

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, July 17, 2019 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (148) new fires
New large incidents:	7
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires:**	14
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Nationally, there are 83 large fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

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

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One RC-26 aircraft with Distributed Real-Time Infrared (DRTI) capability and support personnel from the 141st Air Refueling Wing (Washington Air National Guard) has been deployed to Fairbanks, AK in support of wildland fire operations in Alaska.

Five wildland fire suppression crews and one Interagency Resource Representative (IARR) are assigned to support large fires in Alberta, Canada.

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	28	978,054	64	39	23	2,426
NWCC	3	8,720	3	15	0	117
ONCC	1	9,000	0	1	1	10
OSCC	1	85	4	6	3	138
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	16	15,277	26	78	11	1,055
SWCC	18	37,085	22	34	12	932
RMCC	6	549	6	0	1	135
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	4	1,736	0	4	0	22
Total	77	1,050,506	125	177	51	4,835

Alaska Area (PL 5)

New fires:	0
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	4
NIMOs Committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs Committed:	3

Shovel Creek, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (NR Team 6). Twenty miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Swan Lake, Kenai-Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (EA Gold Team). Started on FWS land six miles northeast of Sterling, AK. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Chalkyitsik Complex (4 Fires), Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. IMT 2 (AK Black Team). Fifteen miles east of Chalkyitsik, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened.

Boundary River, Tok Area, Alaska DOF. NIMO (Portland). IMT is also managing the McArthur Creek incident. Started on Native Corporation land 37 miles southeast of Tok, AK. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences threatened.

McArthur Creek, Tok Area, Alaska DOF. Twenty-five miles northeast of Northway, AK. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

Kobe, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Twenty-five miles northwest of Healy, AK. Timber and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior.

Grouse Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Nine miles northeast of Rampart, AK. Timber and hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting. Residences threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Tony Slough, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on Native Corporation land eight miles northeast of Beaver, AK. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with flanking and torching. Structures threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Hadweenzic River, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on FWS land 26 miles northeast of Beaver, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with flanking and torching. Structures threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Bergman Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Twenty-eight miles southwest of Allakaket, AK. Timber and hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching and backing. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Montana Creek, Mat-Su Area, Alaska DOF. Started on private land 13 miles south of Talkeetna, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences threatened.

* **Dry Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Forty-eight miles northwest of Delta, AK. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with smoldering. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Cripple Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Forty-eight miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Nugget Creek, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Sixteen miles northeast of North Pole, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Shovel Creek	AK-FAS	21,298	-2,650	45	Ctn	7/30	507	21	9	15	4	0	20.5M	ST
Swan Lake	AK-KKS	100,812	0	50	Comp	8/31	436	-5	9	5	8	0	19.3	FWS
Chalkyitsik Complex	AK-UYD	305,256	37,483	0	Comp	8/31	268	43	8	0	2	0	2.3M	BLM
Boundary River	AK-TAS	18,000	0	95	Ctn	7/25	150	-22	3	0	3	0	3.8M	TRI
McArthur Creek	AK-TAS	25,144	60	0	Comp	7/30	35	-1	1	0	1	1	245K	ST
Kobe	AK-FAS	1,300	0	0	Ctn	7/27	155	0	6	8	0	1	584K	ST
Grouse Creek	AK-TAD	8,500	750	0	Comp	8/31	95	1	3	0	1	0	400K	BLM
Tony Slough	AK-UYD	1,536	836	0	Comp	7/31	54	2	2	0	0	0	85K	TRI
Hadweenzic River	AK-UYD	49,636	3,572	0	Comp	7/31	64	0	2	0	0	0	810K	FWS
Bergman Creek	AK-TAD	47,000	2,000	0	Comp	7/31	62	1	2	0	1	0	552K	BLM
Montana Creek	AK-MSS	367	0	75	Ctn	UNK	40	-3	0	4	0	0	2.1M	PRI
* Dry Creek	AK-FAS	13,124	---	0	Comp	8/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	ST
* Cripple Creek	AK-FAS	181	---	0	Comp	8/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	48K	ST
Nugget Creek	AK-FAS	15,963	9,026	0	Comp	10/1	6	1	0	0	0	0	110K	ST
Caribou Creek	AK-FAS	257	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-3	0	0	0	0	4.6M	ST
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Kolmakof Hills	AK-SWS	10,200	0	0	Comp	9/1	26	19	1	0	1	0	43K	TRI
Chandalar River	AK-UYD	9,881	0	0	Comp	7/31	68	1	3	0	0	0	1.2M	FWS
McCally Creek	AK-SWS	305	0	0	Comp	8/2	46	-21	2	0	0	0	297K	TRI
Smith Creek	AK-SWS	4,700	0	0	Comp	7/27	22	0	1	0	0	0	73K	ST
Hess Creek	AK-UYD	170,295	3	0	Comp	7/31	74	-5	2	1	5	3	1.5M	ST
Hidden Creek	AK-SWS	396	96	50	Comp	7/24	42	0	2	0	0	0	209K	ST
Lloyd Mountain	AK-TAD	32,744	0	0	Comp	7/31	22	0	1	0	0	0	878K	ST
Foraker	AK-TAD	46,294	0	0	Comp	7/31	5	0	0	0	1	0	184K	NPS
Beaver	AK-MID	13,854	0	0	Comp	7/31	44	0	0	0	0	0	345K	PRI
Rainbow 2	AK-DAS	11,919	0	0	Comp	12/31	56	-10	2	0	0	0	500K	ST
Timber Creek	AK-SWS	1,500	0	0	Comp	9/1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Old Grouch Top	AK-SWS	281,774	---	0	Comp	8/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	27K	ST
Page Mountain	AK-SWS	33,786	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	161K	ST
Cotton Village	AK-SWS	600	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Swift River	AK-SWS	850	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Horn Foothills	AK-SWS	134	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Little Titnuk	AK-SWS	600	---	0	Comp	9/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Beaver House Hill	AK-SWS	1,100	---	0	Comp	9/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	TRI
Door Mountains	AK-SWS	4,200	---	0	Comp	9/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	1.2K	ST

