

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, August 2, 2012 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (193 new fires)
New large fires:	10 (*)
Large fires contained:	5
Uncontained large fires: **	29
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

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

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

Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 146th Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires:	25
New large fires:	6
Uncontained large fires:	15
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

* **East Sarpy**, Crow Agency, BIA. IMT2 (Fry). Fifteen miles east of Hardin, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened and road closures in effect.

Goblin Gulch, Lewis & Clark NF. Seven miles southwest of Monarch, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching and long-range spotting. Residences threatened.

Elbow Pass Complex (3 fires), Lewis & Clark NF. IMT 2 (Hall). Twenty-five miles southwest of Augusta, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Butler, Lolo NF. IMT2 (Kusicko). Twenty-seven miles northwest of Frenchtown, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Wells, Charles M. Russell NWR. Thirty-five miles southeast of Zortman, MT. Timber, brush and grass. Torching and running.

Chain Buttes, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles northeast of Winnett, MT. Brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

* **South Chain**, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Twenty-five miles northeast of Winnett, MT. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior.

Chrandal Creek, Bitterroot NF. Thirty-two miles south of Darby, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Road closure in effect.

Prisoner Lake, Flathead NF. Twenty-five miles east of Condon, MT. Timber. Creeping. Trail closures in effect.

* **Chalky**, Miles City Field Office, BLM. Sixty miles southwest of Miles City, MT. Timber. No further information received.

* **West Tullock**, Crow Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles east of Hardin, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

* **Dawes**, Crow Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles east of Hardin, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

* **Castle Rock 2**, Crow Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles east of Hardin, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

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
* East Sarpy	MT	CRA	11,000	---	0	UNK	61	---	2	7	2	0	200K	BIA
Goblin Gulch	MT	LCF	165	0	5	UNK	54	22	2	0	3	0	170K	FS
Elbow Pass Complex	MT	LCF	7,525	1,525	0	9/12	124	-26	4	0	5	0	1.5M	FS
Butler	MT	LNF	80	-1	10	8/14	133	111	6	0	2	0	193K	FS
Wells	MT	CMR	4,668	2,968	25	8/6	25	15	0	7	0	0	22K	FWS
Chain Buttes	MT	LED	2,402	0	75	8/2	83	33	2	10	1	0	187K	BLM
* South Chain	MT	LED	1,200	---	60	8/3	54	---	0	15	2	0	130K	BLM
Chrandal Creek	MT	BRF	2,562	0	75	8/7	191	-11	5	2	3	0	7.3M	FS
Prisoner Lake	MT	FNF	3,026	2	0	UNK	15	5	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
* Chalky	MT	MCD	3,000	---	0	8/3	59	---	2	6	0	0	2K	BLM
* West Tullock	MT	CRA	7,000	---	0	UNK	17	---	0	4	0	0	80K	BIA
* Dawes	MT	CRA	2,000	---	0	UNK	10	---	0	2	0	0	80K	BIA
* Castle Rock 2	MT	CRA	960	---	0	UNK	14	---	0	3	1	0	80K	BIA

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:	42
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
NIMOs committed:	1

Halstead, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber. Running and torching. Structures threatened and area closures in effect.

Dallas Canyon, Salt Lake District, BLM. Ten miles southwest of Delle, UT. Juniper, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

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
Halstead	ID	SCF	7,000	3,926	0	UNK	204	2	7	5	3	0	480K	FS
Dallas Canyon	UT	SLD	43,610	0	90	8/2	223	-139	8	5	2	0	1.6M	BLM
Ridge Top	ID	FHA	16,614	-13	100	---	150	-22	3	10	2	0	1.1M	BIA

FHA – Fort Hall Agency, BIA

Northern California Area (PL 2)

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

Chips, Plumas NF. IMT 1 (McGowan) and IMT 2 (Whitcome). Twenty miles northwest of Quincy, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Structures threatened.

* **Salt Creek**, Shasta-Trinity NF. IMT2 (Molhoek). Six miles south of Lakehead, CA. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting. Numerous structures and high voltage power lines 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
Chips	CA	PNF	2,400	1,400	5	8/15	285	55	13	5	9	0	1.3M	FS
* Salt Creek	CA	SHF	175	---	0	UNK	176	---	4	17	3	1	100K	FS
Peak	CA	PNF	800	20	100	---	303	-265	11	10	2	0	2.1M	FS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 13
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Volcano**, Riverside Unit, Cal Fire. Seven miles southwest of Murrieta, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with spotting. Numerous structures threatened.

