

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Sunday September 20, 2009 – 0530 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (82 new fires)  
 New large fires: 2 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 0  
 Uncontained large fires : \*\* 6  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

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

**Boze**, Umpqua NF. NIMO (Cable). Nine miles southwest of Toketee Falls, OR. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

**Milepost 38**, Colville Agency, BIA. Washington IMT 2 (Reed). Three miles south of Nespelem, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Smoldering.

**Tumblebug Complex**, Willamette NF. Twenty-three miles southeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber. 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 |
|-------------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Boze              | OR | UPF  | 1,700 | 1,050            | 30    | 9/23    | 352       | 181              | 14  | 4   | 5    | 0         | 700K     | FS         |
| Milepost 38       | WA | COA  | 1,923 | 0                | 95    | 9/20    | 248       | 89               | 5   | 23  | 1    | 0         | 810K     | BIA        |
| Tumblebug Complex | OR | WIF  | 300   | 70               | 10    | 9/26    | 453       | 0                | 12  | 9   | 7    | 0         | 2.2M     | FS         |

**Northern California Area (PL 2)**

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

\* **Silver**, Plumas NF. IMT 2 (Swartzlander). Two miles northwest of Meadow Valley, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Residences threatened. Evacuations 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 |
|---------------|----|------|------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| * Silver      | CA | PNF  | 150  | ---              | 0     | UNK     | 300       | ---              | 12  | 25  | 5    | 0         | 100K     | FS         |

### **Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 19  
 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.

| 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    | 749       | 2                | 14  | 27  | 8    | 209       | 84.5M    | FS         |

### **Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 15  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

\* **Highway 46**, Twin Falls District, BLM. Nine miles north of Gooding, ID. Brush and grass. 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 |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| * Highway 46  | ID | TFD  | 1,500 | ---              | 30    | UNK     | 45        | ---              | 0   | 11  | 2    | 0         | 15K      | BLM        |

### **Southwest Area (PL 2)**

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

**Fracas**, Kaibab NF. Previously reported incident is being managed for resource benefit objectives. Five miles south of Jacob Lake, AZ. Timber and hardwood litter. 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 |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Fracas        | AZ | KNF  | 2,300 | 2,100            | N/A   | N/A     | 43        | ---              | 1   | 4   | 0    | 0         | 499K     | FS         |

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Dry weather is on tap over the West today except for some showers and thunderstorms from Montana southward to the Four Corner States. Gusty north to east winds are expected over portions of northern California.

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



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### **Extreme Fire Behavior (continued)**

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 how the following factors can contribute or lead to extreme fire behavior:
  - Frost Kill: Has there been a late or unusually extensive freeze? Is the loading of frost-killed fuels high?
  - Drought Conditions: Live Fuel Moistures Index, KBDI, Soil Moisture Index, low humidity, high temperatures
  - Slope: Increases fire spread uphill, preheats fuels by convection, may channel winds
  - Sea Breeze/Foehn: Wind direction may vary throughout the day, humidity changes may occur, strong wind velocities may drive fire behavior to extremes.
- To aid situational awareness, track NFDRS live and dead fuel moisture outputs.
- Take hourly weather observations and track the hourly changes. By tracking fuel moisture and weather observations and using "Table 74: Fire Severity Related to Fuel Moisture Chart," firefighters can be alerted to those conditions that can lead to situations where there is a high potential for extreme fire behavior.

### 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 | 5   |     |     |     | 12    | 2     | 19    |
|                     | ACRES | 8   |     |     |     | 2     | 150   | 160   |
| Southern California | FIRES |     |     | 1   | 0   | 17    | 1     | 19    |
|                     | ACRES |     |     | 14  | 10  | 3     | 0     | 27    |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES | 4   |     |     |     | 3     | 0     | 7     |
|                     | ACRES | 2   |     |     |     | 0     | 8     | 10    |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |     | 5   |     |     |       | 10    | 15    |
|                     | ACRES |     | 0   |     |     |       | 0     | 0     |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Southwest           | FIRES |     | 3   |     |     |       | 13    | 16    |
|                     | ACRES |     | 3   |     |     |       | 2,102 | 2,105 |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES |     | 1   |     |     | 2     | 2     | 5     |
|                     | ACRES |     | 1   |     |     | 3     | 0     | 4     |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES |     |     |     |     | 1     |       | 1     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     | 0     |       | 0     |
| Southern Area       | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 9   | 9   | 1   | 0   | 35    | 28    | 82    |
|                     | ACRES | 10  | 4   | 14  | 10  | 8     | 2,260 | 2,306 |

### 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    | 303     | 25      | 74      | 997       | 1,297   | 3,014     |
|                     | ACRES | 5,713  | 27,028  | 2,352   | 2,220   | 55,667    | 26,887  | 119,867   |
| Northern California | FIRES | 113    | 62      | 3       | 37      | 2,277     | 845     | 3,337     |
|                     | ACRES | 118    | 1,533   | 4       | 1,754   | 59,817    | 35,255  | 98,481    |
| Southern California | FIRES | 42     | 177     | 15      | 32      | 2,993     | 525     | 3,784     |
|                     | ACRES | 1,589  | 4,208   | 44      | 10,218  | 22,528    | 261,629 | 300,216   |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES | 727    | 120     | 17      | 31      | 604       | 784     | 2,283     |
|                     | ACRES | 2,531  | 1,017   | 397     | 193     | 23,258    | 10,915  | 38,311    |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 47     | 522     | 4       | 29      | 561       | 539     | 1,702     |
|                     | 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    | 258     | 10      | 62      | 1,874     | 1,275   | 4,268     |
|                     | ACRES | 46,682 | 89,391  | 3,843   | 8,010   | 288,092   | 134,022 | 570,040   |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES | 576    | 410     | 19      | 25      | 671       | 373     | 2,074     |
|                     | ACRES | 2,714  | 5,816   | 534     | 63      | 75,848    | 7,943   | 92,918    |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES | 436    |         | 30      | 29      | 12,679    | 563     | 13,737    |
|                     | 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 | 3,357  | 2,292   | 407     | 404     | 56,604    | 6,927   | 69,991    |
|                     | ACRES | 98,392 | 975,797 | 806,109 | 170,289 | 2,951,343 | 553,447 | 5,555,377 |

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Ten Year Average Fires</b> | <b>66,499</b>    |
| <b>Ten Year Average Acres</b> | <b>6,192,060</b> |

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### 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 |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Southwest           | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       | 0     | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       | 950   | 950   |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       | 2     | 2     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       | 180   | 180   |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Southern Area       | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0     | 2     | 2     |
|                     | ACRES | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0     | 1,130 | 1,130 |

### 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      | 4       | 1       | 78        | 224       |
|                     | ACRES | 6,132   | 26,099  | 2,827   | 47      | 1       | 23,233    | 58,339    |
| 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      | 127       | 418       |
|                     | ACRES | 7,522   | 3,209   | 20,665  | 7,678   | 1,580   | 29,181    | 69,835    |
| 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   | 216     | 3,522   | 2,245     | 7,535     |
|                     | ACRES | 100,226 | 100,260 | 293,960 | 113,735 | 459,363 | 1,272,956 | 2,340,500 |

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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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