

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Monday, November 21, 2016 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (212 new fires)
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires:**	24
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:	211
New large incidents:	6
Uncontained large fires:	24
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

**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. Evacuations, 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 with uphill runs, flanking and isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

**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. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

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

**Tellico**, National Forests in North Carolina. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Dueitt) to IMT 1 (Wilkins) will occur today. 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 with creeping and smoldering. 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 with creeping and smoldering. 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 creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

**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.

**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.

**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. Moderate fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Eastern Cherokee Complex**, Eastern Cherokee Agency, BIA. (2 fires). Four miles east of Cherokee, NC. Hardwood litter. No new information.

**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.

**Kentucky Ridge**, Kentucky DOF. Previously reported incident. One mile northwest of Chenoa, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

\* **Bells Road**, Georgia Forestry Commission. Twenty miles southwest of Cedartown, GA. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with crowning, running and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

\* **Mount Pleasant**, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Four miles west of Lowesville, VA. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, running and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect. 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 with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

\* **N. Conventional Range**, Avon Park Air Force Range, DOD. Seven miles southwest of River Ranch, FL. Southern rough. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. 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.

\* **Clark Rd**, Kentucky DOF. Two miles south of Honaker, KY. Timber and hardwood litter. Active fire behavior.

**Oakwood 1**, Felsenthal NWR. Six miles east of Dumas, AR. Hardwood litter. No new information.

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

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

\* **Chimney Rock**, Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area. Thirteen miles northwest of Oneida, TN. Hardwood litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and uphill runs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Rock Mountain	GA-CHF	11,287	862	30	Ctn	12/15	434	-64	9	23	5	0	3.7M	FS
Pinnacle Mountain	SC-SCS	5,439	0	35	Ctn	12/24	221	3	8	7	4	1	1.6M	ST
Party Rock	NC-NCS	7,171	0	45	Comp	12/01	925	18	18	131	2	0	5.7M	ST
Tatum Gulf	GA-GAS	2,336	0	70	Ctn	11/30	96	-5	1	18	0	1	425K	ST
Tellico	NC-NCF	13,874	0	91	Ctn	UNK	294	44	4	28	0	1	5.4M	FS
Boteler	NC-NCF	9,039	24	77	Ctn	12/15	334	-57	4	23	6	0	8.6M	FS
Dick's Creek	NC-NCF	729	1	99	Ctn	UNK	31	20	1	2	0	0	813K	FS
Muskrat	NC-NCS	104	1	99	Ctn	11/21	1	-27	0	0	0	0	255K	ST
Cathy Gap	NC-NCF	123	0	90	Ctn	11/25	57	4	2	2	0	0	216K	FS
Chestnut Knob	NC-NCS	6,433	9	45	Ctn	11/26	395	65	13	35	0	0	2.1M	ST
Maple Springs	NC-NCF	7,788	0	69	Ctn	12/05	303	-12	3	24	7	0	5.1M	FS
Rough Ridge	GA-CHF	27,870	0	55	Comp	11/30	258	26	2	12	2	0	5.4M	FS
East Miller Cove	TN-TNS	1,492	0	82	Ctn	12/07	39	0	0	16	0	0	250K	PRI
Eastern Cherokee Complex	NC-ECA	756	---	85	Ctn	11/25	80	---	2	6	0	0	1.2M	BIA
Raven Rock	VA-VAF	2,402	0	95	Ctn	11/30	22	-4	0	1	0	2	925K	PRI
Kentucky Ridge	KY-KYS	1,600	850	70	Ctn	11/23	37	0	2	2	0	0	80K	ST
* Bells Road	GA-GAS	1,400	---	10	Ctn	11/30	33	---	0	3	2	0	75K	ST
* Mount Pleasant	VA-VAF	1,400	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	101K	FS
Quarry Creek	TN-CNF	670	25	80	Ctn	11/25	113	1	4	2	0	0	250K	FS
* N. Conventional Range	FL-APQ	540	---	99	Comp	11/22	5	---	0	2	0	0	3K	DOD
Walters Rd	KY-KYS	374	0	80	Ctn	UNK	0	-11	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Fish Trap	KY-KYS	356	0	47	Ctn	11/22	14	0	1	1	0	0	5K	ST
* Clark Rd	KY-KYS	300	---	75	Ctn	11/23	11	---	1	1	0	0	2K	ST
Oakwood 1	AR-FSR	290	---	60	Ctn	11/21	NR	---	NR	NR	NR	0	5K	FWS
Big Poplar	TN-CNF	157	0	90	Ctn	11/25	39	-19	1	4	0	0	200K	FS
Hurricane Creek	KY-KYS	145	0	60	Ctn	UNK	0	-11	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
* Chimney Rock	TN-BSP	110	---	10	Ctn	11/23	25	---	1	2	0	0	15K	NPS
Rosston	OK-OKS	3,213	0	100	Ctn	---	65	0	0	24	0	0	19K	ST
* OK-NEU-160361	OK-NEU	240	---	100	Ctn	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	10K	ST

OKS – Oklahoma DOF      NEU – Northeast Area, Oklahoma DOF

**Southwest Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 0  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-29	0	0	0	0	12K	DVF

A3S – Southeast District, Arizona State Forestry

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	0	518	0	0	0	0
RMCC	1	3,070	0	5	0	10
EACC	7	2,430.5	2	12	0	87
SACC	79	143,491.3	100	422	29	4,394
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>150,554.89</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4,635</b>

**Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):**

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	1	197	12	<b>211</b>
	ACRES	0	0	1	1	1,497	1,265	<b>2,764</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>212</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1,497</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>2,764</b>