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
* Volcano	CA	RRU	400	---	5	8/2	272	---	10	33	6	1	135K	ST
South	CA	CND	271	0	100	---	70	-319	3	2	0	0	NR	BLM
Graham	CA	TCU	81	0	100	---	51	0	2	3	0	0	2.4M	ST

CND – Central California District, BLM

TCU – Tuolumne-Calaveras Unit, Cal Fire

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires: 47
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Bear Mountain Complex, Rawlins Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles north of Rawlins, WY. Timber, brush and grass. Torching.

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
Bear Mountain Complex	WY	RAD	6,524	0	47	UNK	40	-304	2	0	0	0	4.6M	BLM

Northwest Area (PL 2)

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

Lava, Lakeview District, BLM. Fifteen miles northeast of Ft. Rock, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with single tree torching. Structures threatened.

* **Crane Road**, Washington State. Six miles east of Brewster, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Residences threatened. 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
Lava	OR	LAD	21,300	10,800	30	8/15	287	12	5	27	3	0	1.3M	BLM
* Crane Road	WA	WFS	2,000	---	0	8/4	NR	---	0	0	0	0	100K	ST

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 19
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 5

* **Bluegill**, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. One mile east of Drumright, OK. Hardwood litter. Running and spotting. Structures threatened.

Townley Road, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles northwest of Indianahoma, OK. Timber, brush and grass. Smoldering.

Bills Hill, Merritt Island NWR. Two miles south of Oak Hill, FL. Brush. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Corral, Texas Forest Service. Eight miles north of Archer City, TX. Brush and grass. No new information.

Bluff Creek, Texas Forest Service. Twelve miles northwest of Albany, TX. Brush. No new information. 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
* Bluegill	OK	OMA	149	---	90	8/2	40	---	1	14	0	0	10K	BIA
Townley Road	OK	OKS	28,800	0	95	UNK	8	-34	0	4	0	3	120K	ST
Bills Hill	FL	MIR	252	-48	90	UNK	23	-6	0	9	1	0	50K	FWS
Corral	TX	TXS	600	---	50	UNK	4	---	0	0	0	1	NR	ST
Bluff Creek	TX	TXS	2,736	---	80	UNK	16	---	0	0	1	0	NR	ST
Earlsboro	OK	OKS	760	0	100	---	20	0	0	5	0	11	80K	ST

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 0

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 1

Potato Cave, Mark Twain NF. Six miles southeast of Dora, MO. Timber and logging slash. Smoldering.

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
Potato Cave	MO	MTF	663	0	45	8/3	110	75	2	8	1	0	30K	FS

Other Fires

(As of July 27)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	13	113,241	0	0	0	0
NW	3	557,744	6	7	0	151
NO	3	2,763	14	22	5	410
SO	1	109	0	0	0	3
NR	6	2,504	38	6	3	133
EB	6	72,612	2	6	0	101
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	1	297,845	0	0	0	5
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	3	2,936	5	11	3	76
Total	36	1,049,754	65	52	11	879

This table does not include fires reported in the large fire section of this report. Updated weekly.

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered thunderstorms will develop again over the far Southwest, eastern Great Basin, and the central Rockies. Some storms could produce very heavy rain. A cold front will move through the northern Rockies, bringing slightly cooler but windy conditions to the region. Otherwise, temperatures will remain very warm across much of the West. In the East, showers and thunderstorms will stretch along a front from the Great Lakes to the central and northern Plains. Hot and humid conditions will continue in the Southeast where afternoon thunderstorms will develop from the mid-Atlantic coast to the central Gulf Coast.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.html>



**Today's discussion is from the
Weather / Fire Behavior Category.**

FREQUENT SPOT FIRES ACROSS THE LINE

There are few watch-out situations that state more clearly how much potential your fire has for rapid, uncontrolled growth. Consider the following questions if you are getting spot fires across your line:

- Can you handle increased spotting? List some ways you can keep ahead of spot fires (gridding the green, lookouts, etc.)
- What is your probability of ignition doing? Is it increasing or decreasing?
- Do you have a plan for long-range spotting? In what fuel type and under what conditions will you likely have long-range spotting? What types of plans can you think of for handling long-range spotting?
- Is help available if necessary? What kinds of resources will you have in place or order to handle spot fires?
- If fire behavior increases, is your position still defensible? Discuss what type of action you might take if a spot fire takes off.
- Do you have more than one safety zone in case one gets cut off? Describe how you might have multiple safety zones.
- Do the primary lookouts have a good view of the situation? Discuss who might be acting as a lookout (e.g., crew member, air resources, etc.) and how you will get good information from that person. (Are you relying on an air attack that is busy with air tankers?)
- Where are you in the burning period? Talk about how your tactics may vary from finding spot fires early in the day to later into the evening. Review Probability of Ignition (PIG) and what it can tell you about spotting potential.
- To reduce the risk, be ready to retreat. Keep your guard up even if spotting has not occurred for a few hours. Review fires where you have had frequent spot fires and what you learned about controlling them.

