

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, November 20, 2016 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (26 new fires)
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires:**	28
Area Command Teams Committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

**Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.
[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern Area (PL 5)

New fires:	16
New large incidents:	5
Uncontained large fires:	27
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

Party Rock, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (Brandon). One mile north of Lake Lure, NC. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Chestnut Knob, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (Kern). Three miles south of Enola, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, backing and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Rock Mountain, Chattahoochee-Oconee NF. IMT 1 (Livingston). Two miles south of Tate City, GA. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Pinnacle Mountain, South Carolina Forestry Commission. Three miles southeast of Rocky Bottom, SC. Hardwood Litter and timber. Active fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

Tellico, National Forests in North Carolina. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Dueitt) to IMT 1 (Wilkins) will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Boteler, Dick's Creek, Muskrat, and Cathy Gap fires. Three miles south of Almond, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Road and trail closures in effect.

Boteler, National Forests in North Carolina. Nine miles east of Hayesville, NC. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, smoldering and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Dick's Creek, National Forests in North Carolina. Two miles northwest of Sylva, NC. Hardwood litter, short grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Muskrat, North Carolina Forest Service. Eight miles southwest of Franklin, NC. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

Cathy Gap, National Forests in North Carolina. Four miles northwest of Balsam Grove, NC. Hardwood litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

Maple Springs, National Forests in North Carolina. IMT 2 (Esperance). Three miles northwest of Santeetlah Lake, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Tatum Gulf, Georgia Forestry Commission. Eleven miles west of LaFayette, GA. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

Rough Ridge, Chattahoochee-Oconee NF. IMT 2 (Fogle). Thirteen miles northwest of Blue Ridge, GA. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

* **East Miller Cove**, Tennessee DOF. Started on private land one mile north of Walland, TN. Hardwood litter and southern rough. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Eastern Cherokee Complex, Eastern Cherokee Agency, BIA. (2 fires). Four miles east of Cherokee, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

Raven Rock, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Started on private land one mile east of Jenkins, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

Rosston, Oklahoma DOF. Three miles north of Laverne, OK. Brush, tall grass and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Evacuations have been lifted.

Bench Bluff, Tennessee DOF. Two miles west of Pikeville, TN. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Abner Br, Kentucky DOF. Two miles southwest of Big Laurel, KY. Timber and Hardwood Litter. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Hwy 190, Kentucky DOF. Two miles southwest of Pineville, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Quarry Creek, Cherokee NF. Two miles east of Tellico Plains, TN. Hardwood litter, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Big Branch, Kentucky DOF. Three miles south of Rocksana. KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Walters Rd, Kentucky DOF. Two miles northeast of Pikeville, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

* **Fish Trap**, Kentucky DOF. Five miles south of Raccoon, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

* **Oakwood 1**, Felsenthal NWR. Six miles east of Dumas, AR. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with wind driven runs and spotting.