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Molybdenum Mountains	AK-SWS	429	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Taylor Mountains	AK-SWS	464	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Jump Peak	AK-SWS	600	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	TRI
Fuller Creek	AK-SWS	7,699	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	6.5K	BLM
Peary Creek	AK-SWS	5,000	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	TRI
Aghaluk Creek	AK-SWS	1,000	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	4.8K	TRI
Iditarod River	AK-SWS	600	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Stony River Flats	AK-SWS	300	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Holokuk River	AK-SWS	209	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Mauneluk River	AK-GAD	600	---	0	Comp	9/30	8	---	0	0	0	0	250K	TRI
Yukon Charley	AK-UYD	1,637	---	0	Comp	7/31	8	---	0	0	0	0	32K	NPS
Grayling Creek	AK-UYD	560	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	FWS
Biederman Bluff	AK-UYD	1,834	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	12K	FWS
Devil's Elbow	AK-SWS	5,400	---	0	Comp	8/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	32K	ST
Pete Andrews Creek	AK-SWS	1,300	---	1	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	167K	TRI
Pit Peak	AK-SWS	400	---	0	Comp	8/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	1.3K	ST
Sunshine Mountains	AK-SWS	16,393	---	8	Comp	NR	0	---	0	0	0	0	2.3K	ST
Little Kasigluk	AK-SWS	4,409	---	0	Comp	8/8	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	FWS
Black River	AK-UYD	36,577	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	260K	BLM
Dry Creek 2	AK-MID	506	---	0	Comp	10/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
North River	AK-GAD	91,275	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	40K	BLM
Victoria Mountain	AK-UYD	6,886	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	73K	BLM
Wilderness	AK-TAD	36,510	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	BLM
Little Crazy Mountain	AK-UYD	34,120	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	FWS
Little Mud River	AK-TAD	30,000	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FWS
Marr	AK-UYD	17,370	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	13K	BLM
Three Castle	AK-UYD	2,746	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	TRI
Snowshoe Creek	AK-TAD	1,900	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	ST
South Fork Buckland River	AK-GAD	3,237	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	BLM
Kugruk River 1	AK-GAD	2,707	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	BLM
Buckland 3	AK-GAD	2,338	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Kateel River	AK-GAD	1,887	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Koyuk River	AK-GAD	892	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
East Fork Dennison	AK-TAS	400	---	0	Comp	7/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	ST

SWS – Southwest Area, Alaska DOF MID – Military Zone, BLM DAS – Delta Area, Alaska DOF GAD – Galena Zone, BLM

Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 45
 New large incidents: 4
 Uncontained large fires: 6

* **Round Peak**, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF. Two miles east of Springville, UT. Brush and tall grass. Active fire behavior with uphill and wind-driven runs. Numerous structures threatened. Road and trail closures in effect.

