11	3	3.8M	ST
Colockum Tarps	WA	SES	59,316	34,316	8	UNK	370	110	9	15	4	5	2M	ST
Brimstone	OR	DOF	2,000	0	10	UNK	773	0	29	30	0	0	1M	ST
Whiskey Complex	OR	UPF	3,080	550	10	UNK	814	40	26	24	6	0	1.8M	FS
Mile Marker 28	WA	YAA	22,469	2,132	60	8/6	1,345	0	35	102	7	0	5.2M	BIA
Labrador	OR	RSF	1,750	700	N/A	N/A	425	11	16	8	5	0	1.2M	FS
Big Windy Complex	OR	DOF	2,914	797	0	UNK	186	116	3	0	0	0	613K	ST
* Brown's Creek	OR	DEF	108		100		60		1	5	0	0	80K	FS

DEF – Deschutes NF

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires:	13
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

**Moose Meadow**, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Twenty miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT. Timber. Group torching with spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Firestone Flats**, Flathead Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Fry). Six miles east of Arlee, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with occasional single tree torching. Structures threatened. Evacuations have been lifted. Road closures in effect.

**Gold Pan Complex**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 1 (Poncin) and IMT 2 (Hutton). Thirty-five miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with torching and long-range spotting. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Emigrant**, Gallatin NF. Nine miles south of Emigrant, MT. Timber and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Crescendo**, Idaho Panhandle NF. Twenty-two miles south of Avery, ID. Timber and brush. Short crown runs with short-range spotting.

Gold Creek, Lolo NF. Sixteen miles northeast of Missoula, 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
Moose Meadow	MT	BDF	3,000	500	10	9/1	486	6	14	15	5	0	2.2M	FS
Firestone Flats	MT	FHA	1,750	0	60	UNK	362	-3	10	18	5	0	1.3M	BIA

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
Gold Pan Complex	MT	BRF	14,012	800	N/A	N/A	220	110	5	2	2	0	572K	FS
Emigrant	MT	GNF	611	0	0	10/20	77	-45	2	1	2	0	1.1M	FS
Crescendo	ID	IPF	500	100	0	UNK	128	23	4	7	0	0	1.2M	FS
Gold Creek	MT	LNF	171	0	98	7/31	45	-9	2	0	0	0	2.4M	FS

### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

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

**Lodgepole**, Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Adell). Ten miles west of Challis, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

**Ridge**, Boise NF. IMT 2 (Wilde). Fourteen miles northeast of Lowman, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with single tree torching.

**Thunder City**, Payette NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Johnson) back to the local unit will occur today. Four miles northeast of Stibnite, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Fir Grove**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Nineteen miles north of Gooding, ID. Brush. Interior torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
Lodgepole	ID	SCF	16,200	3,900	15	UNK	787	2	24	22	7	0	7.4M	FS
Ridge	ID	BOF	5,263	0	40	8/19	350	2	8	0	6	0	5.5M	FS
Thunder City	ID	PAF	1,400	103	N/A	N/A	179	-59	2	0	2	0	3.7M	FS
Fir Grove	ID	TFD	7,143	-1,357	99	UNK	88	-79	4	18	2	0	275K	BLM
Bonjour	ID	BOD	1,400	800	100		90	33	2	9	2	0	160K	BLM

BOD – Boise District, BLM

## Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires:	17
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Aspen**, Sierra NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Seven miles northwest of Big Creek, CA. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior. Structures and power lines threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

**Mountain**, San Bernardino NF. Started on state land 14 miles southwest of Palm Springs, CA. Timber and chaparral. 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
Aspen	CA	SNF	14,147	3,128	30	8/10	1,792	120	49	60	11	0	10.6M	FS
Mountain	CA	BDF	27,531	0	99	UNK	184	20	6	5	3	23	25.8M	ST

## Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	11
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

\* **Dance**, Six Rivers NF. IMT 2 (Johnson). One mile west of Orleans, CA. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Residences 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
* Dance	CA	SRF	650		25	7/31	475		16	27	4	3	1.1M	FS

### Alaska Area (PL 2)

New fires:	11
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1

Moon Lake, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Twenty miles west of Tok, AK. Black spruce. Active surface fire.

\* **Can Creek**, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Started on BLM land five miles southeast of Lime Village, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Running fire with torching and spotting. 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
Moon Lake	AK	TAS	18,030	0	42	12/1	124	0	6	1	1	0	5.5M	ST
* Can Creek	AK	SWS	753		N/A	N/A	21		1	0	0	0	262K	BLM

### Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires:	2
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
Tabor Creek	NV	EKD	746		100		84	-52	2	7	0	0	NR	BLM

EKD – Elko District, BLM

**Other Fires** 

(As of July 26)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	24	535,698	0	0	0	13
NW	3	2,100	1	1	1	38
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	3	471	0	0	0	0
EB	3	1,260	3	0	2	86
WB	1	4,700	5	1	2	143
SW	3	322	0	5	0	28
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	1	166	0	0	0	4
Total	38	544,717	9	7	5	312

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Widely scattered thunderstorms will form over the Northwest ahead of an approaching upper level low. Strong, gusty winds will develop across the northern Great Basin. Very warm and dry conditions will continue in the Southwest. Isolated to widely scattered thunderstorms will also develop over the northern and central Rockies. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will move across the East from the Appalachians to the coast. Mild conditions will continue in the eastern half of the country with hot weather in the southern Plains.

