

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, September 21, 2007 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (124 new fires)
 New large fires: 1 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 7
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3
 Fire Use Teams committed: 0

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 4
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Cascade Complex, Boise NF. IMT 2 (Suwyn). Twenty-seven miles east of Cascade, ID. Timber. Smoldering and surface burning. Structures, power lines, cultural sites and historical cabins threatened. Road closures in effect.

East Zone Complex (4 fires), Payette NF. NIMO (Gelobter). NIMO is also managing the Big Creek portion of the Krassel Complex WFU. Twenty-five miles northeast of McCall, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching.

French Creek, Manti-Lasal NF. Previously reported WFU incident. Thirty-one miles southwest of Spanish Fork, UT. Timber, sage and grass. Running, torching and spotting. Last narrative 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
Cascade Complex	ID	BOF	302,376	0	28	UNK	582	-56	14	21	10	5	52.4M	FS
East Zone Complex	ID	PAF	300,022	0	NR	9/30	286	-104	7	13	1	13	32.5M	FS
French Creek -- WFU	UT	MLF	2,300	---	N/A	N/A	16	---	0	1	0	0	250K	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires: 7
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 3
Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Rattlesnake, Nez Perce NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Grant) back to local unit today. Twenty-five miles south of Elk City, ID. Timber and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Jocko Lakes, Flathead Agency, BIA. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (McNitt) back to local unit today. Twenty-six miles northeast of Missoula, MT. Timber with dead and down lodgepole pine. Creeping and smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Conger Creek, Lolo NF. Twenty miles north of Ovando, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area closures in effect. Snow occurred over the higher elevations of the fire area yesterday.

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
Rattlesnake	ID	NPF	102,000	0	25	10/1	109	-6	1	2	0	8	17.6M	FS
Jocko Lakes	MT	FHA	36,388	0	95	10/1	90	-60	0	0	0	8	29.6M	BIA
Conger Creek	MT	LNF	25,138	20	0	UNK	12	0	0	0	0	0	876K	FS

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 3
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 2

Domke Lake Complex, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Thirty-six miles northwest of Chelan, WA. Timber with dead and down fuels. No new information.

Saddle Gulch, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Five miles east of Imnaha, OR. Short grass with dead and down fuels. Smoldering and creeping.

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
Domke Lake Complex	WA	OWF	12,150	---	35	UNK	50	---	1	2	2	1	11.7M	FS
* Saddle Gulch	OR	WWF	1,200	---	90	9/21	22	---	1	0	0	0	380K	FS

Western Great Basin Area (PL 1)

New fires: 3
 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
Sheep Creek – WFU	NV	ELD	2,500	100	N/A	N/A	80	0	2	8	1	0	52K	BLM

ELD – Ely Field Office, BLM

Southwest Area (PL 2)

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

Dutch, Kaibab NF. Previously reported WFU incident. Eight miles southwest of Williams, AZ. Timber and grass. Minimal surface fire. Last narrative 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
Dutch - WFU	AZ	KNF	1,585	---	N/A	N/A	13	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 13
 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
Butler 2	CA	BDF	14,039	0	100	---	1,466	-531	25	81	10	3	7.0M	FS

BDF – San Bernardino NF

Predictive Services Discussion: Showers and cool weather will prevail today across much of California and Nevada with generally dry weather over most of Idaho, Montana and the Northwest.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

Driving Safety

Driving is one of the most hazardous tasks that we perform when assigned to fires. Because of the fact that we perform the task literally hundreds of times in the course of our daily lives we tend to take it for granted. Based on recent accident trends, vehicle accidents are the source of more deaths and serious injuries to wildland firefighters than any other single cause. Vehicle operators need to recognize their own poor driving habits and strive to develop proper defensive driving techniques.

- A good starting point is attitude. A positive attitude towards improving your defensive driving skills will help you achieve the necessary changes in your driving habits. Most of what you do in operating vehicles is performed from habit. You do not consciously think about every thing you do when you drive. Rather, your subconscious performs most techniques. It's important to remember that a bad habit is as easy to develop as a good one. Take a good, hard look at your driving habits. Are you training yourself to do the right things the right way, like fastening your seat belt, checking your mirrors, and maintaining safe following distances?
- Inattentiveness is a major contributing factor in motor vehicle accidents within the wildland firefighting community. Because driving is such a common component of our lives, it is difficult to realize that it requires 100% of our attention. Since the average adult attention span is 15-20 minutes we must develop techniques that allow us to refocus our attention on the task at hand, operating a motor vehicle safely. There are many forms of inattentive driving; fatigue, telematics, daydreaming, eating, drinking, reading, writing, and talking. Here are some techniques for maintaining your attention while driving.
 - Drive only when you are well rested and alert; avoid driving during the hours of 10:00 PM and 6:00 AM. Take a 10 to 15 minute break after every 2 hours of driving.
 - Practice situational awareness when driving; be aware of what is happening in front, behind, and on both sides of your vehicle. Never drive when taking medications that make you drowsy.
 - Avoid using cell phones, radios, GPS units, CD players or computers while driving. Have a passenger operate them, or pull off the road and park.
 - By constantly moving your vision, checking mirrors and distant road conditions, you can avoid highway hypnosis and daydreaming.
 - Avoid eating or drinking while driving. Take frequent breaks to perform these activities.
 - Do not attempt to read maps or write directions while driving, pull over and park.
 - When talking with passengers, keep your eyes on the road and both hands on the steering wheel. Keep conversations causal and limited to small talk. Avoid conversations of a serious or technical nature. Do not engage in confrontational or argumentative conversations.
 - Do not be in a hurry, be patient. The more impatient you are, the more agitated you can become. Agitation will only magnify other inattentive driving behaviors.
- Safe driving starts with a safe vehicle. While mechanical failure is rarely a contributing factor in motor vehicle accidents something as simple as under inflated tires can have serious consequences. Before operating any vehicle, you must be sure the vehicle is in safe operating condition. Not only should you perform a pre-operation inspection, some vehicle defects can only be detected while the vehicle is operating. The vehicle operator is also responsible pre-operation, during operation, and post-operation inspections.

