

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, August 17, 2011 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (150 new fires)  
 New large fires: 7 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 9  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 14  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Nationally, there are 44 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.

**Southern Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 49  
 New large fires: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 6  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Lateral West**, Great Dismal Swamp NWR. IMT 1 (Quesinberry). Nine miles southeast of Suffolk, VA. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

**M&M Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. Twenty-three miles south of Sweetwater, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

\* **Allison 412**, Texas Forest Service. Fifteen miles east of Sonora, TX. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

\* **County Road 235**, Texas Forest Service. Thirteen miles east of Tyler, TX. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Wallow**, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Four miles southeast of Strasburg, VA. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Bluff**, Cherokee NF. Four miles southeast of Benton, TN. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

| 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 |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Lateral West  | VA | GDR  | 6,007 | 43               | 10    | UNK     | 403       | 16               | 4   | 26  | 4    | 0         | 3M       | FWS        |
| M&M Ranch     | TX | TXS  | 680   | 180              | 90    | 8/17    | 56        | 0                | 1   | 5   | 1    | 0         | NR       | ST         |
| * Allison 412 | TX | TXS  | 450   | ---              | 0     | UNK     | 27        | ---              | 0   | 4   | 0    | 0         | NR       | ST         |

| 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 |
|-------------------|----|------|------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| * County Road 235 | TX | TXS  | 230  | ---              | 0     | UNK     | 15        | ---              | 0   | 0   | 2    | 1         | 0        | ST         |
| Wallow            | VA | VAF  | 166  | ---              | 60    | UNK     | 49        | ---              | 2   | 0   | 0    | 0         | 5K       | FS         |
| Bluff             | TN | CNF  | 123  | 0                | 90    | UNK     | 72        | -21              | 2   | 3   | 2    | 0         | 216K     | FS         |
| * Todd City       | TX | TXS  | 450  | ---              | 100   | ---     | 6         | ---              | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0         | NR       | ST         |
| Avenger Timber    | TX | TXS  | 400  | 250              | 100   | ---     | 0         | -35              | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0         | NR       | ST         |

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

New fires: 16

New large fires: 3

Uncontained large fires: 4

**Blair**, Boise District, BLM. Eight miles north of Glenns Ferry, ID. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**Drive In**, Bannock County FD. One mile east of Pocatello, ID. Brush. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**S. Creek**, Boise District, BLM. Twelve miles west of Mountain Home, ID. Brush and grass. No new information.

\* **Sagebrush**, Boise District, BLM. Five miles northeast of Weiser, 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 |
|---------------|----|------|--------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Blair         | ID | BOD  | 38,000 | 33,000           | 25    | UNK     | 280       | 177              | 7   | 10  | 7    | 0         | 300K     | BLM        |
| Drive In      | ID | 1BN  | 1,270  | -1,230           | 50    | UNK     | 148       | 50               | 3   | 13  | 1    | 2         | 330K     | CNTY       |
| S. Creek      | ID | BOD  | 5,000  | ---              | 10    | UNK     | 22        | ---              | 0   | 4   | 0    | 1         | 25K      | BLM        |
| * Sagebrush   | ID | BOD  | 600    | ---              | 20    | 8/17    | 82        | ---              | 1   | 13  | 2    | 0         | 75K      | BLM        |
| Big Hill      | ID | BOD  | 40,000 | 0                | 100   | ---     | 62        | -4               | 0   | 10  | 0    | 0         | 90K      | BLM        |
| * South Sim   | ID | BOD  | 10,000 | ---              | 100   | ---     | 27        | ---              | 0   | 6   | 0    | 1         | 75K      | BLM        |
| Union         | ID | BOD  | 5,000  | 0                | 100   | ---     | 42        | -4               | 0   | 4   | 0    | 0         | 123K     | BLM        |
| South Pen     | ID | BOD  | 1,200  | 0                | 100   | ---     | 21        | 0                | 0   | 5   | 0    | 1         | 35K      | BLM        |
| Morrow        | ID | BOD  | 1,100  | 400              | 100   | ---     | 43        | -25              | 2   | 0   | 0    | 0         | 50K      | BLM        |
| West Sahara   | UT | RID  | 1,056  | 356              | 100   | ---     | 14        | -25              | 0   | 3   | 1    | 0         | 30K      | BLM        |
| * Twin        | UT | RID  | 348    | ---              | 100   | ---     | 3         | ---              | 0   | 1   | 0    | 0         | 15K      | BLM        |

