

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, October 19, 2006 - 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (36 new fires)

New large fires: 0 (*)

Large fires contained: 0

Uncontained large fires: 2

Area Command Teams:

Type 1 IMTs committed:

Type 2 IMTs committed:

Fire Use Teams:

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

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 2

Bar Complex (three fires), Shasta-Trinity NF. Fourteen miles northwest of Weaverville, CA. Timber and brush. No further information received.

Uncles Complex (three fires), Klamath NF. Eighteen miles northeast of Orleans, CA. Old growth timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
Bar Complex	CA	SHF	100,414	84	10/25	35	1	1	1	0	61.2M	FS
Uncles Complex	CA	KNF	30,424	95	10/31	10	0	0	1	0	15.5M	FS

Predictive Services Discussion

Santa Ana winds in southern California will continue today. Gusty Santa Ana winds will continue today in southern California with warm temperatures and low humidity continuing into Friday. Some cooling and increased humidities are expected this weekend. Northern California will also be warm and dry the next few days with gusty northeast winds expected Friday night through Sunday.



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

Radio Narrowbanding

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- Federal Agencies are under a congressional mandate to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrowbanded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 Mhz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrowbanded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at www.radios.nifc.gov
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for yourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		0				3	3
	ACRES		1				0	1
Northern California	FIRES	1				6		7
	ACRES	0				0		0
Southern California	FIRES		5				1	6
	ACRES		1				0	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			5		6
	ACRES		0			2		2
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES					12		12
	ACRES					2		2
TOTAL	FIRES	1	6	0	0	24	5	36
	ACRES	0	2	0	0	4	0	6

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	220	447	41	36	1,223	1,673	3,640
	ACRES	8,236	402,871	4,623	5,562	149,638	395,912	966,842
Northern California	FIRES	146	74	9	28	3,233	966	4,456
	ACRES	251	5,957	206	10	103,607	208,228	318,259
Southern California	FIRES	87	97	13	54	2,122	812	3,185
	ACRES	307	5,245	7	6,471	70,590	241,729	324,349
Northern Rockies	FIRES	942	62	49	20	1,158	1,235	3,466
	ACRES	53,916	115,860	82,960	17,677	481,161	367,813	1,119,387
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	76	1,176	3	56	938	871	3,120
	ACRES	6,604	759,058	3	14,018	165,669	288,299	1,233,651
Western Great Basin	FIRES	6	831	33	24	188	163	1,245
	ACRES	31	1,010,938	41,289	505	256,948	30,831	1,340,542
Southwest	FIRES	933	343	12	129	2,140	1,852	5,409
	ACRES	15,914	32,694	10,161	7,641	499,597	182,108	748,115
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	899	756	37	58	1,248	615	3,613
	ACRES	39,669	28,930	1,978	688	353,069	37,642	461,976
Eastern Area	FIRES	592		46	61	12,050	667	13,416
	ACRES	5,859		1,452	255	83,856	47,922	139,344
Southern Area	FIRES	1,605		176	48	41,221	1,063	44,113
	ACRES	200,844		16,805	19,212	2,181,271	53,880	2,472,012
TOTAL	FIRES	5,511	3,803	428	517	65,786	9,919	85,964
	ACRES	331,696	2,365,453	242,138	73,361	4,527,682	1,854,367	9,394,697

Ten Year Average Fires	69,443
Ten Year Average Acres	5,251,617

*** 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	10					12	22
	ACRES	691					1,081	1,772
Northern California	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						115	115
Southern California	FIRES		0	1			1	2
	ACRES		120	400			42	562
Northern Rockies	FIRES				0	0	0	0
	ACRES				5	16	3	24
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1		0		2	3
	ACRES		10		8		138	156
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						3	3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	4	5
	ACRES					5	69	74
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	10	1	1	0	1	24	37
	ACRES	691	130	400	13	21	1,451	2,706

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	28	134	71	2	1	646	882
	ACRES	7,666	23,208	7,074	131	180	41,362	79,621
Northern California	FIRES	17	26	21	4	14	130	212
	ACRES	207	4,301	27,410	66	22	5,527	37,533
Southern California	FIRES		6	14	8	3	75	106
	ACRES		990	1,257	1,119	43	2,912	6,321
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	24	145	2	43	371	586
	ACRES	40	5,034	24,831	273	4,308	42,573	77,059
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	6	29	8	6	5	86	140
	ACRES	1,754	5,122	2,889	2,847	129	36,165	48,906
Western Great Basin	FIRES		14	4	3		2	23
	ACRES		3,159	14	183		1,115	4,471
Southwest	FIRES	38	23	5	12		177	255
	ACRES	5,400	13,470	8,456	4,181		55,534	87,041
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	34	33	113	15	35	117	347
	ACRES	5,184	7,831	22,453	8,996	1,772	30,227	76,463
Eastern Area	FIRES	42		568	35	1,560	153	2,358
	ACRES	15,222		63,143	4,959	76,704	29,194	189,222
Southern Area	FIRES	22		176	68	14,983	832	16,081
	ACRES	6,639		75,392	36,017	962,440	679,675	1,760,163
TOTAL	FIRES	188	289	1,126	155	16,651	2,589	20,998
	ACRES	42,112	63,115	242,529	58,772	1,048,027	924,284	2,378,839

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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				9,856		12,166	22,022
Northern Rockies	FIRES				6		110	116
	ACRES				2,206		32,435	34,641
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1			3		81	85
	ACRES	105			1,417		36,949	38,471
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	76	1	259	352
	ACRES	105	3,029	307	17,180	10	143,926	164,557

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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	1		14	2					45	27
Northern California	5	2	5		3		5		8	1
Southern California	5	1	3		3		9		50	9
Northern Rockies			3						6	
Eastern Great Basin			3						10	
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	11	3	28	2	6	0	14	0	119	37

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