

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, October 22, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

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

Nationally, there are 53 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.

Southwest Area (PL 2)

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

Bachelor, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Nine miles southeast of Christopher Creek, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire activity with 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
Bachelor	AZ	ASF	545	445	40	10/30	108	6	5	6	1	0	135K	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Warmer and lower humidity today in Southern California with gusty northeast winds in the passes and canyons late today and into Friday morning. Arizona will be warm and dry with light winds. The rest of the West should be dry except for some showers over Idaho and Montana.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.**

DOWNHILL FIRELINE CONSTRUCTION CHECKLIST

Downhill fireline construction is hazardous in steep terrain, fast-burning fuels, or rapidly changing weather. Downhill fireline construction should not be attempted unless there is no tactical alternative. When building downhill fireline, the following is required:

- Crew supervisor(s) and fireline overhead will discuss assignments prior to committing crew(s). Responsible overhead individual (TFLD or ICT4 qualified or better) will stay with resources until the job is completed.
- Decision will be made after proposed fireline has been scouted by supervisor(s) of involved crew(s).
- LCES will be coordinated for all personnel involved.
 - Crew supervisor(s) is in direct contact with lookout who can see the fire.
 - Communication is established between all crews.
 - Ensure rapid access to safety zone(s) in case fire crosses below crew(s).
- Direct attack will be used whenever possible; if not possible, the fireline should be completed between anchor points before being fired out.
- Fireline will not lie in or adjacent to a chute or chimney.
- Starting point will be anchored for crew(s) building fireline down from the top.
- Bottom of the fire will be monitored; if the potential exists for the fire to spread, action will be taken to secure the fire edge.
- Can fire be carried with you?

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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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					4	1	5
	ACRES					11	0	11
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	0					0	0
	ACRES	35					443	478
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					18		18
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	10	2	12
	ACRES	35	0	0	0	30	443	508

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	389	320	26	80	1,077	1,451	3,343
	ACRES	9,573	30,770	2,353	2,221	56,106	48,499	149,522
Northern California	FIRES	155	64	4	39	2,793	883	3,938
	ACRES	1,464	1,535	5	1,759	63,112	36,828	104,703
Southern California	FIRES	43	184	16	33	3,382	577	4,235
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	45	6,021	23,708	268,515	304,086
Northern Rockies	FIRES	818	121	18	33	650	845	2,485
	ACRES	4,110	1,015	398	10,878	24,722	24,046	65,169
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	49	542	5	30	616	539	1,781
	ACRES	106	69,628	226	7,038	18,164	42,270	137,432
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	402	9	11	102	143	677
	ACRES	2,440	29,477	150	22	956	318	33,363
Southwest	FIRES	834	266	10	63	856	1,344	3,373
	ACRES	47,054	89,439	3,843	8,010	287,217	143,554	579,117
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	612	474	19	29	704	403	2,241
	ACRES	3,103	10,642	535	67	73,088	8,004	95,439
Eastern Area	FIRES	438		42	29	12,948	566	14,023
	ACRES	1,241		889	110	113,101	6,701	122,042
Southern Area	FIRES	700		235	54	34,819	589	36,397
	ACRES	90,892		48,205	44,166	964,432	31,072	1,178,767
TOTAL	FIRES	4,049	2,422	426	422	58,323	7,367	73,009
	ACRES	161,573	1,001,532	811,359	181,482	2,945,918	609,817	5,711,681

Ten Year Average Fires	70,682
Ten Year Average Acres	6,418,533

*** 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						1	1
	ACRES						46	46
Northern California	FIRES				0		7	7
	ACRES				2		387	389
Southern California	FIRES			1			0	1
	ACRES			200			110	310
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	8	9
	ACRES					36	112	148
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					0	1	1
	ACRES					2	104	106
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						65	65
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						35	35
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	1	20	22
	ACRES	0	0	200	2	38	859	1,099

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	18	148	22	4	1	171	364
	ACRES	6,487	34,413	3,123	47	1	34,241	78,312
Northern California	FIRES	26	17	27	64	23	200	357
	ACRES	224	2,515	27,707	2,517	2,540	11,239	46,742
Southern California	FIRES	1	10	14	11	1	124	161
	ACRES	1	636	1,932	1,465	195	9,120	13,349
Northern Rockies	FIRES	35	29	92	2	48	305	511
	ACRES	9,656	4,466	21,824	345	3,945	27,776	68,012
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	27	4	14	37	113	196
	ACRES	8	13,087	1,225	701	1,445	24,743	41,209
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	2			6	12
	ACRES		1,652	62			859	2,573
Southwest	FIRES	41	20	3	4		258	326
	ACRES	13,370	45,612	501	530		130,394	190,407
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	77	49	132	16	54	158	486
	ACRES	9,652	5,241	21,328	7,706	2,076	33,516	79,519
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		547	51	2,656	211	3,536
	ACRES	72,390		78,315	9,251	154,893	53,053	367,902
Southern Area	FIRES	7		287	85	816	1,110	2,305
	ACRES	3,056		156,381	92,929	299,369	1,004,700	1,556,435
TOTAL	FIRES	277	304	1,130	251	3,645	2,657	8,264
	ACRES	114,844	107,622	312,398	115,491	467,902	1,329,736	2,447,993

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

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