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



# **POWER LINE SAFETY**

Wildland / Urban Interface Category

Operating near or under power lines poses unique hazards, and the following precautions should be followed to reduce potential equipment damage or injury:

- If possible, the power company should deactivate lines in the fire area.
- Don't operate heavy equipment under power lines.
- Keep all aviation activity away from power lines. Inform air attack and/or other aviation resources of the location of the power lines.
- Don't drive with long antennas under power lines.
- Don't stand near power lines during retardant drops.
- Don't park under power lines. The magnetic field around energized power lines can induce an electrical charge in ungrounded vehicles or equipment. This charge can shock anyone who touches the vehicle.
- Don't apply straight stream to power lines.
- All personnel should be cautioned that smoke may become charged and conduct the electrical current. Deactivated transmission and distribution lines may continue to pose a hazard due to induction.
- If power lines fall on your vehicle, DON'T leave the vehicle until the power company arrives. If the vehicle is on fire or fire is near, jump clear, don't hang on, keep feet together, and bunny hop away.

References: <u>Fireline Handbook</u> Incident Response Pocket Guide

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# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		9	1	11
Alaska	ACRES	_		1		2	0	3
Northwest	FIRES	1		4		3	12	20
Northwest	ACRES	0		10		1	359	370
Northern California	FIRES					8	3	11
Northern California	ACRES	_				8	603	611
Southern California	FIRES		1	1		10	5	17
	ACRES		0	1		45	30,131	30,177
Northern Rockies	FIRES		1			6	6	13
	ACRES		4			5	802	811
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		0			6	2	8
	ACRES		800			9	4,600	5,409
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
Western Oreat Dasin	ACRES		294				0	294
Southwest	FIRES				1	2	7	10
	ACRES				0	0	18	18
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	4	4			4	3	15
	ACRES	1	2			0	0	3
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
TOTAL	FIRES	5	7	6	1	50	40	109
	ACRES	1	1,100	12	0	71	36,513	37,697

# Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alasha	FIRES	1	37	34	28	415	4	519
Alaska	ACRES	0	202,325	175,330	95,087	602,240	0	1,074,982
	FIRES	103	94	31	6	600	347	1,181
Northwest	ACRES	52,891	50,745	438	15	6,008	1,622	111,719
	FIRES	118		I	9	2,128		2,635
Northern California	ACRES	109	622		4	15,658	5,046	21,439
	FIRES	22		20	27	2,419		2,907
Southern California	ACRES	87	2,635	487	230	35,904	82,684	122,027
	FIRES	421	46	4	4	492	273	1,240
Northern Rockies	ACRES	7,293	439	1,008	2	4,497	52,257	65,496
	FIRES	44	396	1	23	331	254	1,049
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	304	83,702	0	61	12,918	39,798	136,783
	FIRES	5	222	3	8	56	64	358
Western Great Basin	ACRES	24,470	86,047	1	2	7,091	27,157	144,768
Courthursont	FIRES	480	139	25	68	493	867	2,072
Southwest	ACRES	45,791	6,726	3,313	1,807	57,961	171,972	287,570
Deeley Meyntein	FIRES	515	274	12	27	552	327	1,707
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	691	8,041	501	1,072	36,806	160,486	207,597
Fastana Anas	FIRES	322		39	27	4,573	250	5,211
Eastern Area	ACRES	7,193		996	87	33,082	1,096	42,454
Couthorn Area	FIRES	150		62	17	8,404	329	8,962
Southern Area	ACRES	11,138		3,846	1,445	88,024	11,030	115,483
TOTAL	FIRES	2,181	1,317	231	244	20,463	3,405	27,841
TOTAL	ACRES	149,967	441,282	185,920	99,812	900,189	553,148	2,330,318

Ten Year Average Fires	47,191
Ten Year Average Acres	4,250,181

\*\*\* 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	_	-		-		-	0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES		-				-	0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES			-			-	0
	FIRES							0
Southern California			_	-			-	
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES				-		-	0
	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES		-	·	-	-	-	0
	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES	_	_	-	-		-	0
	FIRES			1				0
Rocky Mountain		_	-		-	-	-	
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
	FIRES						2	2 2
Southern Area	ACRES				-		650	650
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TOTAL	ACRES						650	650

# Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alasha	FIRES			1	2	13		16
Alaska	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		125	176
Northern California	ACRES	35	780	15,998	254		5,472	22,539
Southern California	FIRES		5	5	4	5	141	160
Southern California	ACRES		38	603	298	165	4,875	5,979
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	13	24	2	94	145	289
Northern Rockies	ACRES	1,583	2,904	6,747	156	1,085	9,741	22,216
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	18	1	5	21	50	99
	ACRES	696	1,354	1	693	1,357	14,110	18,211
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	1		12	7	22
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		24	35		103	300	462
Southwest	FIRES	17	22	5	1		74	119
oounwest	ACRES	19,319	11,492	1,372	10		16,407	48,600
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	37	33	10	32	94	218
	ACRES	1,691	3,317	3,956	616	5,090	24,916	39,586
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		243	48	770	153	1,234
Eastern Area	ACRES	23,148		30,818	4,784	31,407	15,158	105,315
Southern Area	FIRES	50		99	11	10,530	887	11,577
Southern Alea	ACRES	14,298		47,988	5,872	567,242	850,596	1,485,996
TOTAL	FIRES	123	146	437	107	11,477	1,812	14,102
IUIAL	ACRES	62,836	28,952	107,972	12,772	611,599	970,458	1,794,589

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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	20	10	574	5,770
Yukon Territory	1	5	131	196,010
Alberta	16	0	887	19,877
Northwest Territory	0	0	222	289,611
Saskatchewan	3	0	265	132,128
Manitoba	16	0	315	577,058
Ontario	0	0	436	40,770
Quebec	1	23	443	1,679,368
Newfoundland	1	0	87	30,366
New Brunswick	0	0	345	868
Nova Scotia	0	0	152	302
Prince Edward Island	0	0	9	55
National Parks	2	5,025	54	67,184
Total	60	5,063	3,920	3,039,368

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