

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, July 20, 2012 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (174 new fires)
 New large fires: 5 (*)
 Large fires contained: 3
 Uncontained large fires: ** 21
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2
 ** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.
[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Four MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 302nd Airlift Wing, Colorado Springs (US Air Force Reserve) and the 146th Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard), are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires: 33
 New large fires: 3
 Uncontained large fires: 4
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

* **Myrtle**, Black Hills NF. IMT 1 (Hahnenberg). One mile east of Pringle, SD. Hardwood litter. Crowning with long-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

* **Brush Creek**, White River Field Office, BLM. Thirty miles south of Rangely, CO. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting. Structures threatened.

Sawmill Canyon, Wyoming State Forestry. Ten miles northwest of Guernsey, WY. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

* **Cactus**, Nebraska NF. Fifteen miles east of Wall, SD. Grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Trout Creek, Wind River District, BLM. Twenty-two miles northeast of Lovell, WY. Brush and grass. Smoldering. 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
* Myrtle	SD	BKF	1,500	---	0	UNK	180	---	1	25	6	0	100K	FS
* Brush Creek	CO	WRD	399	---	30	7/21	210	---	6	18	1	0	50K	BLM

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
Sawmill Canyon	WY	WYS	14,185	0	60	7/20	214	0	7	25	3	0	2.9M	ST
* Cactus	NE	NBF	1,082	---	75	UNK	49	---	0	14	1	0	20K	FS
Trout Creek	WY	WBD	647	100	N/A	N/A	28	-40	0	0	2	0	110K	BLM
Butterfield	WY	CPS	2,228	-472	100	---	10	-17	0	5	0	2	NR	ST

CPS – Wyoming State Forestry

Northern California Area (PL 3)

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

Robbers, Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Flores). Three miles northwest of Foresthill, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire activity. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Spanish, Northern California District, BLM. Twenty-eight miles northeast of Susanville, CA. Juniper, sagebrush and grass. Creeping, smoldering and single-tree torching. 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
Robbers	CA	NEU	2,650	0	85	7/21	912	-46	22	36	15	5	12.4M	ST
Spanish	CA	NOD	1,169	819	75	7/21	190	37	8	8	4	0	500K	BLM

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 14
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 5
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Miller Homestead, Burns District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Watts) back to the local unit will occur today. IMT also managing the Slope fire. One mile west of Frenchglen, OR. Grass and brush. Minimal fire activity.

Baker Canyon, Prineville District, BLM. Twenty miles north of Madras, OR. Juniper and brush. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

* **Crack in the Ground**, Lakeview District, BLM. Seven miles north of Christmas Valley, OR. Juniper and brush. Creeping and smoldering.

Slope, Burns District, BLM. Fifteen miles east of Diamond, OR. Juniper and brush. Minimal fire activity.

Douglas County Complex, Washington State. Three miles southwest of Mansfield, WA. Brush. No new information. Last report unless new information is 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
Miller Homestead	OR	BUD	160,853	0	95	8/1	358	-89	3	16	3	3	6M	BLM
Baker Canyon	OR	PRD	8,309	0	75	7/20	38	0	1	2	1	0	120K	BLM
* Crack in the Ground	OR	LAD	450	---	50	UNK	28	---	0	7	0	0	216K	BLM
Slope	OR	BUD	763	0	95	7/21	98	-21	3	2	2	0	346K	BLM
Douglas County Complex	WA	WFS	2,508	---	80	UNK	109	---	0	30	0	2	156K	ST
Buck Creek	OR	PRD	5,557	4,557	100	---	113	35	4	17	1	0	130K	BLM

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 22
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 4

Lighthouse, Southeast Area, Utah DOF. Thirty-four miles southeast of Price, UT. Pinyon pine, brush and grass. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching. Structures threatened.

Wolf Den, Vernal District, BLM. Forty miles south of Vernal, UT. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. Smoldering.

