

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Tuesday August 6, 2013 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 3**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (105 new fires)
New large fires:	4 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	24
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	11

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

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

One MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 145<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, Charlotte (North Carolina Air National Guard), and one from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing, Cheyenne (Wyoming Air National Guard), are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Boise, ID.

**Northwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	10
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	10
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

**Douglas Complex** (three fires), Oregon DOF. IMT 2 (Sifford). Seven miles north of Glendale, OR. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures and a communication site threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Whiskey Complex** (two fires), Umpqua NF. IMT 2 (Williams). Six miles east of Tiller, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with occasional torching and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Big Windy Complex** (three fires), Grants Pass Unit, Oregon DOF. IMT 1 (Schulte). Twenty-five miles northwest of Grants Pass, OR. Timber and brush. Torching and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

**Labrador**, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Fillis). Thirteen miles northwest of Cave Junction, OR. Timber and brush. Creeping. Structures threatened.

**Colockum Tarps**, Southeast Region, Washington DNR. IMT 2 (Nickey). Six miles southeast of Malaga, WA. Timber and grass. Moderate fire behavior with occasional single tree torching. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Green Ridge**, Deschutes NF. IMT 2 (Minton). Fourteen miles northwest of Sisters, OR. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Residences threatened. Area 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
Douglas Complex	OR	DOF	38,406	2,773	17	UNK	3,080	428	92	97	18	4	17.6M	ST
Whiskey Complex	OR	UPF	7,409	1,164	30	8/20	957	-25	27	37	9	0	7.5M	FS
Big Windy Complex	OR	DOF	9,192	1,693	0	9/1	1,159	227	33	31	4	0	5.2M	ST
Labrador	OR	RSF	2,020	0	N/A	N/A	366	-6	7	8	6	0	4.6M	FS
Colockum Tarps	WA	SES	80,400	0	60	8/11	810	61	22	53	4	5	6.5M	ST
Green Ridge	OR	DEF	500	255	30	8/10	452	70	13	18	6	0	953K	FS
Mile Marker 28	WA	YAA	26,092	-1,012	100	---	543	-72	12	33	0	0	10.9M	BIA
Brimstone	OR	DOF	2,372	0	100	---	136	-395	5	10	2	0	7.3M	ST
Riverside Block Complex	WA	NES	1,024	0	100	---	170	-2	5	12	1	0	540K	ST

YAA – Yakama Agency, BIA

NES – Northeast Region, Washington DNR

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

New fires: 19  
 New large fires: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**Aspen**, Sierra NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Seven miles northwest of Big Creek, CA. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior. Structures and power lines threatened. Area closures in effect.

\* **Falls**, Cleveland NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Six miles southwest of Lake Elsinore, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

\* **Power**, Stanislaus NF. IMT 2 (Garwood). Four miles northwest of Pinecrest, CA. Timber and brush. Crowning and spotting. Residences 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
Aspen	CA	SNF	20,797	545	75	8/10	1,729	-99	36	98	10	0	23.4M	FS
* Falls	CA	CNF	400	---	0	UNK	265	---	16	20	2	0	10K	FS
* Power	CA	STF	275	---	0	UNK	233	---	7	7	3	0	100K	FS

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

New fires: 19  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Salmon River Complex** (two fires), Klamath NF. IMT 1 (McGowan). Four miles west of Sawyers Bar, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs and group tree torching. Structures threatened.

**Butler**, Six Rivers NF. IMT 2 (Johnson). Ten miles east of Somes Bar, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and long-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and 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
Salmon River Complex	CA	KNF	5,252	1,705	4	UNK	900	232	30	34	7	0	2.8M	FS
Butler	CA	SRF	2,800	1,300	5	UNK	823	187	15	35	11	0	2.2M	FS

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

New fires: 11  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 NIMOs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Packer Creek**, Bridger-Teton NF. Twenty-eight miles north of Pinedale, WY. Timber. Smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Lodgepole**, Salmon-Challis NF. NIMO (Houseman) and IMT 2 (Whalen). Ten miles west of Challis, ID. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with group tree torching. Structures threatened.

