

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Sunday, September 15, 2013 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (78 new fires)  
 New large fires: 0 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 5  
 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.

**Northern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 27  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Clover**, Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. Transfer of command from Cal Fire IMT 1 (Smith) back to the local unit will occur today. Ten miles southwest of Redding, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

**Forks Complex**, Klamath NF. One mile east of Sawyers Bar, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Corral Complex**, Six Rivers NF. Ten miles east of Hoopa, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior. 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
Clover	CA	SHU	8,073	0	95	9/15	390	-348	6	30	0	196	5.4M	ST
Forks Complex	CA	KNF	37,060	259	68	10/1	528	-54	15	57	8	0	57.4M	FS
Corral Complex	CA	SRF	12,500	9	79	9/20	170	67	5	3	5	0	34.9M	FS
Morgan	CA	SCU	3,111	0	100	---	231	0	8	3	0	0	5M	ST

SCU – Santa Clara Unit, Cal Fire

**Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 12  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Rim**, Stanislaus NF. IMT 1 (McGowan). Two miles northeast of Buck Meadows, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Surface fire with isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and 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
Rim	CA	STF	255,858	0	81	9/20	1,935	-235	34	61	10	112	111.3M	FS

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)**

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

**BLX Flood**, Boulder County. IMT 2 (Dallas). Personnel are assisting with evacuations and damage assessment. Numerous communities threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect. Sporadic precipitation continues across the affected area.

\* **Larimer Flood 2013**, Larimer County. IMT 2 (Del Grosso). Personnel are assisting with evacuations and damage assessment. Numerous communities threatened. Evacuations 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
BLX Flood	CO	BLX	---	---	NR	UNK	882	701	8	9	4	0	623K	CNTY
* Larimer Flood 2013	CO	LRX	---	---	NR	UNK	132	---	1	0	8	3,700	354K	CNTY

**Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 13  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Kelley**, Sawtooth NF. Seven miles southeast of Featherville, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. 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
Kelley	ID	STF	17,346	0	97	UNK	79	-15	3	1	1	0	9.1M	FS
Weiser Complex	ID	PAF	29,457	0	100	---	29	-14	0	2	0	3	7.7M	BLM
Hwy 46 MM 123	ID	TFD	3,462	-38	100	---	47	-53	2	1	0	0	250K	BLM

PAF – Payette NF

TFD – Twin Falls District, BLM

**Other fires**

(As of September 13)

<b>GACC</b>	<b>Fires</b>	<b>Cumulative Acres</b>	<b>Crews</b>	<b>Engines</b>	<b>Helicopters</b>	<b>Total Personnel</b>
AK	7	124,289	0	0	0	0
NW	15	73,109	13	24	3	571
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	44	95,500	7	7	8	267
EB	17	50,511	1	7	1	62
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	1	505	0	1	0	8
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	2	660	2	1	0	25
Total	87	344,864	23	40	12	933

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Scattered thunderstorms will develop over the central and southern Rockies, producing locally heavy rain over the Front Range. Showers and thunderstorms will also form along a cold front stretching from northern New Mexico to the Great Lakes. Scattered thunderstorms will form along the Gulf Coast with heavy rain possible in South Texas. A cold front moving into the Northwest will bring rain and a few thunderstorms to Washington, Oregon and parts of Idaho. Most of the northern half of the country and all of the Rockies will be cool to mild. Warm to very warm conditions will continue in the Gulf States and across the Southwest deserts.

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



## BUILDING FIRELINE DOWNHILL WITH FIRE BELOW

*Fireline Safety Category*

As a general rule, construct line moving uphill. Many firefighters have lost their lives attacking wildland fires from above. If there is no practical alternative to constructing line downhill, proceed only after weighing the following considerations:

- Has the area been scouted for fire perimeter and behavior? Discuss what you need to know about the fire perimeter and fire behavior before building fireline downhill with fire below.
- Will wind direction be at your back? Will it stay at your back? Talk about how winds can change when you are on a slope (e.g., time of day, upslope and down slope breezes, etc.).
- Is the area free of chimneys and gullies? How would you negotiate your line location if there were chimneys and gullies below where you needed to be working?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes as you progress downhill? How do you maintain adequate safety zones and escape routes as you progress downhill?
- Can you carry your burnout downhill as you go to provide an anchor point and safety zones? Discuss how you decide when to carry the burnout with you or wait until you have tied in down below.
- Have lookouts been posted? What do the lookouts need to be on the watch for?
- Do you have good communications, especially with lookouts and crews working towards you? What are some of the dangers of not communicating with lookouts and crews working towards you? What are the benefits of maintaining good communications?
- Can the line be completed and burned out before the fire reaches the line? Discuss how this would affect where you locate the line.
- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assignment? What additional resources might you need to safely take on an assignment that includes building fireline downhill with fire below?
- Is aerial support available if needed? What benefits can aerial resources provide? What might be an added danger from aerial resources in this type of situation? (Common Denominators)
- Has everyone been briefed on the assignment, fire behavior, weather, communications, escape routes and safety zones, hazards and tactics? Discuss who might provide this briefing and where and when it might occur.

### References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)  
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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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			1	7	2	11
	ACRES	0			0	46	21	67
Northern California	FIRES	3	1			14	9	27
	ACRES	2	0			3	1	6
Southern California	FIRES				1	8	3	12
	ACRES				2,697	3	3	2,703
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	4	5
	ACRES					1	8	9
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			1	11	13
	ACRES		4			0	7	11
Western Great Basin	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	0	0
Southwest	FIRES	1				1	2	4
	ACRES	0				0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				0			0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					8		8
TOTAL	FIRES	5	2	0	3	36	32	78
	ACRES	2	4	0	2,697	61	40	2,804

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	43	37	29	487	9	606
	ACRES	465	408,261	108,250	169,044	631,698	1	1,317,719
Northwest	FIRES	181	339	54	57	1,126	1,301	3,058
	ACRES	53,531	136,808	794	265	27,640	15,172	234,210
Northern California	FIRES	141	38	1	18	3,048	787	4,033
	ACRES	136	633	48	6	71,862	89,953	162,638
Southern California	FIRES	30	128	26	51	3,008	520	3,763
	ACRES	339	3,048	242	79,174	53,922	265,778	402,503
Northern Rockies	FIRES	591	81	8	18	915	1,029	2,642
	ACRES	7,903	733	1,100	11,601	16,548	140,116	178,001
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	65	663	1	39	630	607	2,005
	ACRES	314	307,648	0	250	40,149	430,261	778,622
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	445	6	9	79	129	677
	ACRES	24,470	106,068	1	3	10,303	46,598	187,443
Southwest	FIRES	534	201	31	87	576	1,094	2,523
	ACRES	47,393	6,852	3,335	1,808	45,317	210,997	315,702
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	648	477	14	32	732	479	2,382
	ACRES	878	8,519	601	1,072	38,812	180,430	230,312
Eastern Area	FIRES	335		39	27	5,021	181	5,603
	ACRES	7,205		996	87	33,635	1,330	43,253
Southern Area	FIRES	163		80	17	9,799	351	10,410
	ACRES	11,390		13,475	1,445	110,429	11,761	148,500
TOTAL	FIRES	2,698	2,415	297	384	25,421	6,487	37,702
	ACRES	154,024	978,570	128,842	264,755	1,080,315	1,392,397	3,998,903

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>58,378</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,526,417</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			1			2	3
	ACRES			25			18	43
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						482	482
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	1						1
	ACRES	78						78
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	1	0	0	5	7
	ACRES	78	0	25	0	0	500	603

### 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	34	13	3		124	181
	ACRES	2,066	9,063	680	67		29,422	41,298
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	18	13	24	2	93	162	312
	ACRES	1,448	2,904	6,747	156	1,004	10,656	22,915
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	19	1	5	22	57	108
	ACRES	696	1,394	1	693	1,359	14,359	18,502
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1		12	7	23
	ACRES		24	35		103	300	462
Southwest	FIRES	19	23	5	1		83	131
	ACRES	19,320	11,926	1,372	10		18,865	51,493
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	14	37	33	10	32	94	220
	ACRES	2,060	3,317	3,956	616	5,090	24,916	39,955
Eastern Area	FIRES	22		251	52	784	163	1,272
	ACRES	23,169		31,801	4,790	31,857	15,772	107,389
Southern Area	FIRES	55		108	11	11,201	899	12,274
	ACRES	15,235		47,720	5,872	582,177	860,854	1,511,858
TOTAL	FIRES	141	146	458	111	12,158	1,856	14,870
	ACRES	64,029	29,446	108,918	12,778	626,860	985,491	1,827,522

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

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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