* **Champlin Point**, Central Area, Utah DOF. Eleven miles west of Nephi, Utah. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with running.

* **Canyon**, Boise NF. Fourteen miles west of Stanley, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, single tree torching and creeping. Residences threatened.

* **MM80 Hwy51**, Boise District, BLM. Ten miles south of Mountain Home, ID. Brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Residences threatened.

Dome, Battle Mountain District, BLM. Eighteen miles south of Battle Mountain, NV. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

Radio Hill, Bear River Area, Utah DOF. Four miles northwest of Tremonton, UT. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Round Peak	UT-UWF	325	---	5	Ctn	7/19	147	---	4	2	3	0	200K	FS
* Champlin Point	UT-SCS	310	---	50	Ctn	7/17	38	---	0	12	0	0	50K	ST
* Canyon	ID-BOF	137	---	0	Ctn	10/1	148	---	5	1	3	0	150K	FS
* MM80 Hwy51	ID-BOD	300	---	30	Ctn	7/17	74	---	2	7	0	0	90K	BLM
Dome	NV-BMD	271	5	35	Ctn	7/18	163	22	5	7	2	0	564K	BLM
Radio Hill	UT-BRS	2,306	206	62	Ctn	7/17	90	-17	2	6	2	0	660K	ST
Heart	ID-BOD	1,529	0	100	Ctn	---	106	-1	2	14	0	0	225K	BLM
Jasper	NV-CCD	1,165	0	100	Ctn	---	78	-45	2	4	0	3	769K	BLM
Ridgeline	ID-TFD	600	0	100	Ctn	---	53	-47	2	2	0	0	375K	BLM
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Shady	ID-SCF	1,000	---	0	Comp	10/31	27	---	1	2	0	0	12.5K	FS
Skull Flat	UT-FIF	1,625	---	75	Comp	9/1	22	---	0	1	1	0	1.6M	FS
Waterfall	ID-SCF	300	---	0	Comp	10/31	2	---	0	0	0	0	11K	FS

CDD – Carson City District, BLM TFD – Twin Falls District, BLM SCF – Salmon-Challis NF FIF – Fishlake NF

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 20
 New large incidents: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 1 IMTs Committed: 1

* **Cellar**, Prescott NF. IMT1 (SW Team 1) mobilizing. Twenty miles south of Prescott, AZ. Brush and short grass. Extreme fire behavior with running and spotting. Numerous structures threatened.

Pine Lodge, Lincoln NF. Five miles northwest of Arabella, NM. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

White Springs, Fort Apache, BIA. Eleven miles north of Cibeqe, AZ. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with uphill runs. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Cellar	AZ-PNF	36	---	0	Comp	8/1	135	---	4	7	3	0	300K	FS
Pine Lodge	NM-LNF	15,044	0	95	Ctn	8/1	4	0	0	1	0	3	6.4M	FS
White Springs	AZ-FTA	1,471	971	0	Comp	8/15	50	5	2	0	0	0	100K	BIA
Buffalo Corral	AZ-FHQ	1,178	18	100	Ctn	---	12	-72	0	2	0	0	100K	DOD
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Bear	NM-GNF	1,350	150	30	Comp	7/18	16	-27	1	1	0	0	48K	FS
Skid	NM-GNF	165	10	30	Comp	7/20	1	-8	0	0	0	0	25K	FS
Roberts	NM-CIF	600	0	0	Comp	8/30	193	39	3	3	1	0	100K	FS
Rocky	NM-GNF	640	290	0	Comp	7/31	34	-27	1	1	0	0	301K	FS
South	NM-GNF	3,060	---	0	Comp	7/31	15	---	0	1	0	0	128K	FS
Black	NM-GNF	1,235	---	60	Comp	7/30	1	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
Whiting	AZ-ASF	2,280	---	70	Comp	7/18	50	---	2	2	0	0	130K	FS
Miller	AZ-CNF	5,761	---	90	Comp	UNK	126	---	0	5	2	0	4M	FS
Woodrow	NM-GNF	1,090	---	75	Comp	7/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	15K	FS
Shelley	NM-GNF	134	---	20	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	FS

FHQ – Fort Huachuca Army Base, DOD GNF – Gila NF CIF – Cibola NF ASF – Apache-Sitgreaves NF
 CNF – Coronado NF

