

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, September 4, 2013 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (114 new fires)
New large fires:	1 (*)
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires: **	18
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

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

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

Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft from the 145th Airlift Wing (North Carolina Air National Guard) are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of McClellan Air Park, CA.

Southern California Area (PL 4)

New fires:	11
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2

Rim, Stanislaus NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Wilkins) to IMT 1 (McGowan) will occur today. IMT 1 in unified command with Cal Fire. Two miles northeast of Buck Meadows, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with running surface fire, crowning and spotting. Numerous structures, power lines and Hetch Hetchy watershed threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

Fish, Sequoia NF. Twenty-five miles northeast of Springville, CA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

Windy, Tule River Agency, BIA. Twelve miles east of Springville, CA. Timber and brush. No further information received. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Windy Peak, Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP. Fourteen miles north of Cedar Grove, CA. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. 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
Rim	CA	STF	235,841	0	80	9/20	4,185	-145	108	223	16	111	77.4M	FS
Fish	CA	SQF	2,060	0	92	UNK	93	-41	4	0	1	0	4.5M	FS
Windy	CA	TIA	231	-19	70	UNK	93	-175	4	6	0	0	200K	BIA
Windy Peak	CA	KNP	681	0	50	10/20	22	0	0	0	2	0	80K	NPS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

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

Miner Paradise Complex (three fires), Gallatin NF. IMT 2 (McBratney). Nineteen miles southwest of Livingston, MT. Timber and grass. Backing fire. Residences threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

Lolo Creek Complex, Southwestern Land Office, Montana DNR. Eight miles west of Lolo, MT. Timber and grass. Interior creeping and smoldering. Power lines threatened.

Gold Pan Complex (two fires), Bitterroot NF. Thirty-five miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Area closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Beaver Creek, Beaverhead/Deerlodge NF. IMT 2 (Hutton). Eighteen miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. Timber. Interior torching with short runs and long-range spotting.

Mount Two Top, Gallatin NF. Eight miles southwest of West Yellowstone, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with isolated single tree torching and short-range spotting. Structures and power lines threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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
Miner Paradise Complex	MT	GNF	11,909	12	60	10/15	175	-17	3	1	4	0	8.1M	FS
Lolo Creek Complex	MT	SWS	10,902	0	95	9/4	205	-42	6	8	1	9	12.1M	ST
Gold Pan Complex	MT	BRF	42,690	112	N/A	N/A	78	0	0	7	2	0	11M	FS
Beaver Creek	MT	BDF	75	0	0	9/6	30	-15	0	0	2	0	275K	FS
Mount Two Top	MT	GNF	137	0	50	9/15	176	76	6	0	5	0	1.1M	FS

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 7
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Weiser Complex, Payette NF. IMT 2 (Whalen). Started on BLM land 20 miles northwest of Midvale, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures and power lines threatened. Area closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Kelley, Sawtooth NF. IMT 2 (Dunford). Seven miles southeast of Featherville, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering with occasional single tree torching. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Little Queens, Sawtooth NF. Six miles north of Atlanta, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Nez Perce**, Salmon-Challis NF. Thirty five miles north of Salmon, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Surface fire with single tree torching. Area closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. 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
Weiser Complex	ID	PAF	29,456	4,017	70	9/8	613	-10	17	13	9	3	4.3M	BLM
Kelley	ID	STF	16,356	684	34	UNK	672	-17	20	17	9	0	5.1M	FS
Little Queens	ID	STF	26,500	0	N/A	N/A	20	-49	0	3	1	1	4.9M	FS
* Nez Perce	ID	SCF	300	---	N/A	N/A	97	----	4	0	0	0	410K	FS

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 10
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 4
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Manastash Ridge, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Nickey) back to the local unit will occur today. Fourteen miles west of Cle Elum, WA. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching.

Big Windy Complex, Grants Pass Unit, Oregon DOF. Twenty-five miles northwest of Grants Pass, OR. Timber and brush. No new information.

Vinegar, Umatilla NF. Twenty-seven miles northeast of John Day, OR. Timber. Interior creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Government Flats Complex, The Dalles Unit, Oregon DOF. Ten miles southwest of The Dalles, OR. Timber and grass. Smoldering. 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
Manastash Ridge	WA	OWF	2,352	0	15	9/30	271	-39	6	0	3	0	5.3M	FS
Big Windy Complex	OR	DOF	24,253	---	87	9/7	290	---	5	12	2	0	34M	ST
Vinegar	OR	UMF	1,350	0	45	9/30	32	-48	1	0	1	0	7.4M	FS
Government Flats Complex	OR	DOF	11,434	0	90	9/4	284	-8	10	15	2	13	14.8M	ST
Middle Fork	OR	VAD	535	1	100	---	0	-122	0	0	0	0	300K	BLM

VAD – Vale District, BLM

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 24
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Corral Complex, Six Rivers NF. IMT 1 (Pincha-Tulley). Ten miles east of Hoopa, CA. Timber and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

Forks Complex, Klamath NF. IMT 2 (Johnson). One mile east of Sawyers Bar, CA. Timber and brush. Minimal 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
Corral Complex	CA	SRF	12,272	348	54	9/10	1,154	-40	20	36	9	0	25.5M	FS
Forks Complex	CA	KNF	35,892	0	45	9/15	339	-86	9	9	3	0	52.7M	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 8

