

**National Interagency Coordination Center**  
**Incident Management Situation Report**  
**Wednesday, October 4, 2006 - 0530 MDT**  
**National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (75 new fires)

New large fires: 0 (\*)

Large fires contained: 2

Uncontained large fires: 5

Area Command Teams:

Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Fire Use Teams:

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

**Northern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 2

Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Bar Complex** (three fires), Shasta-Trinity NF. IMT 1 (Opliger). Fourteen miles northwest of Weaverville, CA. Timber and brush. Smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened. Structure protection in place and road closures in effect.

**Uncles Complex** (three fires), Klamath NF. Eighteen miles northeast of Orleans, CA. Old growth timber and brush. Active backing fire. Historic structures and cultural resources threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Bar Complex	CA	SHF	98,355	46	10/15	598	9	15	8	0	56M	FS
Uncles Complex	CA	KNF	28,200	50	10/31	41	2	0	3	0	15.2M	FS

**Northwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4

New large fires: 0

Large fires contained 1

Uncontained large fires: 2

Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Columbia Complex**, Umatilla NF. Fifteen miles northeast of Walla Walla, WA. Grass, brush and timber. Smoldering. Roads, trails and campgrounds remain closed.

**Tripod Complex**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (LaFave). IMT also managing the Tatoosh Complex and Van Peak fires. Seven miles northeast of Winthrop, WA. Mixed conifer. Smoldering, creeping, short runs and isolated torching. Area closure in effect.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Columbia Complex	OR	UMF	109,422	95	10/15	119	2	11	2	28	35.4M	ST
Tripod Complex	WA	OWF	175,184	85	10/31	199	3	5	4	2	82.8M	FS
Highlands	WA	WFS	5,506	100	---	6	1	1	0	0	210K	ST

WFS Washington Fire Service

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

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

**Derby** (two fires), Gallatin NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Reid) to the local unit today. Fifteen miles south of Big Timber, MT. Timber, grass and heavy dead and down fuels. Smoldering.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Derby	MT	GNF	223,570	90	10/15	96	1	0	1	47	22.5M	FS

### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4  
 New large fires: 0  
 Large fires contained: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Polly's Peak	UT	RID	1,586	100	---	28	1	11	0	0	190K	BLM

RID Richfield Field Office, BLM

### **Predictive Services Discussion**

**Rain and mountain snow for much of California this week.** A storm system will move across California this week with significant rain and high elevation snow mainly in the northern and central portions of the state. A trend to warmer and drier conditions will begin on Friday and continue through the weekend. Dry weather will persist across much of Florida and the southeastern states.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

## FIRE SHELTER SITE SELECTION

The primary objective of every operational fire plan is to keep firefighters out of an entrapment situation. However, firefighters must always be prepared for the possibility of having to deploy their fire shelters. The key to a successful fire shelter deployment is proper site selection. Consider the following when discussing shelter deployment site selection:

- Pick a site that will keep the fire shelter away from flames and convective heat. It should also limit the amount of radiant heat that reaches the shelter.
- Select an area with no fuels, or if that isn't possible, select a site in light fuels such as grass where the flaming front passes quickly. Clear the site to mineral soil if at all possible. If time is critical, pick a site with the least fuel.
- Pick natural firebreaks (e.g., wet meadows; creek beds; wet, swampy areas; large rockslides with no fuels). Note that rough terrain in rockslides may make obtaining an effective seal impossible, thus making the site unacceptable.
- Areas on the lee side of ridge tops and knobs can be effective deployment sites because convective heat and flames will generally continue rising above them.
- Wide areas that have been cleared of fuel such as dozer lines or roads can be effective deployment sites. In larger areas, don't let trucks, dozers, and other equipment occupy the best deployment sites.
- Flat areas on slopes, such as benches or road cuts, offer some protection from radiant and convective heat. Level areas like these can keep you below the path of flames and convective heat. The ditch on the inside of the road, if free of fuel, can improve the effectiveness of deploying in a road cut.
- Avoid areas that tend to funnel smoke, flames, and hot gases.
  - Narrow draws
  - Chutes
  - Chimneys
  - Saddles on ridge tops
- Know how long it takes to reach your safety zone. Crew supervisors should identify and communicate likely escape routes and safety zones.

### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs						4	4
	ACRES						1	1
Northern California	FIREs					4	0	4
	ACRES				1	706		707
Southern California	FIREs				2			2
	ACRES				0			0
Northern Rockies	FIREs						0	0
	ACRES						10	10
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs		4					4
	ACRES		1					1
Western Great Basin	FIREs		2					2
	ACRES		3					3
Southwest	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Rocky Mountain	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					2		2
Eastern Area	FIREs					3		3
	ACRES					12		12
Southern Area	FIREs					54		54
	ACRES					126		126
TOTAL	FIREs	0	6	0	0	64	5	75
	ACRES	0	4	0	0	141	717	862

### Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	5	17	9	3	265	2	301
	ACRES	65	3,900	82,654	1,322	182,276	3	270,220
Northwest	FIRES	216	436	40	35	1,199	1,538	3,464
	ACRES	8,234	387,116	4,622	5,561	149,563	392,079	947,175
Northern California	FIRES	133	72	17	26	3,154	926	4,328
	ACRES	236	5,832	135	10	98,360	200,352	304,925
Southern California	FIRES	86	84	13	54	2,047	789	3,073
	ACRES	307	4,404	7	6,471	69,695	241,625	322,509
Northern Rockies	FIRES	934	60	47	20	1,109	1,231	3,401
	ACRES	53,868	124,006	83,915	17,677	312,966	357,107	949,539
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	76	1,117	3	54	877	805	2,932
	ACRES	6,605	748,359	3	14,417	164,215	283,330	1,216,929
Western Great Basin	FIRES	6	807	33	24	184	160	1,214
	ACRES	31	1,001,948	41,289	505	232,601	30,678	1,307,052
Southwest	FIRES	932	342	12	129	2,194	1,847	5,456
	ACRES	15,914	32,694	10,161	7,648	512,748	182,110	761,275
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	899	746	44	58	1,245	601	3,593
	ACRES	39,668	27,983	1,975	688	348,773	37,846	456,933
Eastern Area	FIRES	592		46	61	11,936	655	13,290
	ACRES	5,859		1,452	255	76,078	47,883	131,527
Southern Area	FIRES	1,112		175	48	40,779	1,048	43,162
	ACRES	170,414		16,803	19,212	2,174,571	53,692	2,434,692
TOTAL	FIRES	4,991	3,681	439	512	64,989	9,602	84,214
	ACRES	301,201	2,336,242	243,016	73,766	4,321,846	1,826,705	9,102,776

Ten Year Average Fires	67,532
Ten Year Average Acres	5,160,885

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### Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1				4	5
	ACRES		175				372	547
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			6				6
Northern Rockies	FIRES		2			1	3	6
	ACRES			302		15	92	409
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						41	41
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES			5			10	15
Eastern Area	FIRES			3			1	4
	ACRES			669			1	670
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						200	200
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	5	1	1	11	20
	ACRES	0	180	971	6	15	716	1,888

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs			1		7		8
	ACRES			9,610		2,429		12,039
Northwest	FIREs	15	129	67	2	1	263	477
	ACRES	6,852	22,674	7,007	131	180	35,172	72,016
Northern California	FIREs	17	23	21	4	13	104	182
	ACRES	207	2,991	27,410	66	18	4,717	35,409
Southern California	FIREs		6	8	7	3	65	89
	ACRES		870	320	915	43	2,689	4,837
Northern Rockies	FIREs	1	21	145	2	43	334	546
	ACRES	40	4,744	24,831	268	3,725	41,794	75,402
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	6	28	7	5	5	69	120
	ACRES	1,754	5,112	2,464	2,880	479	34,222	46,911
Western Great Basin	FIREs		11	4	3		2	20
	ACRES		3,102	14	183		1,110	4,409
Southwest	FIREs	37	23	5	12		156	233
	ACRES	5,400	13,470	8,456	4,181		52,974	84,481
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	34	25	112	15	34	103	323
	ACRES	5,564	5,981	22,448	8,996	1,767	30,147	74,903
Eastern Area	FIREs	41		565	35	1,545	151	2,337
	ACRES	15,178		62,903	4,959	76,135	29,052	188,227
Southern Area	FIREs	22		172	64	14,929	877	16,064
	ACRES	6,639		74,325	33,331	943,750	689,420	1,747,465
TOTAL	FIREs	173	266	1,107	149	16,580	2,124	20,399
	ACRES	41,634	58,944	239,788	55,910	1,028,526	921,297	2,346,099

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### WFU Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs			2		1		3
	ACRES			307		10		317
Northwest	FIREs		1		4		4	9
	ACRES		3		3,000		9,288	12,291
Northern California	FIREs				1		8	9
	ACRES				0		1,495	1,495
Southern California	FIREs				32		13	45
	ACRES				9,769		12,166	21,935
Northern Rockies	FIREs				6		111	117
	ACRES				2,206		31,010	33,216
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1			4		78	83
	ACRES	105			1,095		37,101	38,301
Western Great Basin	FIREs		6		7			13
	ACRES		3,026		323			3,349
Southwest	FIREs				19		33	52
	ACRES				315		35,927	36,242
Rocky Mountain	FIREs		6		1		6	13
	ACRES		0		0		10,230	10,230
Eastern Area	FIREs						3	3
	ACRES						1,697	1,697
Southern Area	FIREs				3		1	4
	ACRES				63		3,739	3,802
TOTAL	FIREs	1	13	2	77	1	257	351
	ACRES	105	3,029	307	16,771	10	142,653	162,875

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### Resources Status: Committed Resources

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest	3	4	22	26	6	2			105	122
Northern California	21		21	7	5	8	6		158	127
Southern California	5		9	1	4		10			
Northern Rockies	3	4	1				1		43	16
Eastern Great Basin		1		10	12			2		8
Western Great Basin					1					
Southwest					1					2
Rocky Mountain					3	5			6	3
Eastern Area										2
Southern Area										
Total	33	8	67	51	15	11	18	0	324	268

**\*\*\* National Interagency Coordination Center \*\*\***