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

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	183	0	0	357	19	<b>559</b>
	ACRES	0	390,706	0	0	104,837	3	<b>495,546</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	299	251	30	26	1,266	687	<b>2,559</b>
	ACRES	41,132	324,979	2,778	5,042	61,535	48,385	<b>483,851</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	111	9	1	26	2,750	432	<b>3,329</b>
	ACRES	145	227	1	5	50,225	46,110	<b>96,713</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	13	92	11	54	3,223	435	<b>3,828</b>
	ACRES	5,971	30,049	405	1,147	124,321	305,956	<b>467,849</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	800	99	11	27	1,260	472	<b>2,669</b>
	ACRES	14,733	5,851	2,013	61,914	42,192	61,511	<b>188,214</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	35	751	8	58	658	545	<b>2,055</b>
	ACRES	12,439	303,225	3	24,239	139,275	281,055	<b>760,236</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	876	248	11	65	914	1,171	<b>3,285</b>
	ACRES	80,809	66,535	6,976	32,187	131,858	259,707	<b>578,072</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	855	449	14	24	1,322	740	<b>3,404</b>
	ACRES	26,644	35,085	615	2,140	515,934	99,418	<b>679,836</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	519	0	30	53	8,712	438	<b>9,752</b>
	ACRES	2,209	0	1,113	966	59,963	8,698	<b>72,949</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	404	1	60	77	25,438	689	<b>26,669</b>
	ACRES	134,045	1	1,556	28,954	1,085,728	95,484	<b>1,345,768</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>3,912</b>	<b>2,083</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>45,900</b>	<b>5,628</b>	<b>58,109</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>318,127</b>	<b>1,156,658</b>	<b>15,460</b>	<b>156,594</b>	<b>2,315,868</b>	<b>1,206,327</b>	<b>5,169,034</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>65,838</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>6,803,746</b>

**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	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	180	0	0	0	0	180
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	0	0
	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	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	200	200
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
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>380</b>

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

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	2	0	2	1	<b>5</b>
	ACRES	0	0	18	0	33,218	38	<b>33,274</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	14	128	20	2	9	421	<b>594</b>
	ACRES	9,554	12,867	1,159	29	1,128	58,647	<b>83,384</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	8	2	11	18	0	230	<b>269</b>
	ACRES	103	219	3,813	2,697	0	22,921	<b>29,753</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	5	10	5	0	150	<b>170</b>
	ACRES	0	71	1,419	1,391	0	5,538	<b>8,419</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	15	32	59	13	93	460	<b>672</b>
	ACRES	5,520	6,243	14,333	956	4,236	27,289	<b>58,577</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	4	31	10	15	44	113	<b>217</b>
	ACRES	151	8,262	5,622	2,575	1,913	37,958	<b>56,481</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	24	31	3	9	5	167	<b>239</b>
	ACRES	20,745	26,931	92	2,349	3,365	92,777	<b>146,259</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	37	38	69	35	71	94	<b>344</b>
	ACRES	9,213	5,306	27,232	13,891	4,602	43,145	<b>103,389</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	87	0	369	40	1,097	261	<b>1,854</b>
	ACRES	45,614	0	52,415	6,910	85,975	59,125	<b>250,039</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	24	0	197	69	12,432	948	<b>13,670</b>
	ACRES	4,767	0	162,624	51,834	720,026	849,885	<b>1,789,136</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>213</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>13,753</b>	<b>2,845</b>	<b>18,034</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>95,667</b>	<b>59,899</b>	<b>268,727</b>	<b>82,632</b>	<b>854,463</b>	<b>1,197,323</b>	<b>2,558,711</b>

\*\*\* 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:** The upper ridge over the central U.S. gradually weakens but a deep upper low remains over the far northeastern U.S. and broad trough moves into the Interior West. Scattered rain and snow showers will remain over New England. Rain and mountain snow will spread across the western U.S. Windy conditions will develop over the Plains. Cold conditions will continue over the most of the northern half of the U.S. and the West. Warm to very warm weather will remain over the Gulf states and the far Southwest.

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





## THUNDERSTORM SAFETY

*Weather / Fire Behavior Category*

Thunderstorms cause significant hazards for wildland firefighters, including downbursts that can cause extreme fire behavior and lightning. When thunderstorm development is likely, lookouts should be posted and aware of signs of a developing storm. A sudden reversal in wind direction, a noticeable rise in wind speed, and a sharp drop in temperature may note the mature stage of a storm. Heavy rain, hail and lightning occur only in the mature stage of a thunderstorm. During a storm, use the following guidelines:

- Do not lie down.
  - The best position is sitting on the pack or crouching with feet close together.
  - Avoid sitting directly on the ground, if possible; but, if necessary, keep feet and butt close together.
  - Avoid grouping together. Keep a minimum of 15 feet between people when possible.
  - Removing caulk boots will not provide safety if stocking covered or bare feet are then in contact with the ground--don't bother!
- "Stay out of dry creek beds" is correct for flash floods, but has nothing to do with lightning.
- Handheld radios (with short rubber antennas) or cell phones are safe to use. Communication is vital to crew safety. Do not use land line radios or radios with elevated antennas.
- Wide, open spaces are better than trees or clumps of trees in the vicinity. Ridge tops, etc., should be avoided.
- If you feel the hair on your arms or head "stand up," there is a high probability of a strike in the vicinity. Crouch or sit on a pack.
- Put down all tools.
- Take shelter in vehicles if possible.

References:

Incident Response Pocket Guide

Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations

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