

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, July 16, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (144 new fires)
 New large fires: 12 (*)
 Large fires contained: 4
 Uncontained large fires**: 26
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 2
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

Nationally, there are 40 large fires being managed with minimal or no resource commitment that are not shown on today's report.

** Uncontained large fires do not include confine/contain and resource benefit incidents. **

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires: 3
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 NIMOs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Railbelt Complex (3 fires), Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Allen). Twelve miles southwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tussock with mixed hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with group-tree torching. Numerous structures threatened.

Shanta Creek, Kenai – Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF. NIMO (Gage). Started on FWS land twelve miles southeast of Soldotna, AK. Spruce. Moderate fire activity with isolated torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Rock Slough, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Started on FWS land, forty-seven miles northeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Black spruce, brush and tundra. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened.

Logging Slash, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Twenty-three miles northeast of Nenana, AK. Mixed spruce and hardwood slash. Smoldering.

Upper Healy River, Delta Area, Alaska DOF. Forty-six miles east of Delta Junction, AK. Black spruce and hardwoods. Creeping and smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
Railbelt Complex	AK	FAS	178,129	16,785	3	UNK	355	2	12	5	5	0	2.7M	ST
Shanta Creek	AK	KKS	12,578	-1,183	0	10/10	452	-44	12	10	4	0	3.3M	FWS
Rock Slough	AK	UYD	15,400	719	NR	UNK	95	-1	4	0	2	0	1.9M	FWS

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Logging Slash	AK	FAS	118	0	80	7/17	61	-36	3	0	0	0	646K	ST
Upper Healy River	AK	DAS	61	-59	60	8/1	87	71	4	0	0	0	NR	ST

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 19
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 2
NIMOs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Backbone, Six Rivers NF. NIMO (Custer) and IMT2 (Swartzlander). Twelve miles northeast of Willow Creek, CA. Timber and heavy dead and down fuels. Active fire behavior.

* **Howland**, Plumas NF. Two miles east of LaPorte, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior.

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
Backbone	CA	SRF	6,314	92	40	8/30	1,195	-28	35	8	12	0	10.7M	FS
* Howland	CA	PNF	120	---	15	7/17	265	---	6	8	6	0	400K	FS

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

* **Redrock**, Carson City Field Office, BLM. IMT2 (Whalen). IMT is also managing the Trailer 1 fire. Twenty-five miles northwest of Reno, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and hardwood slash. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

* **Trailer 1**, Carson City Field Office, BLM. Twenty-five miles north of Reno, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and hardwood slash. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

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
* Redrock	NV	CCD	1,100	---	5	7/17	121	---	4	6	0	0	NR	BLM
* Trailer 1	NC	CCD	700	---	15	7/19	135	---	5	5	3	0	NR	BLM

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 16
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2

Horse Valley, Dixie NF. Ten miles southwest of Panguitch, UT. Timber. No further information received.

Bridge, Dixie NF. Previously reported confine / contain incident. Eight miles southwest of Bryce Canyon, UT. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning, torching and short-range spotting.

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
Horse Valley	UT	DIF	2,916	0	74	UNK	244	-56	7	4	4	1	1.5M	FS
Bridge	UT	DIF	2,500	---	10	7/25	73	---	3	3	0	0	NR	FS

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 30
 New large fires: 5
 Uncontained large fires: 9

Martin, Texas Forest Service. Ten miles northwest of Jacksboro, TX. Juniper and cedar brush. No further information received.

* **Baines**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles south of Bridgeport, TX. Juniper and oak brush. Active fire behavior with running and spotting.

Lost Plains, Texas Forest Service. Nine miles northwest of Wimberly, TX. Cedar and oak brush. No further information received.

* **Bryson**, Texas Forest Service. Six miles south of Jacksboro, TX. Juniper and oak brush. No further information received.

Bishop, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land eleven miles northeast of Stephenville, TX. Juniper and cedar brush. No further information received.

Airstrip, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land twelve miles north of Bastrop, TX. Timber. No further information received.

Switchback, Southeast Area, Oklahoma DOF. Six miles southwest of Smithville, OK. Timber. No further information received.

* **Bishop II**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land six miles northeast of Newton, TX. Timber. Active fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened.

* **Wilkerson Hollow**, Northeast Area, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles west of Westville, OK. Hardwood litter. No further information received.