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 6
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Powerline, Spokane District, BLM. Three miles north of Mattawa, WA. Brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Residences threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Powerline	WA-SPD	7,700	3,700	80	Ctn	7/17	65	-168	2	5	0	0	827K	BLM
Silver Creek	OR-FWF	110	10	100	Ctn	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	25K	FS

FWF – Fremont-Winema NF

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 5
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2

Beaver, Arapaho-Roosevelt NF. Eight miles south of Glen Echo, CO. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Reveille, Pike-San Isabel NF. Ten miles north of Gardner, CO. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Beaver	CO-ARF	100	0	85	Ctn	7/20	12	-12	1	0	0	0	360K	FS
Reveille	CO-PSF	219	0	5	Ctn	7/31	7	-4	0	0	0	0	2.5M	FS

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 15
 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			
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East	CA-MNF	410	---	95	Comp	7/31	4	---	0	0	0	0	1.7M	FS

MNF – Mendocino NF

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 22
 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			
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Whitney	GA-CIP	418	---	95	Comp	UNK	11	---	0	1	0	0	593K	NPS

CIP – Cumberland Island National Seashore, NPS

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	1	2	0	0	0	3	6
	ACRES	1	1	0	0	0	10	12
Northern California Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	14	0	15
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	13	0	13
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	21	4	25
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	216	166	382
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	6	0	0	0	1	3	10
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	7	0	0	28	10	45
	ACRES	0	516	0	0	534	451	1,501
Southwest Area	FIRES	7	5	0	1	2	5	20
	ACRES	2,237	1	0	0	20	849	3,106
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	4	0	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	16	0	16
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	19	3	22
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	46	8.5	55
TOTAL FIRES:		15	15	0	1	89	28	148
TOTAL ACRES:		2,239	518	0	0	845	1,484	5,086

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	176	0	0	287	22	485
	ACRES	0	891,670	0	0	644,794	8	1,536,472
Northwest Area	FIRES	198	52	7	6	542	207	1,012
	ACRES	3,561	19,840	83	1	2,321	1,677	27,483
Northern California Area	FIRES	12	10	2	2	1,132	138	1,296
	ACRES	11	483	0	1	18,930	880	20,305
Southern California Area	FIRES	8	50	6	5	1,805	164	2,038
	ACRES	17	103	2,566	5	12,323	1,109	16,123
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	513	14	10	2	281	130	950
	ACRES	4,891	151	1,424	0	6,182	703	13,351
Great Basin Area	FIRES	14	255	1	15	353	120	758
	ACRES	19	37,171	0	8	8,510	3,808	49,518
Southwest Area	FIRES	453	124	7	13	402	445	1,444
	ACRES	21,371	5,573	11	1,138	18,560	222,337	268,990
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	114	117	1	6	234	114	586
	ACRES	799	698	5,048	29	13,315	6,185	26,075
Eastern Area	FIRES	301	0	8	29	2,838	244	3,420
	ACRES	569	0	52	520	25,168	5,543	31,852
Southern Area	FIRES	199	0	30	39	10,595	202	11,065
	ACRES	22,138	0	1,422	2,152	163,062	13,017	201,791
TOTAL FIRES:		1,812	798	72	117	18,469	1,786	23,054
TOTAL ACRES:		53,376	955,690	10,606	3,855	913,167	255,267	2,191,960

Ten Year Average Fires (2009 – 2018 as of today)	34,471
Ten Year Average Acres (2009 – 2018 as of today)	3,298,141

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

***Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <https://qacc.nifc.gov/>

Canadian Fires and Hectares

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	2	11	568	12,190
YUKON TERRITORY	2	3,710	76	206,789
ALBERTA	3	0	745	801,815
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	2	0	50	8,965
SASKATCHEWAN	1	5	170	2,397
MANITOBA	0	28	197	96,464
ONTARIO	3	735	244	262,639
QUEBEC	2	27	160	6,473
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	60	82
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	125	166
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	90	104
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	9
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	29	76,958
TOTALS	16	4,517	2,515	1,475,050

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: Convective development will continue across the eastern half of the Alaskan Interior with the primary focus being the southeastern Interior. A breezy westerly flow pattern will develop across the Pacific Northwest and the Northern Rockies as a weak system begins to bring scattered showers to northwestern Washington by late afternoon. While most of the West will remain dry with seasonal temperatures, the southwestern monsoon will remain somewhat active across New Mexico. In the East, the remnants of Tropical Storm Barry will slowly begin to move east across western Tennessee and Kentucky. Moderate rainfall is expected to continue in these areas.