RID - Richfield Field Office, BLM

**Western Great Basin Area (PL 3 )**

New fires: 3  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 2

**\* Ray May**, Carson City District, BLM. Seven miles south of Gardnerville, NV. Brush. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Salmon**, Elko District, BLM. Twenty-five miles southwest of Jackpot, NV. 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 |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| * Ray May     | NV | CCD  | 600   | ---              | 5     | UNK     | 185       | ---              | 4   | 16  | 3    | 0         | 100K     | BLM        |
| Salmon        | NV | EKD  | 4,780 | 0                | 25    | UNK     | 216       | 11               | 7   | 7   | 1    | 0         | NR       | BLM        |

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2 )**

New fires: 11  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Coal Canyon**, Black Hills NF. South Dakota IMT 2 (Lowe). Nine miles north of Edgemont, SD. Timber 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 |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Coal Canyon   | SD | BKF  | 5,214 | 0                | 95    | 8/18    | 468       | -3               | 12  | 29  | 4    | 0         | 2.2M     | FS         |

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 2 )**

New fires: 19  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Hoss**, Crow Agency, BIA. Five miles southwest of Fort Smith, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

| 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 |
|---------------|----|------|------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Hoss          | MT | CRA  | 774  | -926             | 0     | UNK     | 134       | 39               | 4   | 7   | 4    | 0         | 150K     | BIA        |

**Predictive Services Discussion:** The area of high pressure over the Southwest will strengthen and maintain hot and dry conditions which will extend towards the Northwest. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will extend from the Southwest to Colorado and then extend along a surface trough from the upper Mississippi Valley to the central Gulf Coast. Windy conditions are expected over the northern Rockies.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



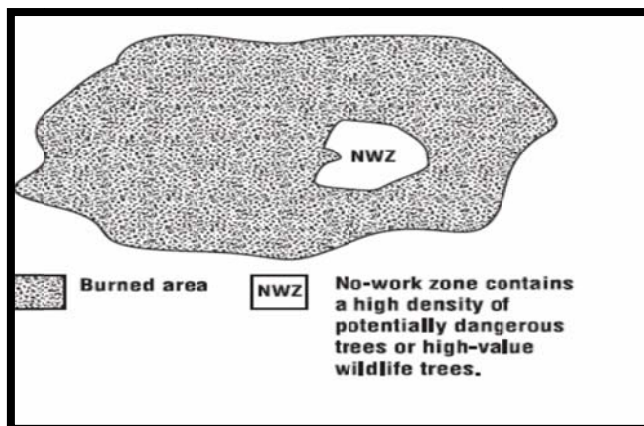
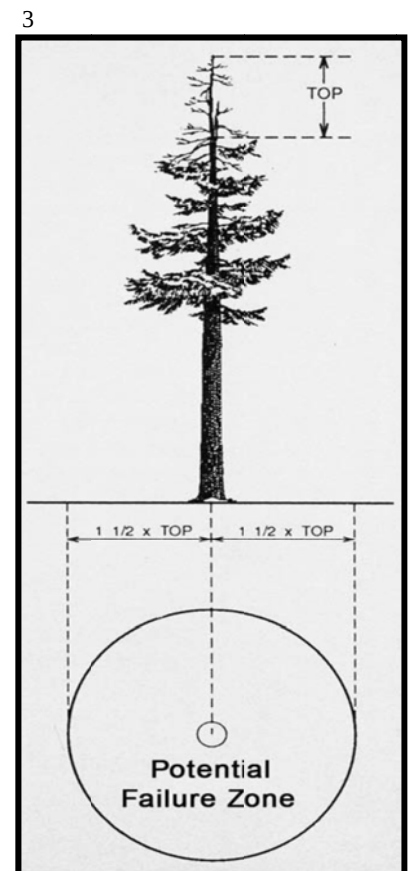
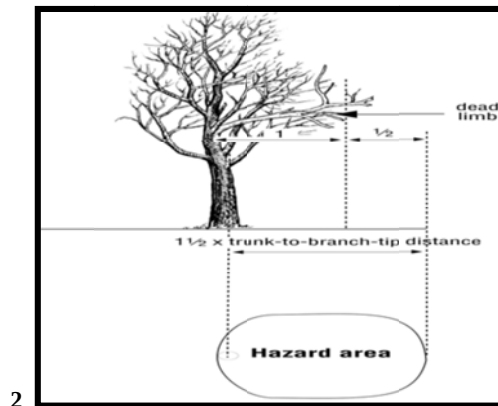
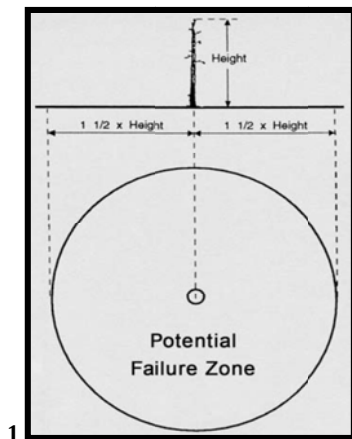
**Today's discussion is from the  
Hazard Tree Category.**