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
Martin	TX	TXS	1,078	0	95	7/16	44	0	0	13	0	0	NR	ST
* Baines	TX	TXS	660	---	70	7/17	17	---	0	0	1	0	NR	PRI
Lost Plains	TX	TXS	500	0	70	7/17	99	0	0	0	3	0	NR	ST
* Bryson	TX	TXS	487	---	85	7/17	17	---	0	0	1	0	NR	ST
Bishop	TX	TXS	350	0	80	7/17	17	0	0	0	1	0	NR	PRI

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Airstrip	TX	TXS	335	0	90	7/16	54	0	0	7	2	0	NR	PRI
Switchback	OK	SEU	165	18	60	UNK	12	0	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Bishop II	TX	TXS	150	---	90	7/16	10	---	0	0	1	0	NR	PRI
* Wilkerson Hollow	OK	NEU	120	---	80	UNK	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
Chester	OK	OKS	41,497	0	100	---	23	-26	0	8	0	27	250K	ST
* Linden #180	TX	TXS	400	---	100	---	10	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI

OKS – Oklahoma DOF

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7
New large fires: 4
Uncontained large fires: 3

Cross, Kaibab NF. Managed for resource benefit objectives. Eighteen miles southeast of Williams, AZ. Hardwood litter. Backing fire with isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs

* **Texas Hill**, Carlsbad Field Office, BLM. Forty miles west of Carlsbad, NM. Juniper, brush and hardwood slash. Active fire behavior with running and spotting.

* **San Juan**, Papago Agency, BIA. Fourteen miles east of Sells, AZ. Manzanita and oak brush, hardwood slash. Moderate fire activity.

Fourth of July Complex, Coconino NF. Previously reported confine / contain incident. Managed for resource benefit objectives. Six miles southeast of Clints Well, AZ. Harwood litter and logging slash. Backing and flanking fire. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Moore, Gila NF. Previously reported confine / contain incident. Managed for resource benefit objectives. Forty-five miles northeast of Silver City, NM. Timber and hardwood litter. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Deer, Colorado River Agency, BIA. Ten miles west of Parker, AZ. Chaparral. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

* **Turkey**, Gila NF. Managed for resource benefit objectives. Sixteen miles west of Winston, NM. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire activity. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Wagon Draw**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Confine / contain management strategy. Eight miles north of Forest Lakes, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Last 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
Cross	AZ	KNF	4,455	1,435	0	UNK	148	5	4	8	1	0	750K	FS
* Texas Hill	NM	CAD	1,800	---	10	UNK	55	---	1	12	0	0	50K	BLM
* San Juan	AZ	PPA	1,500	---	5	7/20	105	---	3	5	1	0	35K	BIA

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Fourth of July Complex	AZ	COF	1,800	---	0	UNK	57	---	2	2	0	0	85K	FS
Moore	NM	GNF	1,100	123	0	UNK	3	-22	0	0	0	0	0	FS
Deer	AZ	CRA	402	0	95	UNK	34	-41	1	2	1	0	120K	BIA
* Turkey	NM	GNF	200	---	0	UNK	16	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
* Wagon Draw	AZ	ASF	200	---	0	UNK	25	---	1	0	0	0	NR	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

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

Grammar, Uncompahgre Field Office, BLM. Five miles northwest of Norwood, CO. Timber and logging slash.
Moderate fire activity.

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
Grammar	CO	UPD	877	377	25	7/17	108	0	3	10	2	0	NR	BLM

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 24
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
Osito	CA	ANF	304	4	100	---	50	-446	2	1	0	0	NR	FS

ANF – Angeles NF

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 14
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
Lava Flat	OR	952S	167	0	100	---	30	-85	1	3	0	0	300K	ST

952S – John Day Unit, Oregon DOF

Predictive Services Discussion: Hot and dry conditions will continue across the West today. Thunderstorms, some dry, will continue across the Southwest and move into southeastern California. Wet thunderstorms are still possible across Montana. Slight warming will develop across Alaska with mixed wet and dry thunderstorms.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



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

Dozer/Tractor Plow Operations

Dozers/tractor plows provide suppression and support capability for fire operations. When working on or around dozers on the fireline, it is important to respect the following guidelines:

- Load/unload equipment from the transport in a safe manner on a level, stable surface.
- Park transport in an area free of fuel. Clear an area if needed to protect parked equipment.
- Do not sit or bed down near equipment. Walk around the equipment before starting or moving it.
- Lower the dozer blade and/or fire plow to the ground when the equipment is idling or stopped.
- When working a dozer or tractor plow, stay at least 100 feet in front or 50 feet behind the equipment.
- Allow no one but the operator to ride on the equipment.
- Never get on or off equipment while it is moving.
- Provide front and rear lights for equipment working at night or in heavy smoke.
- Provide lights and fluorescent vests to personnel working with dozer/tractor plow units.
- Use hand signals for direction and safety. (See Fireline Handbook, Appendix A, for hand signals.)
- Do not use a dozer or tractor plow without a canopy or brush guard and radio communications.
- Operators will wear required PPE and carry a fire shelter.
- Be aware of different fuel types, rates of spread, and flammability.
- Watch for wetlands, steep slopes, rocks, ditches, and other obstacles that might stop the equipment.
- Do not get too far ahead of a firing crew during firing operations.
- Anchor the line to a secure firebreak and create a black line (burn out) until the fire is completely enclosed.
- Tractor plow operators should wear headgear protection for head, face, eyes, and ears while also providing radio reception and ventilation capabilities.
- Tractor plow crews should consist of a minimum of two people.
- When the dozer or tractor plow is equipped with a hand-clutch lever, always take equipment out of gear when mounting and dismounting.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		2		3
	ACRES			3		2		5
Northwest	FIRES	4			2	2	6	14
	ACRES	102			1	1	2	106
Northern California	FIRES					16	3	19
	ACRES					24	0	24
Southern California	FIRES					21	3	24
	ACRES					19	32	51
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	1			1	2	5
	ACRES	0	1			0	5	6
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5			7	4	16
	ACRES		31			78	15	124
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		1,800					1,800
Southwest	FIRES	1	3		0	1	2	7
	ACRES	1,500	1,994		3	2	334	3,833
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			2	1	4
	ACRES		40			0	0	40
Eastern Area	FIRES					19	1	20
	ACRES					39	1	40
Southern Area	FIRES			1		27	2	30
	ACRES			2		653	3	658
TOTAL	FIRES	6	12	2	2	98	24	144
	ACRES	1,602	3,866	5	4	818	392	6,687

