

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, July 7, 2010 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (173 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 6
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Nationally, there are 48 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy. **

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

Interagency personnel are assigned to a number of locations in the Gulf of Mexico to assess and mitigate impacts resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

- Support to the Fish and Wildlife Service include these areas: Delta, Breton and Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuges, as well as Houma, LA and Mobile, AL.

- Support to the National Park Service include these areas: Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jean Lafitte Park and Preserve, Everglades National Park, Dry Tortugas, Biscayne National Park, De Soto National Memorial and Big Cypress National Preserve.

BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	USFS
1	3	723	189	26

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 21
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

South Fork, Santa Fe NF. Twenty miles west of Espanola, NM. Timber. No further information received.

Saffron, Grand Canyon NP. Previously report limited perimeter control incident. Twenty miles northeast of Supai, AZ. Timber. No further information received. 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
South Fork	NM	SNF	17,086	0	90	7/15	34	-50	1	3	0	0	NR	FS
Saffron	AZ	GCP	1,000	---	N/A	N/A	99	---	5	5	0	0	360K	NPS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 6
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Medano, Great Sand Dunes National Monument. IMT 2 (Lowe). Confine/contain incident. Nineteen miles southeast of Crestone, CO. Timber and brush. Isolated interior torching.

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Medano	CO	GSP	6,239	0	N/A	N/A	198	-6	4	8	2	0	4.2M	NPS

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires: 1
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 5

Louie Creek, Galena Zone, BLM. Started on private land eight miles southwest of Huslia, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Creeping and smoldering with isolated single tree torching. Structures threatened.

Pat Creek, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Fifteen miles north of Stevens Village, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching.

* **Eli River**, Galena Zone, BLM. Started on National Park Service land thirteen miles northeast of Noatak, AK. Grass and tundra. Active fire behavior.

Fiasco Lake, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Ten miles north of Circle City, AK. Black spruce and brush. Smoldering.

* **Jade Mountain**, Galena Zone, BLM. Thirteen miles northeast of Noatak, AK. Spruce and brush. Smoldering. Residences threatened.

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Louie Creek	AK	GAD	14,176	0	25	UNK	167	-10	7	0	2	0	3.5M	PRI
Pat Creek	AK	UYD	11,806	0	25	UNK	245	-4	12	0	3	0	3.3M	BLM
* Eli River	AK	GAD	6,000	---	15	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	91K	NPS
Fiasco Lake	AK	UYD	800	0	55	7/10	114	7	5	0	2	0	145K	BLM
* Jade Mountain	AK	GAD	152	---	80	7/8	48	---	2	0	0	0	217K	BLM

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 3
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
Moapa	NV	SND	601	0	100	---	90	-91	2	4	0	20	875K	BLM

SND - Southern Nevada District Office, BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Dry thunderstorms are possible today in the Sierra Nevada, the southern Great Basin and Arizona. The thunderstorm threat will expand across Northern California today as well. Thunderstorm activity should also increase in the Southwest and Colorado, with drier storms along the western periphery of the moisture. Warm temperatures are expected across the West, particularly in the Northwest and Great Basin. Alaska will continue to see showers across the south.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Environmental Factors Category.**

THUNDERSTORM SAFETY

Thunderstorms cause significant hazards for wildland firefighters, including downbursts that can cause extreme fire behavior and lightning. When thunderstorm development is likely, lookouts should be posted and aware of signs of a developing storm. A sudden reversal in wind direction, a noticeable rise in wind speed, and a sharp drop in temperature may note the mature stage of a storm. Heavy rain, hail and lightning occur only in the mature stage of a thunderstorm. During a storm, use the following guidelines:

- Do not lie down.
 - The best position is sitting on the pack or crouching with feet close together.
 - Avoid sitting directly on the ground, if possible; but, if necessary, keep feet and butt close together.
 - Avoid grouping together. Keep a minimum of 15 feet between people when possible.
 - Removing caulk boots will not provide safety if stocking covered or bare feet are then in contact with the ground--don't bother!
- "Stay out of dry creek beds" is correct for flash floods, but has nothing to do with lightning.
- Handheld radios (with short rubber antennas) or cell phones are safe to use. Communication is vital to crew safety. Do not use land line radios or radios with elevated antennas.
- Wide, open spaces are better than trees or clumps of trees in the vicinity. Ridge tops, etc., should be avoided.
- If you feel the hair on your arms or head "stand up," there is a high probability of a strike in the vicinity. Crouch or sit on a pack.
- Put down all tools.
- Take shelter in vehicles if possible.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[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				1	0		1
	ACRES				5,000	180		5,180
Northwest	FIRES					12	6	18
	ACRES					20	0	20
Northern California	FIRES	1				15	2	18
	ACRES	2				206	0	208
Southern California	FIRES					24	2	26
	ACRES					7	0	7
Northern Rockies	FIRES	7		1				8
	ACRES	1		1				2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3			4	1	8
	ACRES		11			46	0	57
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	3	1				17	21
	ACRES	6	5				104	115
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2				4	6
	ACRES		0				1	1
Eastern Area	FIRES					23	1	24
	ACRES					29	1	30
Southern Area	FIRES					41		41
	ACRES					455		455
TOTAL	FIRES	11	8	1	1	119	33	173
	ACRES	9	16	1	5,000	943	106	6,075