## HAZARD TREE – NO WORK ZONES (NWZ)

Knowing when the exact time a given hazard tree (or compromised section) will fail is an extremely difficult, and is, in many cases, an unpredictable task. Given this fact, we need to manage firefighters' exposure to these hazards by creating a safe work area or NWZ. The size and extent of the NWZ must be determined by onsite conditions, such as terrain, lean, active fire in the tree and adjoining trees.

When an identified hazardous tree cannot be felled, then perform an assessment of which areas have too high a risk, and post a lookout to warn the personnel to stay clear of these areas while working in adjacent areas. If hazard still exists before leaving the area, flag the NWZ so that personnel entering the area will be able to recognize the hazard. Use the following failure zone illustrations as examples to help manage firefighter exposure to these identified hazards. Also remember to include the possibility of the "Domino Effect" to surrounding trees.

**#1 –  $1\frac{1}{2}$  X Height of snag, #2 –  $1\frac{1}{2}$  X truck-to-branch-tip distance #3 –  $1\frac{1}{2}$  X length of dead top.**



References:

Hazard Tree Assessor's Guide @ [Hazard Tree Safety Web Page](#)

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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     | 2     | 3      |
|                     | ACRES |     |        |     |     | 1     | 1     | 2      |
| Northern California | FIRES |     |        |     |     | 16    | 2     | 18     |
|                     | ACRES |     |        |     |     | 77    | 0     | 77     |
| Southern California | FIRES |     |        |     |     | 18    | 3     | 21     |
|                     | ACRES |     |        |     |     | 71    | 0     | 71     |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES | 3   | 2      |     |     | 8     | 6     | 19     |
|                     | ACRES | 1   | 0      |     |     | 28    | 117   | 146    |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |     | 7      |     |     | 8     | 1     | 16     |
|                     | ACRES |     | 31,385 |     |     | 453   | 2     | 31,840 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |     | 2      |     |     |       | 1     | 3      |
|                     | ACRES |     | 210    |     |     |       | 180   | 390    |
| Southwest           | FIRES | 2   | 2      |     | 0   |       | 6     | 10     |
|                     | ACRES | 0   | 4      |     | 175 |       | 1,275 | 1,454  |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES |     | 4      |     |     | 4     | 3     | 11     |
|                     | ACRES |     | 5      |     |     | 109   | 73    | 187    |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES |     |        |     |     |       |       | 0      |
|                     | ACRES |     |        |     |     |       |       | 0      |
| Southern Area       | FIRES |     |        | 5   |     | 44    |       | 49     |
|                     | ACRES |     |        | 350 |     | 1,149 |       | 1,499  |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 5   | 17     | 5   | 0   | 99    | 24    | 150    |
|                     | ACRES | 1   | 31,604 | 350 | 175 | 1,888 | 1,648 | 35,666 |