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	31	18	301	16	404
	ACRES	1	130,979	269,815	16,414	490,572	8	907,789
Northwest	FIRES	231	105	1	12	443	331	1,123
	ACRES	1,218	1,831	1	145	1,044	956	5,195
Northern California	FIRES	71	25	3	11	1,169	370	1,649
	ACRES	68	19	4	1	6,213	6,789	13,094
Southern California	FIRES	26	83	7	8	1,790	315	2,229
	ACRES	42	610	23	1,714	8,178	5,246	15,813
Northern Rockies	FIRES	439	29	10	9	296	218	1,001
	ACRES	1,061	666	391	2	15,408	319	17,847
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	22	147	3	18	214	105	509
	ACRES	29	2,261	186	501	936	6,284	10,197
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	138	2	5	47	45	240
	ACRES	20	2,341	0	0	113	15	2,489
Southwest	FIRES	459	196	7	42	711	542	1,957
	ACRES	14,290	69,930	145	3,703	281,717	46,222	416,007
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	304	171	13	9	289	108	894
	ACRES	1,457	1,857	533	61	63,305	237	67,450
Eastern Area	FIRES	408		30	25	11,317	497	12,277
	ACRES	1,211		808	110	102,908	6,579	111,616
Southern Area	FIRES	295		163	52	28,598	538	29,646
	ACRES	35,258		35,875	43,957	853,645	25,790	994,525
TOTAL	FIRES	2,259	931	270	209	45,175	3,085	51,929
	ACRES	54,655	210,494	307,781	66,608	1,824,039	98,445	2,562,022

Ten Year Average Fires	47,226
Ten Year Average Acres	2,879,042

*** 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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						150	150
Western Great Basin	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		70					70
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						600	600
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES			1		6		7
	ACRES			3		92		95
Southern Area	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						2,621	2,621
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	6	7	14
	ACRES	0	70	3	0	92	3,371	3,536

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					3,338		3,338
Northwest	FIRES	15	107	19	2	1	88	232
	ACRES	7,122	7,946	4,068	31	1	12,361	31,529
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	20	46	26	163	297
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,582	1,450	2,891	7,697	41,359
Southern California	FIRES		7	9	5	1	115	137
	ACRES		564	748	1,078	195	8,627	11,212
Northern Rockies	FIRES	22	25	76	2	24	181	330
	ACRES	1,973	3,886	18,348	345	2,241	17,473	44,266
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	19	2	7	21	50	100
	ACRES	8	2,485	770	282	180	13,381	17,106
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2			5	15
	ACRES		1,812	62			219	2,093
Southwest	FIRES	25	29	3	8		210	275
	ACRES	1,739	54,390	501	1,099		106,534	164,263
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	65	45	108	10	43	121	392
	ACRES	7,304	4,759	18,786	5,851	1,577	28,552	66,829
Eastern Area	FIRES	67		420	40	1,791	165	2,483
	ACRES	72,214		63,901	9,200	82,134	45,670	273,119
Southern Area	FIRES	5		254	80	802	1,035	2,176
	ACRES	2,370		130,230	90,752	296,715	950,420	1,470,487
TOTAL	FIRES	226	256	913	200	2,718	2,133	6,446
	ACRES	92,954	78,357	263,996	110,088	389,272	1,190,934	2,125,601

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	5	18	1,027	40,855
Yukon Territory	0	2	57	38,274
Alberta	1	8,691	1,143	64,161
Northwest Territory	0	0	19	746
Saskatchewan	0	0	453	37,343
Manitoba	1	2	130	2,438
Ontario	4	1	308	20,101
Quebec	0	0	407	122,402
Newfoundland	2	0	153	34,467
New Brunswick	0	0	153	232
Nova Scotia	1	1	148	934
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	66	32,860
Total	14	8,714	4,064	394,813

Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>.

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