

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Saturday September 19, 2009 – 0530 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (62 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires : ** 4
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Nationally, there are 68 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.

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 3
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Milepost 38, Colville Agency, BIA. Washington IMT 2 (Reed). Three miles south of Nespelem, WA. Timber, brush and grass. No new information.

Boze, Umpqua NF. Nine miles southwest of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber. No new information.

Tumblebug Complex, Willamette NF. Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Moderate fire activity with torching and 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
Milepost 38	WA	COA	1,923	---	5	UNK	159	---	2	21	1	0	330K	BIA
Boze	OR	UPF	650	---	20	9/21	171	---	9	3	5	0	500K	FS
Tumblebug Complex	OR	WIF	230	30	10	9/26	453	69	12	11	6	0	1.6M	FS
Lobert	OR	WNF	115	2	100	---	67	-72		6	0	0	64K	FS

WNF – Winema NF

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 14
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Station, Angeles NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Four miles north of La Canada, CA. Chaparral. Creeping fire. Structures and a major communications facility threatened. Road closures in effect.

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
Station	CA	ANF	160,557	0	93	9/22	747	-17	15	27	4	209	83.8M	FS

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 2
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 0

* **Bow**, Coconino NF. Incident is being managed for resource benefit objectives. Twenty-seven miles east of Camp Verde, AZ. Ponderosa pine, logging slash and grass. Backing fire. Last report unless significant fire activity occurs.

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* Bow	AZ	COF	150	---	N/A	N/A	3	---	0	1	0	0	10K	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 9
New large fires: 1
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
* Robinson	WY	COX	314	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	CNTY

COX – Converse County

Predictive Services Discussion: A cold front will move across the Pacific Northwest, Idaho and western Montana today with scattered showers, gusty winds and a few thunderstorms. Ahead of the front, eastern Montana will be hot, dry and windy. The Sierras will also be dry and windy. The rest of the West will be mostly warm and dry except for some thunderstorms over Wyoming and the Four Corner States.

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



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

Extreme Fire Behavior

Extreme fire behavior has always been present in cases of shelter deployment. It is critical for firefighters to maintain situational awareness of live and dead fuel moisture conditions as well as predicted and current weather conditions. As fire behavior changes, it is critical to act decisively to the changing situation.

● Discuss the following indicators of extreme fire behavior:

- Relative humidity less than 15%
- 1-hour fuel moisture less than 5%
- Trees crowning inside the fireline
- Smoldering fires that exist in the early part of the day are beginning to burn very actively as the day progresses.
- Approaching thunderheads with dark clouds beneath
- Presence of dust devils indicating an unstable atmosphere
- Increased spotting
- Sudden calm
- High clouds moving fast in direction different from surface wind
- Predicted Haines Index of 5 and 6 in those areas where this level is a good indicator of atmospheric instability

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0			0		0
	ACRES		1			1,643		1,644
Northwest	FIRES	1				3	3	7
	ACRES	1				1	0	2
Northern California	FIRES				1	11		12
	ACRES				1	1		2
Southern California	FIRES		1		0	11	2	14
	ACRES		0		25	3	9	37
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1				1	1	3
	ACRES	1				0	2	3
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					4	3	7
	ACRES					6	21	27
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	3				1	5	9
	ACRES	1				314	1	316
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					7		7
TOTAL	FIRES	5	2	0	1	38	16	62
	ACRES	3	1	0	26	1,975	33	2,038

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	50	41	21	376	26	515
	ACRES	1	759,081	753,545	101,312	1,321,305	10	2,935,254
Northwest	FIRES	318	305	25	74	997	1,293	3,012
	ACRES	5,713	27,028	2,352	2,220	55,667	26,878	119,858
Northern California	FIRES	108	62	3	37	2,388	843	3,441
	ACRES	110	1,533	4	1,754	60,048	35,105	98,554
Southern California	FIRES	42	177	14	32	2,965	524	3,754
	ACRES	1,589	4,208	30	10,208	22,522	261,629	300,186
Northern Rockies	FIRES	723	120	17	31	601	782	2,274
	ACRES	2,529	1,017	397	193	23,258	10,553	37,947
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	47	517	4	29	561	516	1,674
	ACRES	105	58,740	226	2,223	19,657	38,811	119,762
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	390	9	10	106	129	654
	ACRES	2,440	28,983	150	20	297	282	32,172
Southwest	FIRES	789	255	10	62	1,874	1,263	4,253
	ACRES	46,682	89,388	3,843	8,010	288,092	134,020	570,035
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	576	409	19	25	669	371	2,069
	ACRES	2,714	5,822	534	63	75,845	7,943	92,921
Eastern Area	FIRES	436		30	29	12,668	563	13,726
	ACRES	1,240		809	110	111,789	6,699	120,647
Southern Area	FIRES	298		234	54	33,466	571	34,623
	ACRES	35,259		44,205	44,166	973,085	30,994	1,127,709
TOTAL	FIRES	3,348	2,285	406	404	56,671	6,881	69,995
	ACRES	98,382	975,800	806,095	170,279	2,951,565	552,924	5,555,045

Ten Year Average Fires	66,104
Ten Year Average Acres	6,162,380

*** 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						1	1
	ACRES						8	8
Northwest	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		3,000					3,000
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						200	200
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						350	350
Eastern Area	FIRES	1				1		2
	ACRES	60				20		80
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	1	3	5
	ACRES	60	3,000	0	0	20	558	3,638

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					9	1	10
	ACRES					3,338	8	3,346
Northwest	FIRES	14	116	11	2	1	78	222
	ACRES	6,132	26,099	2,827	31	1	23,233	58,323
Northern California	FIRES	26	16	22	46	20	100	230
	ACRES	224	2,515	26,585	1,450	2,512	6,398	39,684
Southern California	FIRES	1	7	9	7	1	116	141
	ACRES	1	564	748	1,248	195	8,628	11,384
Northern Rockies	FIRES	23	26	85	2	26	205	367
	ACRES	2,062	4,321	21,428	345	2,255	23,411	53,822
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	23	4	7	23	86	144
	ACRES	8	11,320	1,225	282	190	15,778	28,803
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2			6	11
	ACRES		1,452	62			859	2,373
Southwest	FIRES	40	31	3	4		229	307
	ACRES	9,485	50,780	501	530		111,827	173,123
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	69	33	129	14	46	125	416
	ACRES	7,522	3,209	20,665	7,678	1,580	29,001	69,655
Eastern Area	FIRES	71		497	47	2,580	188	3,383
	ACRES	72,342		69,630	9,226	149,923	51,120	352,241
Southern Area	FIRES	6		284	85	816	1,109	2,300
	ACRES	2,450		150,289	92,929	299,369	1,002,513	1,547,550
TOTAL	FIRES	251	255	1,046	214	3,522	2,243	7,531
	ACRES	100,226	100,260	293,960	113,719	459,363	1,272,776	2,340,304

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	84	1,916	3,012	212,547
Yukon Territory	0	0	118	294,907
Alberta	34	0	1,506	64,266
Northwest Territory	0	0	41	1,955
Saskatchewan	10	13	505	37,776
Manitoba	4	8	158	2,813
Ontario	14	27	352	20,650
Quebec	16	0	467	122,685
Newfoundland	5	1	176	52,593
New Brunswick	3	2	183	248
Nova Scotia	6	2	166	931
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	128	36,957
Total	176	1,968	6,812	848,329

*****CIFFC table updated weekly*****

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

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