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA                |       | BIA     | BLM     | FWS     | NPS    | ST/OT     | USFS      | TOTAL     |
|---------------------|-------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Alaska              | FIRES | 2       | 26      | 28      | 17     | 407       | 7         | 487       |
|                     | ACRES | 8       | 47,653  | 36,821  | 8,040  | 199,917   | 1         | 292,440   |
| Northwest           | FIRES | 173     | 137     | 3       | 14     | 274       | 315       | 916       |
|                     | ACRES | 3,109   | 36,718  | 32      | 4      | 5,998     | 235       | 46,096    |
| Northern California | FIRES | 65      | 10      | 5       | 13     | 1,096     | 138       | 1,327     |
|                     | ACRES | 52      | 274     | 4       | 2,178  | 4,646     | 4,774     | 11,928    |
| Southern California | FIRES | 17      | 285     | 4       | 19     | 2,414     | 286       | 3,025     |
|                     | ACRES | 224     | 2,420   | 2       | 1,049  | 34,424    | 22,445    | 60,564    |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES | 347     | 53      | 6       | 6      | 260       | 312       | 984       |
|                     | ACRES | 1,601   | 847     | 141     | 7      | 1,621     | 1,559     | 5,776     |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 16      | 345     | 1       | 7      | 343       | 245       | 957       |
|                     | ACRES | 1,914   | 204,183 | 26      | 6      | 18,146    | 3,151     | 227,426   |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 14      | 284     | 4       | 14     | 97        | 35        | 448       |
|                     | ACRES | 74      | 58,716  | 69      | 3      | 18,560    | 347       | 77,769    |
| Southwest           | FIRES | 813     | 285     | 11      | 41     | 865       | 1,027     | 3,042     |
|                     | ACRES | 33,879  | 114,060 | 273     | 19,016 | 590,066   | 1,260,072 | 2,017,366 |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES | 455     | 257     | 25      | 29     | 581       | 359       | 1,706     |
|                     | ACRES | 3,322   | 5,374   | 3,502   | 2,278  | 240,472   | 51,295    | 306,243   |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES | 339     |         | 27      | 17     | 3,635     | 207       | 4,225     |
|                     | ACRES | 354     |         | 2,612   | 81     | 25,539    | 14,078    | 42,664    |
| Southern Area       | FIRES | 763     |         | 236     | 69     | 29,424    | 818       | 31,310    |
|                     | ACRES | 129,144 |         | 80,318  | 55,680 | 3,099,616 | 33,027    | 3,397,785 |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 3,004   | 1,682   | 350     | 246    | 39,396    | 3,749     | 48,427    |
|                     | ACRES | 173,681 | 470,245 | 123,800 | 88,342 | 4,239,005 | 1,390,984 | 6,486,057 |

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| <b>Ten Year Average Fires</b> | <b>53,492</b>    |
| <b>Ten Year Average Acres</b> | <b>4,996,108</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 |     |     |     |     |       | 1    | 1     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       | 510  | 510   |
| 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 |     |     |     | 1   |       |      | 1     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     | 1   |       |      | 1     |
| Southern Area       | FIRES |     |     | 1   | 1   |       | 4    | 6     |
|                     | ACRES |     |     | 209 | 350 |       | 423  | 982   |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 0   | 0   | 1   | 2   | 0     | 5    | 8     |
|                     | ACRES | 0   | 0   | 209 | 351 | 0     | 933  | 1,493 |