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 0

Burroughs, Shoshone NF. Twelve miles north of Dubois, WY. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. 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
Burroughs	WY	SHF	1,794	0	N/A	N/A	144	-29	4	6	3	0	879K	FS

Other fires

(As of August 30)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	9	204,044	3	1	2	133
NW	14	86,473	22	41	6	1,140
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	2	22,888	4	6	0	129
NR	22	22,221	2	0	2	44
EB	10	22,606	2	2	1	42
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	3	919	0	1	0	10
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	60	359,152	33	51	11	1,498

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered showers and thunderstorms will form over much of the West, with heavier rain falling across the Northwest, the northern Rockies and the northern Great Basin. Scattered thunderstorms will also develop in the afternoon along the Gulf Coast. Temperatures will remain warm in the West, very hot in the Plains and Gulf Coast states and mild over the Great Lakes region and New England.

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



THUNDERSTORM SAFETY

Environmental Factors Category

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		1
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES	1	3			3	3	10
	ACRES	10	0			2	0	12
Northern California	FIRES	3				20	1	24
	ACRES	3				12	79	94
Southern California	FIRES					7	4	11
	ACRES					3	1,457	1,460
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	4	6
	ACRES					0	433	433
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1	6	7
	ACRES					0	4,786	4,786
Western Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					3		3
Southwest	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		0				0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	2	3			1	2	8
	ACRES	0	0			0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					37		37
Southern Area	FIRES					42		42
	ACRES					331		331
TOTAL	FIRES	6	7	0	0	80	21	114
	ACRES	13	0	0	0	388	6,755	7,156

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	43	37	28	478	9	597
	ACRES	0	250,617	186,068	177,263	709,617	2	1,323,567
Northwest	FIRES	158	301	51	44	1,001	1,112	2,667
	ACRES	53,490	135,622	779	247	27,163	13,090	230,391
Northern California	FIRES	132	37		21	2,802	745	3,737
	ACRES	129	633		21	31,698	82,417	114,898
Southern California	FIRES	29	125	25	46	2,900	480	3,605
	ACRES	339	2,937	239	66,879	53,695	262,029	386,118
Northern Rockies	FIRES	572	51	6	18	820	1,259	2,726
	ACRES	7,724	306	1,038	11,601	15,937	131,710	168,316
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	65	681	1	38	594	554	1,933
	ACRES	314	306,473	0	250	40,092	428,479	775,608
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	431	6	9	75	123	653
	ACRES	24,470	106,044	1	3	10,298	46,595	187,411
Southwest	FIRES	514	193	31	85	573	1,077	2,473
	ACRES	47,390	6,824	3,335	1,808	45,317	210,884	315,558
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	619	445	14	30	691	441	2,240
	ACRES	834	8,427	601	1,072	38,683	180,626	230,243
Eastern Area	FIRES	335		39	27	4,908	178	5,487
	ACRES	7,205		996	87	33,464	1,330	43,082
Southern Area	FIRES	158		73	17	8,732	332	9,312
	ACRES	11,349		4,988	1,445	89,507	11,076	118,365
TOTAL	FIRES	2,593	2,307	283	363	23,574	6,310	35,430
	ACRES	153,244	817,883	198,045	260,676	1,095,471	1,368,238	3,893,557

Ten Year Average Fires	56,278
Ten Year Average Acres	6,195,082

*** 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					15		15
	ACRES					52		52
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	15	0	15
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	52	0	52

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	33	7	3		121	171
	ACRES	2,066	8,857	395	67		28,812	40,197
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	16	21		126	177
	ACRES	35	780	15,998	254		5,472	22,539
Southern California	FIRES		5	5	4	1	141	156
	ACRES		38	603	298	120	4,875	5,934
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	12	24	2	93	149	291
	ACRES	1,583	1,204	6,747	156	1,004	9,742	20,436
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	13	23	5	1		83	125
	ACRES	18,285	11,826	1,372	10		18,388	49,881
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	22		248	52	778	160	1,260
	ACRES	23,169		31,441	4,790	31,535	15,727	106,662
Southern Area	FIRES	52		108	11	10,977	897	12,045
	ACRES	15,130		60,962	5,872	579,191	855,049	1,516,204
TOTAL	FIRES	123	142	449	111	11,927	1,828	14,580
	ACRES	62,655	27,400	121,515	12,778	623,550	977,391	1,825,289

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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	32	1,539	1,687	12,974
Yukon Territory	0	0	174	238,790
Alberta	60	1	1,104	21,843
Northwest Territory	0	0	242	517,277
Saskatchewan	8	470	387	306,376
Manitoba	1	8	421	684,737
Ontario	2	0	548	42,462
Quebec	0	0	483	1,715,372
Newfoundland	1	0	99	30,489
New Brunswick	0	0	352	872
Nova Scotia	0	0	169	303
Prince Edward Island	0	0	9	55
National Parks	0	0	80	77,486
Total	104	2,018	5,755	3,649,037

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 change, and therefore may not match official year-to-date agency records.

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