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



This Day in History is a brief summary of a powerful learning opportunity and is not intended to second guess or be judgmental of decisions and actions. Put yourself in the following situation as if you do not know what the outcome will be. What are the conditions? What are you thinking? What are YOU doing?

Battlement Creek Fire

Incident Summary: It's 1976 and western Colorado is experiencing an unusually severe fire season caused partly by unusual fuel conditions and heavy lightning activity during dry weather. A severe frost in June kills a high percentage of the leaves on Gambel oak which remain on the branches and is considered one of Colorado's most flammable fuels. 10 hour fuels are at 3-5%. A large scale high pressure weather pattern sits over western Colorado allowing for local weather to be influenced by terrain and diurnal winds averaging 10-15 mph in the afternoon with higher gusts. The weather is fair and hot with the temperatures at Grand Junction and Rifle reaching into the mid and upper 90's. A fire is reported 40 miles northeast of Grand Junction, in the Battlement Creek drainage. The fire is burning over an elevation range of 6200-8400 ft on a steep west-facing slope.

Friday July 16, 0630, two hotshot crews from the Coconino NF Arizona arrive at the Battlement Creek fire. This is the seventeenth fire of the first season for the newly formed Mormon Lake Hotshot Crew. The strategy is to prevent western and southern spread. The crews begin a major burnout of the catline (dozer line) from the rocky bluffs (Point A) at about 1615, downhill along the catline toward the Battlement Creek road at the bottom (Point C) ending about 2030. The fire makes an uphill run in oak brush burning out a large portion of the drainage (from the road east to the ridgetop) in about 20 minutes. Two "impressive" fire whirls are observed between 1600-1700. The night shift continues the burn out (Point C-D and beyond along the road) but is spotty with considerable unburned fuel remaining. Other night shift crews construct line along the ridgetop (Point E to G). Based on Friday's fire behavior, the E-G line is a crucial spot on the fire. Saturday July 17th, 0700, at morning briefing the Mormon Lake crew is assigned to burn out this section of line.

Saturday morning, July 17th – Due to a delay with the helicopter, the Mormon Lake crew does not get to the base of the rock bluff (Point E) until 1100. They are instructed to improve and burn out the line from the rocky bluff to the helispot (Point E-G). The burnout squad consisted of the crew boss, squad boss, and 2 crewmembers. The rest of the crew is improving the handline down the ridgetop.

At this same time another crew is burning out in the bottom of the draw (Point C-D). The draw burns readily, uphill toward the ridge and the Mormon Lake crew. Neither crew knew of the specific location or assignment of the other.

1400 –1/3 the way from the rock bluff to the upper helispot, there is a noticeable increase in smoke from the draw below (where the other crew had been burning). The crew boss is instructed to speed up the line improvement squad on toward the safety zone (Point G) and to narrow down and speed up his burnout on down the ridgeline to join the remainder of the crew in the safety zone when his burnout was done. Upslope winds have increased to 25-35 mph.

1425-1440 – The line improvement squad just makes it into the safety zone when the flame front hits the ridge. 200 yards back, the burnout squad radios that they are "trapped". Their escape is blocked by heavy smoke and flames.

1440-1445 – The squad removes their canvas vests to cover their head and face, moistened the vests and their clothes with water from their canteens, and lays face down in the mineral soil of the fireline.

1448 – All four firefighters are very badly burned.
Three will lose their lives.

Discussion Points

The day prior to the burnover, an airtanker crashed during a retardant dropping mission on the Battlement Creek fire killing the pilot.

Resources [Staff Ride to the Battlement Creek Fire](#)
[Google Earth Fly Around of Battlement Creek Fire](#)
[Sequence of Events PowerPoint](#)
[Battlement Creek Fire Investigation Report](#)

- ✓ Discuss how incidents and distractions can affect our judgment and situational awareness.

The crew all wore aluminum hardhats, canvas vests, Nomex shirts and non-fire-resistant work pants. Fire shelters were not used. Fire shelters may have prevented serious burns and death at this incident. Policy on issuing and carrying shelters had not been established yet. This incident became the catalyst for the mandatory use of fire shelters and fire resistant clothing.

- ✓ **Take this opportunity to inspect, repair or replace your PPE and fire shelter if needed to ensure that it protects you as well as possible.**