\* **Mabey**, Caribou County. Five miles northeast of Bancroft, ID. Grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior. Residences 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
Packer Creek	WY	BTF	401	40	20	8/9	226	30	7	11	4	0	1.2M	FS
Lodgepole	ID	SCF	20,325	0	40	UNK	617	-171	12	26	12	0	13M	FS
* Mabey	ID	3CN	400	---	20	UNK	60	---	1	4	1	0	50K	CNTY

### **Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 9  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Moose Meadows**, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Twenty miles southwest of Philipsburg, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

**Gold Pan Complex**, Bitterroot NF. IMT 1 (Poncin). Thirty-five miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with isolated single tree torching. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Crescendo**, Idaho Panhandle NF. Twenty-two miles south of Avery, ID. Timber and brush. Creeping. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Emigrant**, Gallatin NF. Nine miles south of Emigrant, MT. Timber and grass. Creeping and 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
Moose Meadows	MT	BDF	3,500	0	70	9/1	340	-7	10	6	3	0	5.3M	FS
Gold Pan Complex	MT	BRF	16,342	0	N/A	N/A	464	8	10	10	6	0	3.4M	FS
Crescendo	ID	IPF	1,100	190	0	UNK	54	-2	0	5	0	0	1.6M	FS
Emigrant	MT	GNF	626	1	5	10/20	45	0	1	4	1	0	1.4M	FS

### Alaska Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 2

**Stuart Creek #2**, Military Zone, Alaska Fire Service. Twenty-five miles east of North Pole AK. Black spruce and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

\* **Crater Creek**, Upper Yukon Zone, Alaska Fire Service. Started on Native Claims Act land thirteen miles northwest of Venetie, AK. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Moon Lake**, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Twenty miles west of Tok, AK. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with torching. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Tetlin Jct. Ridge**, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Eighteen miles east of Tok, AK. Timber. Surface fire. 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
Stuart Creek #2	AK	MID	86,890	376	71	9/1	88	-37	2	5	3	5	20.1M	DOD
* Crater Creek	AK	UYD	650	---	0	8/8	21	---	1	0	0	0	114K	NCA
Moon Lake	AK	TAS	19,667	---	N/A	N/A	102	---	6	0	2	0	6M	ST
Tetlin Jct. Ridge	AK	TAS	9,500	---	N/A	N/A	11	---	0	0	0	0	2.7M	ST

### Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 14  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

**Hardluck**, Shoshone NF. Previously reported incident. Fifty-two miles southwest of Cody, WY. Timber. Short crown runs with torching and spotting. 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
Hardluck	MT	SHF	7,600	---	N/A	N/A	13	---	0	0	1	0	270K	FS

**Other Fires**

(As of August 2)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	33	643,622	3	2	2	101
NW	4	54,939	5	11	2	160
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	4	14,622	1	0	1	36
EB	5	12,179	7	0	5	246
WB	1	27,883	1	2	0	37
SW	2	438	1	6	0	59
RM	2	5,043	1	2	1	45
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	1	450	0	4	1	15
Total	52	759,176	19	27	12	699

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Scattered thunderstorms will form over the Southwest and central Rockies. Isolated thunderstorms are possible in the far northern Rockies. Hot and dry conditions will continue over most of the West. Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms will form over the Plains. Showers and thunderstorms will also form in the afternoon across the Southeast. Cool weather will continue over the far northern Plains to New England. The southern Plains and the Gulf Coast region will be hot.

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



## ATTEMPTING A FRONTAL ASSAULT ON A FIRE

*Fireline Safety Category*

- Attempting a frontal assault on a fire is recognized as Watchout Situation #10 and is a potentially dangerous tactic.
  - If your tactics include a frontal assault, the following checklist must be adequately addressed before engaging the fire:
  - Has the fire been scouted and sized up? Who will scout and size up a fire and what are they looking for?
  - Is your position defensible? List what makes a firefighter's position defensible. (Anchor points, safety zones, escape routes, etc.)
  - Are escape routes and safety zones adequate? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route.
  - Do you have an anchor point? How would you establish an anchor point for a frontal assault on a fire?
  - Do you have adequate resources to complete the assault? Discuss things you need to consider; for example, if the frontal assault fails, do you have backup?
  - Are you informed on strategy, tactics, and hazards? Consider what could happen if someone has a different approach than you; i.e., the IC has a burnout operation planned while you are attempting frontal assault.
  - Is the terrain favorable to holding the fire? Discuss ways the terrain will influence where you will make a stand.
  - Are you relying on aircraft for support operation? Any operation, especially frontal assault, should not need air resources to be safe.
- In order to reduce the risks, reassess your tactics, post lookouts, identify situations in which firefighters may be enticed to attempt frontal assault on a fire. Review why this may or may not be a good idea.