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	66	58	38	364	11	538
	ACRES	103	265,454	34,548	31,163	606,357	8	937,633
Northwest	FIRES	30	21	1	2	92	115	261
	ACRES	333	456	0	0	146	62	997
Northern California	FIRES	6	10		1	913	78	1,008
	ACRES	2	15		0	10,618	18	10,653
Southern California	FIRES	10	69	3	3	1,139	185	1,409
	ACRES	182	5,067	14	3	11,301	322	16,889
Northern Rockies	FIRES	328	8	1	2	105	91	535
	ACRES	2,488	91	761	0	946	152	4,438
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	10	100	2	3	158	50	323
	ACRES	15	11,756	1	0	21,331	223	33,326
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	59	2	6	26	6	100
	ACRES	0	427	17	1	654	21	1,120
Southwest	FIRES	387	149	4	41	344	522	1,447
	ACRES	7,296	14,830	33	21,167	36,934	61,622	141,882
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	312	145	3	17	170	148	795
	ACRES	2,472	2,125	3,051	5,163	11,549	2,309	26,669
Eastern Area	FIRES	614		38	19	7,665	451	8,787
	ACRES	2,707		4,883	26	73,409	4,289	85,314
Southern Area	FIRES	513		45	21	15,031	432	16,042
	ACRES	32,278		1,579	137	204,035	18,874	256,903
TOTAL	FIRES	2,212	627	157	153	26,007	2,089	31,245
	ACRES	47,876	300,221	44,887	57,660	977,280	87,900	1,515,824

Ten Year Average Fires	42,634
Ten Year Average Acres	2,336,949

*** 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	0
	ACRES						7	7
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					130		130
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	130	7	137

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					11		11
	ACRES					21,497		21,497
Northwest	FIRES	12	54	4	1		120	191
	ACRES	6,585	8,532	1,610	11		17,518	34,256
Northern California	FIRES	1	20	19	20	20	229	309
	ACRES	10	347	22,092	64	3,515	9,397	35,425
Southern California	FIRES		9	10	4	16	218	257
	ACRES		1,612	1,493	410	2,159	2,343	8,017
Northern Rockies	FIRES	72	23	99	8	27	159	388
	ACRES	2,325	3,873	25,262	1,240	926	17,288	50,914
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		19	6	7	31	48	111
	ACRES		1,712	2,745	520	1,874	10,264	17,115
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	2		7	14
	ACRES		68	1,395	546		638	2,647
Southwest	FIRES	27	18	10	4		88	147
	ACRES	1,575	19,397	8,870	163		41,732	71,737
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	38	56	112	18	49	135	408
	ACRES	5,749	8,215	24,693	2,484	6,300	19,528	66,969
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		365	26	1,348	165	1,951
	ACRES	62,783		55,268	5,514	83,158	58,024	264,747
Southern Area	FIRES	17		181	68	8,805	1,047	10,118
	ACRES	2,905		73,674	69,648	261,153	1,050,744	1,458,124
TOTAL	FIRES	214	202	808	158	10,307	2,216	13,905
	ACRES	81,932	43,756	217,102	80,600	380,582	1,227,476	2,031,448

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

Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	162	1,089	356	5,914
Yukon Territory	0	0	58	150,997
Alberta	368	687	1,094	39,406
Northwest Territory	0	0	85	94,683
Saskatchewan	65	1,808	328	723,604
Manitoba	106	3,993	331	93,140
Ontario	248	903	669	13,401
Quebec	130	84	521	363,914
Newfoundland	8	23	29	791
New Brunswick	63	84	110	109
Nova Scotia	171	415	257	473
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	12	11	53	4,723
Total	1,333	9,098	3,893	1,491,160

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