Middlefield Fork Rd, Kentucky DOF. Three miles west of Lick Creek, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Pathfork, Kentucky DOF. Three miles south of Pathfork, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Hurricane Creek, Kentucky DOF. Three miles southwest of Stopover, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Hollins Fork, Kentucky DOF. Three miles north of Thousandsticks, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Big Poplar, Cherokee NF. One mile west of Turtletown, TN. Hardwood litter, closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Party Rock	NC-NCS	7,171	0	36	Comp	12/1	907	-13	18	139	2	0	3.2M	ST
Chestnut Knob	NC-NCS	6,424	84	40	Ctn	11/26	330	5	10	32	0	0	1.6M	ST
Rock Mountain	GA-CHF	10,425	1,043	30	Ctn	12/15	498	16	12	21	5	0	3M	FS
Pinnacle Mountain	SC-SCS	5,439	32	35	Ctn	1/1	218	-40	8	11	3	1	1.3M	ST
Tellico	NC-NCF	13,874	0	90	Ctn	11/20	250	-10	4	22	0	1	5.1M	FS
Boteler	NC-NCF	9,015	0	72	Ctn	12/15	391	1	4	25	6	0	7.7M	FS
Dick's Creek	NC-NCF	728	0	98	Ctn	UNK	11	4	0	2	0	0	799K	FS
Muskrat	NC-NCS	103	0	99	Ctn	11/21	28	0	1	2	0	0	235K	ST
Cathy Gap	NC-NCF	123	0	85	Ctn	11/25	53	-18	2	2	0	0	147K	FS
Maple Springs	NC-NCF	7,788	0	53	Ctn	12/05	315	-25	4	25	7	0	4.7M	FS
Tatum Gulf	GA-GAS	2,336	0	60	Ctn	11/30	101	-8	1	18	0	1	375K	ST
Rough Ridge	GA-CHF	27,870	0	50	Comp	11/30	232	-2	2	10	2	0	5.2M	FS
* East Miller Cove	TN-TNS	200	---	0	Ctn	12/07	39	---	0	16	0	0	3K	PRI
Eastern Cherokee Complex	NC-ECA	756	0	85	Ctn	11/25	80	0	2	6	0	0	1.2M	BIA
Raven Rock	VA-VAF	2,402	0	95	Ctn	11/30	26	-48	0	2	0	2	887K	PRI
Rosston	OK-OKS	3,213	53	60	Ctn	UNK	65	20	0	24	2	0	20K	ST
Bench Bluff	TN-TNS	2,018	---	92	Ctn	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	ST
Abner Br	KY-KYS	1,113	0	75	Ctn	11/23	23	0	2	1	0	0	12K	ST
Hwy 190	KY-KYS	800	0	90	Ctn	11/23	0	0	0	0	0	0	10K	ST
Quarry Creek	TN-CNF	645	125	75	Ctn	11/25	112	41	4	2	0	0	175K	FS
Big Branch	KY-KYS	450	0	80	Ctn	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Walters Rd	KY-KYS	374	0	80	Ctn	UNK	11	0	1	1	0	0	4K	ST
* Fish Trap	KY-KYS	356	---	47	Ctn	11/22	14	---	1	1	0	0	2K	ST
* Oakwood 1	AR-FSR	290	---	60	Ctn	11/21	NR	---	NR	NR	NR	0	5K	FWS
Middlefield Fork Rd	KY-KYS	250	0	90	Ctn	11/23	18	0	1	0	0	0	3K	ST
Pathfork	KY-KYS	230	0	90	Ctn	11/23	10	0	0	1	0	0	4K	ST
Hurricane Creek	KY-KYS	145	-45	60	Ctn	UNK	11	0	1	0	0	0	4K	ST

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Hollins Fork	KY-KYS	125	0	80	Ctn	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	3K	ST
Big Poplar	TN-CNF	157	37	60	Ctn	11/25	58	19	2	4	0	0	100K	FS
* Beaver Gap	OK-NEU	340	---	100	Ctn	---	2	0	0	1	0	0	10K	ST
* Highline	OK-NEU	160	---	100	Ctn	---	3	---	0	2	0	0	10K	ST

NEU – Northeast Area, Oklahoma DOF

Southwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 6
 New large incidents: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Empire**, Southeast District, Arizona DOF. Four miles northwest of Elgin, AZ. Brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with running.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Empire	AZ-A3S	518	---	80	Ctn	11/20	29	---	0	5	0	0	10K	ST

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSCC	2	346.09	6	6	0	143
NRCC	1	699	0	0	0	1
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	1	518	0	5	0	29
RMCC	1	3,070	0	5	0	10
EACC	7	2,430.5	2	12	0	87
SACC	79	140,167.3	102	416	26	4,332
Total	91	147,230.89	110	444	26	4,602

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	5	0	0	0	0	1	6
	ACRES	7	0	0	0	0	89	96
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	14	2	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	111	3	114
TOTAL FIRES:		5	0	0	0	15	6	26
TOTAL ACRES:		7	0	0	0	113	94	214