Hobble Complex, Arizona Strip District, BLM. Thirty miles south of St. George, UT. Pinyon pine and juniper. Smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Clay Springs, Central Area, Utah DOF. Four miles south of Oak City, UT. Timber, brush and grass. 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
Lighthouse	UT	SES	862	12	20	UNK	200	200	7	10	1	0	NR	ST
Wolf Den	UT	VLD	19,865	0	85	8/1	12	2	0	3	0	1	1.9M	BLM
Hobble Complex	AZ	ASD	34,200	-396	80	7/20	46	19	0	10	1	2	540K	BLM
Clay Springs	UT	SCS	107,847	0	97	7/20	21	0	0	3	1	1	6.6M	ST
Tenmile	ID	LEX	438	-62	100	---	22	---	1	0	0	0	15K	CNTY

LEX – Lemhi County

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires: 10
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Chrandal Creek, Bitterroot NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Thirty-two miles south of Darby, MT. Timber. Smoldering with single tree torching. Structures threatened.

541, Nez Perce NF. Twenty-eight miles east of Elk City, ID. Timber. 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
Chrandal Creek	MT	BRF	2,000	200	30	UNK	334	-25	9	3	3	0	2.8M	FS
541	ID	NPF	375	0	50	UNK	141	0	5	3	1	0	700K	FS

Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires: 9
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1

*** Narrows Complex**, Battle Mountain District, BLM. Forty miles north of Austin, 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
* Narrows Complex	NV	BMD	400	---	50	7/20	90	---	3	4	2	0	500K	BLM

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 8
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2

Cooks Complex (2 fires), Tonto NF. Eight miles southeast of Black Canyon City, AZ. Brush and grass. 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
Cooks Complex	AZ	TNF	7,171	0	75	7/20	46	5	2	1	1	0	625K	FS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 20
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Sand, Kern County. Eight miles east of Tehachapi, CA. Brush. 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
Sand	CA	KRN	1,428	0	95	UNK	412	-116	19	24	4	1	NR	CNTY

Alaska Area (PL 1)

New fires: 1
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 3

Hogatza, Galena Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles northwest of Hughes, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Nowitna River, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Eighty-six miles southeast of Galena, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Minimal fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Uyon Lakes, Galena Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Five miles south of Sparrevohn, AK. Tundra. Minimal 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
Hogatza	AK	GAD	24,179	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Nowitna River	AK	TAD	22,366	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	130K	BLM
Uyon Lakes	AK	GAD	4,500	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM

Other Fires

(As of July 20)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	13	91,984	0	0	0	0
NW	1	557,628	0	1	0	8
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	2	945	7	15	2	231
NR	3	582	0	0	2	26
EB	3	121,399	2	7	1	119
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	4	310,224	0	3	0	21
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	1	0	0	0	0	12
SA	4	2,941	5	12	3	78
Total	31	1,085,703	14	38	8	495

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

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop across the Southwest, the central Rockies and the eastern Great Basin. Showers will also move across the Northwest and northern Rockies. A cold front will move through the mid-Mississippi valley, producing thunderstorms across the Southeast and mid-Atlantic coast. Hot conditions will continue across the Plains.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Hazard Tree Category.

Hazard Tree Felling – Secure Felling Area

DISCUSSION: The following fundamental safety principles for tree felling operations have been established based on repeated lessons learned following serious accidents. To protect sawyers, swampers, and operational personnel from exposure to potential traumatic injury or death during tree felling operations, the following safety procedures should be applied to all felling activities. Fireline supervisors should continue to monitor all felling operations to ensure the following safe job procedures are consistently applied:

- A secure felling area, **MINIMUM OF TWO AND ONE HALF (2.5) TIMES THE HEIGHT OF THE MATERIAL BEING FELLED IN ALL DIRECTIONS**, needs to be established and maintained by the faller during all tree felling operations. In addition, the entire downhill side on slopes must be secured if materials can fall/role for a long, unpredictable distance.
- No one shall be permitted in the secured felling area without the authorization of the faller.
- The faller shall establish a safety zone outside the secured area, and direct EVERYONE to remain there until all felling is completed, and an "all clear" has been communicated.
- Safety zones should be established, whenever practical, in the opposite direction of the planned fall, and at a distance of at least 2.5 times the height of the trees being felled.
- The faller shall assign Lookout(s). The lookout(s) shall have reliable communications with the faller, and other personnel adjacent to the secure areas.
- Competent lookouts shall be established and maintained by the faller at all major access points of roads and trails that afford access to the secured felling area.
- The faller will ensure that no hazards remain such as hang-ups, unstable logs, or other dangers before approving access or leaving the secured area