References:

[Fireline Handbook](#)
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES					1	4	5
	ACRES					0	0	0
Northern California	FIRES					11	3	14
	ACRES					1	100	101
Southern California	FIRES				0	12	1	13
	ACRES				11	1	0	12
Northern Rockies	FIRES		12			3	10	25
	ACRES		22,620			24	157	22,801
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	22		2	11	5	42
	ACRES	100	107		0	102	4,076	4,385
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10			1		11
	ACRES		4			0		4
Southwest	FIRES					3	12	15
	ACRES					5	2	7
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	14		1	15	11	47
	ACRES	2	13		1	15	5	36
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					16	3	19
	ACRES					83	6	89
TOTAL	FIRES	8	58	0	3	75	49	193
	ACRES	102	22,744	0	12	231	4,346	27,435

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	37	28	20	233	4	323
	ACRES	43	50,159	39,270	67,906	49,839	0	207,217
Northwest	FIRES	119	133	18	16	343	283	912
	ACRES	2,073	660,060	1,787	13	3,738	669	668,340
Northern California	FIRES	77	15	2	6	1,774	290	2,164
	ACRES	107	1,476	0	8	12,418	32,311	46,320
Southern California	FIRES	24	107	7	20	2,101	276	2,535
	ACRES	27	4,379	8	448	27,792	2,602	35,256
Northern Rockies	FIRES	889	160	18	10	362	383	1,822
	ACRES	282,669	104,891	2,589	650	71,935	42,070	504,804
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	37	477		21	573	311	1,419
	ACRES	24,880	549,840		240	178,044	224,266	977,270
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	241	1	14	129	47	435
	ACRES	1,199	107,854	0	37	9,294	12,206	130,590
Southwest	FIRES	661	168	12	32	418	777	2,068
	ACRES	30,236	4,509	187	4,326	31,212	448,602	519,072
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	975	429	21	24	968	530	2,947
	ACRES	65,069	34,162	1,246	832	269,433	247,592	618,334
Eastern Area	FIRES	676		45	16	7,542	498	8,777
	ACRES	1,631		4,755	401	71,255	9,302	87,344
Southern Area	FIRES	448		43	43	13,481	513	14,528
	ACRES	38,408		19,559	16,743	167,781	78,805	321,296
TOTAL	FIRES	3,910	1,767	195	222	27,924	3,912	37,930
	ACRES	446,342	1,517,330	69,401	91,604	892,741	1,098,425	4,115,843

Ten Year Average Fires	48,751
Ten Year Average Acres	4,254,919

*** 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
	ACRES							0
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							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2	10		12
	ACRES				18	13,314		13,332
Northwest	FIRES	8	59	15			157	239
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,305			31,956	43,763
Northern California	FIRES	2	13	22	21		153	211
	ACRES	107	203	22,621	151		13,082	36,164
Southern California	FIRES		6	5	5	6	159	181
	ACRES		1,521	381	946	1,831	4,120	8,799
Northern Rockies	FIRES	16	9	68	3	33	192	321
	ACRES	1,822	4,745	16,495	233	1,809	20,854	45,958
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	2	4	20	42	79
	ACRES		898	188	230	324	18,824	20,464
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	4		13	4	29
	ACRES		2,261	419		279	221	3,180
Southwest	FIRES	31	17	12	15		131	206
	ACRES	1,214	8,519	5,512	109		38,954	54,308
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	25	91	21	18	61	239
	ACRES	2,025	2,965	19,979	2,492	8,377	10,819	46,657
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		490	41	959	149	1,676
	ACRES	22,116		78,658	9,054	57,490	57,406	224,724
Southern Area	FIRES	23		138	53	8,313	832	9,359
	ACRES	4,783		57,590	37,634	473,407	811,626	1,385,040
TOTAL	FIRES	140	148	847	165	9,372	1,880	12,552
	ACRES	35,569	28,112	203,148	50,867	556,831	1,007,862	1,882,389

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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	11	0	684	6,819
YUKON TERRITORY	3	0	103	63,155
ALBERTA	7	3,922	1,078	335,661
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	7	1,127	225	226,738
SASKATCHEWAN	8	0	322	208,281
MANITOBA	2	19	410	166,714
ONTARIO	7	9,771	1,214	134,972
QUEBEC	13	24	651	70,147
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	173	137,433
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	1	297	356
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	313	779
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	5	9
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	62	274,988
TOTALS	59	14,864	5,537	1,626,053

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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