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	183	0	0	357	19	559
	ACRES	0	390,706	0	0	104,837	3	495,546
Northwest Area	FIRES	299	251	30	26	1,266	687	2,559
	ACRES	41,132	324,979	2,778	5,042	61,535	48,385	483,851
Northern California Area	FIRES	111	9	1	26	2,749	432	3,328
	ACRES	145	227	1	5	48,990	46,110	95,478
Southern California Area	FIRES	13	92	11	54	3,223	435	3,828
	ACRES	5,971	30,049	405	1,147	124,321	305,956	467,849
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	800	99	11	27	1,260	472	2,669
	ACRES	14,733	5,851	2,013	61,914	42,192	61,511	188,214
Great Basin Area	FIRES	35	750	8	58	658	545	2,054
	ACRES	12,439	303,225	3	24,239	139,275	281,055	760,236
Southwest Area	FIRES	876	248	11	65	914	1,171	3,285
	ACRES	80,809	66,535	6,976	32,187	131,858	259,707	578,072
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	855	449	14	24	1,322	740	3,404
	ACRES	26,644	35,085	615	2,140	515,934	99,418	679,836
Eastern Area	FIRES	519	0	30	53	8,712	438	9,752
	ACRES	2,209	0	1,113	966	59,963	8,698	72,949
Southern Area	FIRES	404	1	59	76	25,155	677	26,372
	ACRES	134,045	1	1,555	28,953	1,081,673	94,175	1,340,402
TOTAL FIRES:		3,912	2,082	175	409	45,616	5,616	57,810
TOTAL ACRES:		318,127	1,156,658	15,459	156,593	2,310,578	1,205,018	5,162,433

Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)	65,685
Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)	6,792,603

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Ownership):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	18	18
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	61	61
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	0	0	0	1	1
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	0	0	0	79	79

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Ownership):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	2	0	2	1	5
	ACRES	0	0	18	0	33,218	38	33,274
Northwest Area	FIRES	14	127	20	2	9	421	593
	ACRES	9,554	12,687	1,159	29	1,128	58,647	83,204
Northern California Area	FIRES	8	2	11	18	0	230	269
	ACRES	103	219	3,813	2,697	0	22,921	29,753
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	5	10	5	0	150	170
	ACRES	0	71	1,419	1,391	0	5,538	8,419
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	15	32	59	13	93	460	672
	ACRES	5,520	6,243	14,333	956	4,236	27,289	58,577
Great Basin Area	FIRES	4	31	10	15	44	112	216
	ACRES	151	8,262	5,622	2,575	1,913	37,758	56,281
Southwest Area	FIRES	24	31	3	9	5	167	239
	ACRES	20,745	26,931	92	2,349	3,365	92,777	146,259
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	37	38	69	35	71	94	344
	ACRES	9,213	5,306	27,232	13,891	4,602	43,145	103,389
Eastern Area	FIRES	87	0	369	40	1,097	261	1,854
	ACRES	45,614	0	52,415	6,910	85,975	59,125	250,039
Southern Area	FIRES	24	0	197	69	12,432	948	13,670
	ACRES	4,767	0	162,624	51,834	720,026	849,885	1,789,136
TOTAL FIRES:		213	266	750	206	13,753	2,844	18,032
TOTAL ACRES:		95,667	59,719	268,727	82,632	854,463	1,197,123	2,558,331

*** 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/>

Predictive Services Discussion: An upper ridge will remain over the central U.S. with a trough over the Northeast and another hanging over the Northwest. A cold front will push across the Eastern Seaboard, pushing rain and snow into New England and keeping snow over the eastern Great Lakes region. Rain and snow will continue over the Northwest, northern California and the northern Rockies. Breezy and dry conditions will continue in the Southeast. Temperatures will remain cool to very cold across much of the U.S. with warm weather remaining in the deep Southwest and Florida.

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



IN COUNTRY NOT SEEN IN DAYLIGHT

Operational Engagement Category

Often firefighters arrive on a fire after dark. This is recognized as Watchout Situation #2. Before safely fighting fire in country not seen in daylight, firefighters must be able to answer the following questions:

- Can the resources you are replacing give you a thorough briefing? Identify whom you might get information from. Can you meet up with the departing overhead/resource leaders?
- Can you observe the area/use scouts? List ways you could observe the area you need to work.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been thoroughly scouted and marked for night use? Talk about what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone; who would identify them; and in what ways might they be marked.
- Have potential dangers been located; can they be mitigated? What are the dangers associated with Watchout Situation #2? How can they be worked around?
- Reduce the risks by:
 - Posting lookouts.
 - Checking communications.
 - Retreat if you have doubts about your escape routes or safety zones or the situation becomes too complex. Give examples of arriving on a fire after dark and what was done to allow you to fight fire safely in country not seen in daylight.
 - Identifying prominent geographic features

References:

Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations

Incident Response Pocket Guide

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