References:

[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		0	0	0	4		4
	ACRES		4,884	4,890	1,293	423		11,490
Northwest	FIRES	1	1				8	10
	ACRES	1	0				168	169
Northern California	FIRES					18	1	19
	ACRES					96	3,260	3,356
Southern California	FIRES		1			17	1	19
	ACRES		0			91	545	636
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1	5	3	9
	ACRES				200	4	0	204
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		4			2	5	11
	ACRES		4			400	10	414
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	1		1		4
	ACRES		665	0		1		666
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						373	373
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	8			3	2	14
	ACRES	0	1			0	1,940	1,941
Eastern Area	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					11		11
Southern Area	FIRES					8		8
	ACRES					107		107
TOTAL	FIRES	2	16	1	1	63	22	105
	ACRES	1	5,554	4,890	1,493	1,133	6,296	19,367

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	41	35	28	1,474	7	1,587
	ACRES	0	226,932	172,662	127,390	613,670	2	1,140,656
Northwest	FIRES	113	110	31	8	655	481	1,398
	ACRES	52,911	94,664	463	16	6,508	2,817	157,379
Northern California	FIRES	124	22		9	2,220	381	2,756
	ACRES	115	622		4	15,934	12,985	29,660
Southern California	FIRES	23	90	20	31	2,491	336	2,991
	ACRES	87	2,645	487	230	36,300	89,353	129,102
Northern Rockies	FIRES	450	39	4	7	532	352	1,384
	ACRES	7,161	320	1,008	202	4,545	57,603	70,839
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	45	458	1	26	373	289	1,192
	ACRES	305	101,601	0	65	18,427	42,591	162,989
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	236	4	8	59	65	377
	ACRES	24,470	86,037	1	2	7,094	27,888	145,492
Southwest	FIRES	484	162	25	69	495	879	2,114
	ACRES	45,794	6,737	3,313	1,807	57,961	172,146	287,758
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	530	309	13	27	571	351	1,801
	ACRES	712	8,328	501	1,071	37,071	164,583	212,266
Eastern Area	FIRES	322		39	27	4,579	135	5,102
	ACRES	7,193		996	87	33,100	1,074	42,450
Southern Area	FIRES	150		63	17	8,428	330	8,988
	ACRES	11,138		4,296	1,445	88,160	11,070	116,109
TOTAL	FIRES	2,248	1,467	235	257	21,877	3,606	29,690
	ACRES	149,886	527,886	183,727	132,319	918,770	582,112	2,494,700

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>48,869</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,522,292</b>

\*\*\* 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						2	2
	ACRES						120	120
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						26	26
Southern Area	FIRES					13		13
	ACRES					87		87
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	13	4	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	87	146	233

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	2	13		16
	ACRES			5	22	5,150		5,177
Northwest	FIRES	7	38	9	3		122	179
	ACRES	2,066	9,051	449	67		28,883	40,516
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	16	21		125	176
	ACRES	35	780	15,998	254		5,472	22,539
Southern California	FIRES		5	5	4	5	141	160
	ACRES		38	603	298	165	4,875	5,979
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	13	24	2	96	145	291
	ACRES	1,583	2,904	6,747	156	1,085	9,741	22,216
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	18	1	5	21	50	99
	ACRES	696	1,354	1	693	1,357	14,110	18,211
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	1		12	7	22
	ACRES		24	35		103	300	462
Southwest	FIRES	17	22	5	1		78	123
	ACRES	19,319	11,492	1,372	10		16,530	48,723
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	37	33	10	32	94	218
	ACRES	1,691	3,317	3,956	616	5,090	24,916	39,586
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		243	52	770	119	1,204
	ACRES	23,148		30,818	4,790	31,407	12,376	102,539
Southern Area	FIRES	50		100	11	10,588	887	11,636
	ACRES	14,298		48,028	5,872	568,203	850,596	1,486,997
TOTAL	FIRES	123	147	438	111	11,537	1,768	14,124
	ACRES	62,836	28,960	108,012	12,778	612,560	967,799	1,792,945

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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	0	0	724	5,936
Yukon Territory	0	0	144	201,475
Alberta	7	18	890	19,909
Northwest Territory	3	41	228	354,982
Saskatchewan	3	5	270	234,202
Manitoba	4	16,171	330	597,086
Ontario	1	200	444	41,267
Quebec	2	1	451	1,674,452
Newfoundland	0	0	88	30,366
New Brunswick	0	0	345	868
Nova Scotia	0	0	152	302
Prince Edward Island	0	0	9	55
National Parks	0	0	54	67,224
Total	20	16,436	4,129	3,228,123

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