

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, October 6, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (83 new fires)
New large fires: 0 (*)
Large fires contained: 2
Uncontained large fires : ** 6
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Nationally, there are 61 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.

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 18
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Sheep, San Bernardino NF. Unified command between IMT2 (Woychak) and San Bernardino County. Four miles north of Lytle Creek, CA. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Community of Wrightwood evacuated. Highways 2 closed.

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	CA	BDF	7,128	128	30	10/8	1,715	779	45	162	9	5	3.8M	FS

Southwest Area (PL 2)

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

Twin, Kaibab NF. IMT1 (Van Bruggen) Three miles southwest of Williams, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire activity. 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
Twin	AZ	KNF	921	0	20	10/11	506	41	12	26	7	0	1.7M	FS

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 11
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 3

Boze, Umpqua NF. Nine miles southwest of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber. Smoldering.

Tumblebug Complex, Willamette NF. Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

Preston-Fox, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Twenty miles west of Entiat, WA. Hardwood litter and brush. No new information.

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
Boze	OR	UPF	16,725	0	N/A	N/A	57	-11	2	3	0	0	7M	FS
Tumblebug Complex	OR	WIF	14,560	0	45	UNK	218	7	4	11	3	0	12M	FS
Preston-Fox	WA	OWF	450	---	5	10/14	12	---	2	1	1	0	85K	FS
Ahtanum #1	WA	YAA	2,750	1,750	100	---	21	-17	0	6	0	0	NR	BIA

YAA – Yakima Agency, BIA

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 5
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Nugget, Idaho Panhandle NF. Started on private land eight miles southeast of Avery, ID. Timber. No new information.

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
Nugget	ID	IPF	1,250	---	80	UNK	38	---	2	1	0	0	253K	PRI

Southern Area (PL 1)

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
Tour Loop	TX	ARR	4,000	0	100	---	16	-12	0	6	0	0	NR	FWS

ARR – Aransas NWR, FWS

Predictive Services Discussion: High pressure will be building over the Pacific Northwest while a low pressure system develops off the southern California coast. This will bring a little warmer and drier to most of the West today. An offshore flow will develop over northern and central California.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Motorized Operations Category.

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.

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1			6	4	11
	ACRES		0			6	1	7
Northern California	FIRES					19		19
	ACRES					115		115
Southern California	FIRES					17	1	18
	ACRES					49	3,000	3,049
Northern Rockies	FIRES					3	2	5
	ACRES					1	1	2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					6		6
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1			1	2	4
	ACRES		1			0	1	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			1		23		24
	ACRES			0		12		12
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	1	0	71	9	83
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	189	3,003	3,193

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	49	42	21	376	27	516
	ACRES	1	764,818	754,710	101,190	1,321,312	10	2,942,041
Northwest	FIRES	384	315	26	80	1,032	1,382	3,219
	ACRES	6,792	27,398	2,353	2,221	55,947	47,133	141,844
Northern California	FIRES	153	62	4	37	2,665	873	3,794
	ACRES	127	1,533	5	1,754	62,703	35,450	101,572
Southern California	FIRES	43	183	16	23	3,266	563	4,094
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	45	10,413	23,663	268,476	308,394
Northern Rockies	FIRES	788	121	17	33	638	832	2,429
	ACRES	3,631	1,017	397	10,878	24,718	24,083	64,724
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	535	5	29	603	542	1,763
	ACRES	106	69,569	226	4,782	17,048	41,883	133,614
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	402	9	11	102	142	676
	ACRES	2,440	29,477	150	22	956	303	33,348
Southwest	FIRES	819	261	10	63	889	1,323	3,365
	ACRES	46,719	89,393	3,843	8,010	288,142	133,766	569,873
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	607	432	19	26	688	394	2,166
	ACRES	3,104	9,199	535	67	72,937	8,003	93,845
Eastern Area	FIRES	438		37	29	12,906	567	13,977
	ACRES	1,241		875	110	113,084	6,701	122,011
Southern Area	FIRES	693		235	54	32,893	578	34,453
	ACRES	90,873		48,205	44,166	943,812	31,012	1,158,068
TOTAL	FIRES	3,985	2,360	420	406	56,058	7,223	70,452
	ACRES	156,623	996,612	811,344	183,613	2,924,322	596,820	5,669,334

Ten Year Average Fires	68,815
Ten Year Average Acres	6,297,908

*** 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			2				2
	ACRES			297				297
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1				4	5
	ACRES		52				494	546
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	2	0	0	4	7
	ACRES	0	52	297	0	0	494	843

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					3,438	95	3,533
Northwest	FIRES	15	118	17	4	1	88	243
	ACRES	6,242	31,099	3,036	47	1	25,500	65,925
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	25	47	20	111	245
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,967	1,540	2,512	6,834	40,592
Southern California	FIRES	1	7	11	2	1	116	138
	ACRES	1	564	1,045	164	195	8,628	10,597
Northern Rockies	FIRES	27	26	92	2	27	223	397
	ACRES	2,851	4,321	21,824	345	2,295	25,736	57,372
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	4	7	24	95	154
	ACRES	8	11,416	1,225	282	206	22,859	35,996
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	2			6	12
	ACRES		1,652	62			859	2,573
Southwest	FIRES	40	31	3	4		248	326
	ACRES	13,285	50,980	501	530		127,476	192,772
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	69	43	131	15	49	146	453
	ACRES	7,854	4,799	21,198	7,686	1,662	31,489	74,688
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		550	51	2,594	190	3,456
	ACRES	72,390		74,154	9,251	150,725	52,372	358,892
Southern Area	FIRES	7		284	85	816	1,110	2,302
	ACRES	3,056		150,289	92,929	299,369	1,004,965	1,550,608
TOTAL	FIRES	257	268	1,119	217	3,541	2,334	7,736
	ACRES	105,911	107,346	300,301	112,774	460,403	1,306,813	2,393,548

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

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