Fires And Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Northern California	FIRES					7	5	12
	ACRES					5	3	8
Southern California	FIRES					13		13
	ACRES					17		17
Northern Rockies	FIRES	5				1	1	7
	ACRES	2				0	0	2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				3	4
	ACRES		6				2,173	2,179
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			2		3
	ACRES		0			0		0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		3		1	1	2	7
	ACRES		0		0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					3	1	4
	ACRES					39	2	41
Southern Area	FIRES					71		71
	ACRES					182		182
TOTAL	FIRES	5	5	0	1	98	15	124
	ACRES	2	6	0	0	243	2,178	2,429

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	3	30	38	18	351	7	447
	ACRES	3	2,447	61,359	696	404,672	2	469,179
Northwest	FIRES	298	272	47	38	1,829	1,006	3,490
	ACRES	60,108	261,571	82,508	327	153,550	224,824	782,888
Northern California	FIRES	191	44	5	33	2,087	654	3,014
	ACRES	214	532	105	33	80,225	123,997	205,106
Southern California	FIRES	61	142	15	33	3,434	626	4,311
	ACRES	2,476	10,007	36	2,443	22,609	308,435	346,006
Northern Rockies	FIRES	964	84	19	14	1,039	973	3,093
	ACRES	60,888	61,215	810	2,536	324,944	556,812	1,007,205
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	50	657	4	48	829	696	2,284
	ACRES	24,752	1,109,082	9	7,192	319,519	945,269	2,405,823
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	439	7	25	207	90	771
	ACRES	60	563,992	38	379	225,115	105,421	895,005
Southwest	FIRES	671	150	9	77	712	1,458	3,077
	ACRES	13,253	1,808	1,540	674	198,597	46,035	261,907
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	915	572	15	34	587	475	2,598
	ACRES	3,321	9,127	569	315	48,823	13,940	76,095
Eastern Area	FIRES	486		66	30	10,314	550	11,446
	ACRES	8,461		1,374	527	141,645	46,114	198,121
Southern Area	FIRES	413		103	76	34,936	895	36,423
	ACRES	20,884		344,324	67,525	833,246	162,058	1,428,037
TOTAL	FIRES	4,055	2,390	328	426	56,325	7,430	70,954
	ACRES	194,420	2,019,781	492,672	82,647	2,752,945	2,532,907	8,075,372

Ten Year Average Fires	66,517
Ten Year Average Acres	5,955,626

*** 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
Northwest	FIRES		2	2				4
	ACRES		44	80				124
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			10				10
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		100				72	172
Western Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						725	725
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						93	93
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				1		5	6
	ACRES				300		214	514
TOTAL	FIRES	0	3	3	1	0	9	16
	ACRES	0	144	90	300	0	1,104	1,638

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					20,650		20,650
Northwest	FIRES	25	64	31	3		371	494
	ACRES	9,765	19,212	6,020	98		32,668	67,763
Northern California	FIRES		3	8	9	41	194	255
	ACRES		175	19,979	14	4,664	11,412	36,244
Southern California	FIRES		4	10	11	6	90	121
	ACRES		180	3,011	514	77	9,512	13,294
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	21	84	8	54	227	396
	ACRES	438	3,834	19,892	459	1,825	24,926	51,374
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	5	23	7	5	14	61	115
	ACRES	2,164	7,451	2,302	448	9,249	17,130	38,744
Western Great Basin	FIRES		9	5	5		1	20
	ACRES		4,069	1,415	3,507		891	9,882
Southwest	FIRES	55	68	11	20		202	356
	ACRES	9,565	17,758	2,876	4,530		56,338	91,067
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	40	39	99	12	32	108	330
	ACRES	4,556	17,074	23,874	3,759	3,807	35,069	88,139
Eastern Area	FIRES	45		327	36	1,510	142	2,060
	ACRES	15,836		48,510	4,241	94,805	35,570	198,962
Southern Area	FIRES	29		310	72	14,925	904	16,240
	ACRES	20,321		125,793	63,069	949,600	884,183	2,042,966
TOTAL	FIRES	201	231	892	181	16,586	2,300	20,391
	ACRES	62,645	69,753	253,672	80,639	1,084,677	1,107,699	2,659,085

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WFU Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		22	18	15	3		58
	ACRES		39,045	57,943	29,188	542		126,718
Northwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						452	452
Northern California	FIRES				3	1	4	8
	ACRES				1	1	12	14
Southern California	FIRES				20		6	26
	ACRES				454		92	546
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1		74	75
	ACRES				1		86,341	86,342
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				5	0	47	52
	ACRES				24	75	146,438	146,537
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		3,631					3,631
Southwest	FIRES		1	5	1	37		44
	ACRES		10	5,572	149	29,882		35,613
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		11	2		8		21
	ACRES		387	0		69		456
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1	1
Southern Area	FIRES				16		3	19
	ACRES				2,228		3,888	6,116
TOTAL	FIRES	0	40	18	67	5	184	314
	ACRES	0	43,073	57,943	37,468	767	267,175	406,426

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