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA                |       | BIA    | BLM     | FWS     | NPS    | ST/OT   | USFS    | TOTAL     |
|---------------------|-------|--------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Alaska              | FIRES |        |         | 1       | 3      | 12      |         | 16        |
|                     | ACRES |        |         | 20      | 35     | 8,513   |         | 8,568     |
| Northwest           | FIRES | 8      | 44      | 7       | 1      |         | 122     | 182       |
|                     | ACRES | 5,268  | 6,885   | 429     | 42     |         | 8,661   | 21,285    |
| Northern California | FIRES | 15     | 16      | 20      | 21     |         | 133     | 205       |
|                     | ACRES | 61     | 655     | 19,468  | 141    |         | 5,371   | 25,696    |
| Southern California | FIRES |        | 10      | 10      | 4      | 15      | 75      | 114       |
|                     | ACRES |        | 756     | 1,963   | 1,060  | 1,960   | 2,090   | 7,829     |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES | 37     | 13      | 41      | 1      | 16      | 86      | 194       |
|                     | ACRES | 1,321  | 853     | 7,849   | 141    | 211     | 5,413   | 15,788    |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 0      | 17      | 3       | 1      | 35      | 26      | 82        |
|                     | ACRES | 54     | 8,572   | 1,023   | 55     | 712     | 6,072   | 16,488    |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |        | 4       | 1       |        | 2       | 9       | 16        |
|                     | ACRES |        | 121     | 550     |        | 64      | 296     | 1,031     |
| Southwest           | FIRES | 17     | 28      | 3       | 3      |         | 86      | 137       |
|                     | ACRES | 1,722  | 192,284 | 1,428   | 45     |         | 73,224  | 268,703   |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES | 42     | 33      | 89      | 17     | 45      | 121     | 347       |
|                     | ACRES | 4,683  | 5,597   | 14,174  | 4,703  | 7,932   | 30,247  | 67,336    |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES | 29     |         | 341     | 29     | 840     | 130     | 1,369     |
|                     | ACRES | 60,253 |         | 45,603  | 3,787  | 49,580  | 39,281  | 198,504   |
| Southern Area       | FIRES | 42     |         | 140     | 19     | 1,418   | 548     | 2,167     |
|                     | ACRES | 7,835  |         | 74,269  | 13,518 | 300,461 | 450,842 | 846,925   |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 190    | 165     | 656     | 99     | 2,383   | 1,336   | 4,829     |
|                     | ACRES | 81,197 | 215,723 | 166,776 | 23,527 | 369,433 | 621,497 | 1,478,153 |

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

### Canada Fires and Hectares

| PROVINCES            | FIRES<br>YESTERDAY | HECTARES<br>YESTERDAY | FIRES<br>YEAR-TO-DATE | HECTARES<br>YEAR-TO-DATE |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| BRITISH COLUMBIA     | 0                  | 0                     | 426                   | 11,774                   |
| YUKON TERRITORY      | 0                  | 0                     | 53                    | 39,746                   |
| ALBERTA              | 1                  | 0                     | 932                   | 940,041                  |
| NORTHWEST TERRITORY  | 0                  | 0                     | 200                   | 369,371                  |
| SASKATCHEWAN         | 1                  | 0                     | 251                   | 339,942                  |
| MANITOBA             | 2                  | 2                     | 245                   | 84,286                   |
| ONTARIO              | 14                 | 4                     | 912                   | 613,575                  |
| QUEBEC               | 2                  | 5                     | 238                   | 11,703                   |
| NEWFOUNDLAND         | 0                  | 0                     | 42                    | 352                      |
| NEW BRUNSWICK        | 0                  | 0                     | 69                    | 39                       |
| NOVA SCOTIA          | 0                  | 0                     | 110                   | 132                      |
| PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND | 0                  | 0                     | 1                     | 1                        |
| NATIONAL PARKS       | 0                  | 0                     | 46                    | 85,600                   |
| TOTALS               | 20                 | 11                    | 3,525                 | 2,496,563                |

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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