References: [Hazard Tree Safety Web Page](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES		1			5	8	14
	ACRES		4,557			102	3	4,662
Northern California	FIRES		1			8	2	11
	ACRES		1,169			3	0	1,172
Southern California	FIRES					15	5	20
	ACRES					65	5	70
Northern Rockies	FIRES					3	7	10
	ACRES					5	203	208
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		4		1	13	4	22
	ACRES		2,237		0	1,134	339	3,710
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3		1	3	2	9
	ACRES		400		1	0	1	402
Southwest	FIRES	2			1		5	8
	ACRES	6			39		21	66
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	13	6			5	9	33
	ACRES	216	101			804	1,083	2,204
Eastern Area	FIRES				1	21	2	24
	ACRES				2	58	2	62
Southern Area	FIRES					21	1	22
	ACRES					98	1	99
TOTAL	FIRES	15	15	0	4	95	45	174
	ACRES	222	8,464	0	42	2,269	1,658	12,655

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	36	28	20	220	4	309
	ACRES	43	50,481	37,846	67,834	49,836	0	206,040
Northwest	FIRES	105	115	17	12	290	206	745
	ACRES	2,040	648,955	1,786	12	2,159	190	655,142
Northern California	FIRES	68	13	2	2	1,587	194	1,866
	ACRES	54	1,476	0	1	10,844	31,376	43,751
Southern California	FIRES	19	105	5	17	1,885	252	2,283
	ACRES	27	4,379	7	365	27,654	2,585	35,017
Northern Rockies	FIRES	648	80	13	7	242	203	1,193
	ACRES	67,300	57,028	818	649	51,710	5,345	182,850
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	28	325		11	478	181	1,023
	ACRES	3,620	469,327		133	168,008	284,598	925,686
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	210	1	13	88	35	349
	ACRES	0	84,470	0	37	5,236	12,173	101,916
Southwest	FIRES	612	154	12	26	405	608	1,817
	ACRES	30,209	4,414	187	4,325	31,071	445,278	515,484
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	845	270	21	13	795	401	2,345
	ACRES	19,766	30,674	1,246	820	156,607	231,845	440,958
Eastern Area	FIRES	674		43	15	7,318	446	8,496
	ACRES	1,630		4,754	401	70,277	8,666	85,728
Southern Area	FIRES	295		35	35	12,987	486	13,838
	ACRES	32,886		17,299	16,653	162,003	78,224	307,065
TOTAL	FIRES	3,297	1,308	177	171	26,295	3,016	34,264
	ACRES	157,575	1,351,204	63,943	91,230	735,405	1,100,280	3,499,637

Ten Year Average Fires	45,100
Ten Year Average Acres	3,553,346

*** 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					13	1	14
	ACRES					739	210	949
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	13	1	14
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	739	210	949

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	16			157	240
	ACRES	3,502	7,000	1,370			31,956	43,828
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	5	159	180
	ACRES		1,521	381	946	1,735	4,120	8,703
Northern Rockies	FIRES	15	10	68	4	32	187	316
	ACRES	1,792	5,320	16,495	238	1,709	19,890	45,444
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		12	2	4	21	42	81
	ACRES		878	188	269	338	18,824	20,497
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	5,472	109		38,954	54,268
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	24	91	21	18	61	238
	ACRES	2,025	2,987	19,979	2,492	8,377	10,819	46,679
Eastern Area	FIRES	36		489	41	909	151	1,626
	ACRES	22,098		78,506	9,054	56,878	57,523	224,059
Southern Area	FIRES	23		135	53	8,224	826	9,261
	ACRES	4,783		57,174	37,634	464,207	805,262	1,369,060
TOTAL	FIRES	138	149	844	166	9,232	1,871	12,400
	ACRES	35,521	28,689	202,605	50,911	546,837	1,000,651	1,865,214

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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	17	247	495	2,372
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	79	62,876
ALBERTA	2	9,117	963	325,060
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	2,599	168	143,520
SASKATCHEWAN	4	1,872	270	152,018
MANITOBA	6	10,784	298	49,880
ONTARIO	43	47	914	56,557
QUEBEC	3	0	515	69,463
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	153	137,389
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	1	283	348
NOVA SCOTIA	6	1	302	771
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	5	9
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	37	163,141
TOTALS	85	24,667	4,482	1,163,405

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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