

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Sunday, August 17, 2014 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 4**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (95 new fires)
New large fires:	1 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	24
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	12

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

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

Two MAFFS C-130 air tankers and support personnel from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing (Wyoming Air National Guard) have been deployed to Boise, ID to support wildland fire suppression operations in the western U.S.

**Northwest Area (PL 5)**

New fires:	22
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	9
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

**Devils Elbow Complex**, Colville BIA. IMT 2 (Nickey). Thirty miles west of Nespelem, WA. Timber and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Area closure in effect. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Hansel Creek**, Southeast Region, DNR. IMT 1 (Schulte). IMT is also managing the Duncan fire and Chiwaukum Complex. Eight miles south of Leavenworth, WA. Timber and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened.

**Duncan**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Fifteen miles northwest of Entiat, WA. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Chiwaukum Complex**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Nine miles north of Stevens Pass, WA. Timber, light logging slash and brush. Smoldering. Numerous structures, railroad and energy infrastructure threatened.

**Upper Falls**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 1 (Lund). IMT is also managing the Little Bridge Creek fire and the Carlton Complex. Seventeen miles north of Winthrop, WA. Timber, light logging slash and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Little Bridge Creek**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Ten miles west of Winthrop, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Carlton Complex**, Northeast Region, DNR. Started on private land seven miles south of Twisp, WA. Timber, light logging slash, brush and grass. Interior creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Staley Complex**, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Russell). Twenty-eight miles south of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with occasional torching. Area closure in effect.

**South Fork Complex**, Prineville District, BLM. IMT 2 (Fillis). Twenty miles south of John Day, OR. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering with occasional torching. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Somers**, Wallowa-Whitman NF. IMT 2 (Kidd). Fifteen miles east of Imnaha, OR. Timber and grass. Structures threatened. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping. No further information received.

**Snag Canyon**, Southeast Region, DNR. IMT 1 (Turman). IMT is also managing the South Cle Elum Ridge fire. Started on private land 12 miles north of Ellensburg, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Area closures in effect.

**South Cle Elum Ridge**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. Seven miles southwest of Cle Elum, WA. Timber, logging slash and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Area closure in effect.

**Haven Lake**, South Puget Sound Region, DNR. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Rabe) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Started on private land eight miles west of Skokomish, WA. Timber with heavy logging slash. Smoldering. Structures threatened.

**Bald Sisters**, Malheur NF. IMT 2 (Day) and NIMO (Quesinberry). Twelve miles east of Prairie City, OR. Timber. Smoldering.

**Rogue River Drive**, Medford Unit, Oregon DOF. Fifteen miles north of Medford, OR. Timber, brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous 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
Devils Elbow Complex	WA	COA	26,990	641	50	8/21	907	117	25	47	5	2	10.2M	BIA
Hansel Creek	WA	SES	1,016	0	N/A	N/A	104	-12	3	7	1	0	2.7M	ST
Duncan	WA	OWF	12,671	12	N/A	N/A	268	-16	5	25	2	0	5.8M	FS
Chiwaukum Complex	WA	OWF	14,201	0	N/A	N/A	399	-43	3	20	2	4	27.1M	FS
Upper Falls	WA	OWF	8,120	2	N/A	N/A	312	84	9	31	0	0	4.1M	FS
Little Bridge Creek	WA	OWF	4,958	62	N/A	N/A	918	16	25	45	8	0	8.4M	FS
Carlton Complex	WA	NES	256,108	0	N/A	N/A	457	-67	5	40	1	471	72.9M	PRI
Staley Complex	OR	WIF	266	-2	32	8/22	501	-24	9	25	4	0	4.9M	FS
South Fork Complex	OR	PRD	64,883	0	66	9/1	646	-79	12	20	8	2	11.3M	BLM
Somers	OR	WWF	35,917	8,917	50	UNK	373	48	6	9	5	1	2.5M	FS
Snag Canyon	WA	SES	12,667	0	76	UNK	580	-194	11	33	5	22	11.1M	PRI

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
South Cle Elum Ridge	WA	OWF	894	0	77	UNK	397	-96	10	27	1	0	4.1M	FS
Haven Lake	WA	SPS	168	0	63	8/17	320	30	8	10	0	0	1.4M	PRI
Bald Sisters	OR	MAF	1,108	0	0	10/15	356	23	8	0	3	0	4.7M	FS
Rogue River Drive	OR	711S	500	0	60	UNK	405	-1	14	25	2	0	1.9M	ST

#### Northern California Area (PL 4)

New fires: 22  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 9  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**July Complex** (2 fires), Klamath NF. IMT 1 (McGowan). Includes previously reported Man fire. Four miles east of Sawyers Bar, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

**KNF Beaver**, Klamath NF. IMT 2 (Minton). Started on private land 16 miles northwest of Yreka, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Active interior burning with isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Happy Camp Complex** (3 fires), Klamath NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Garwood) to IMT 2 (Wakowski) will occur tomorrow. One mile east of Happy Camp, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road closure in effect.

**Lodge Complex**, Mendocino Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Derum). Twelve miles northwest of Laytonville, CA. Timber and chaparral. Interior creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened.

**Log**, Klamath NF. Unified command between IMT 1 (McGowan) and Cal Fire. Six miles west of Greenview, CA. Timber. Active interior burning with torching. Numerous structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Eiler**, Lassen NF. Four miles southeast of Burney, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Minimal 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
July Complex	CA	KNF	28,650	1,833	12	8/30	1,030	-184	23	53	8	3	18.4M	FS
KNF Beaver	CA	KNF	32,307	0	80	8/22	1,141	-86	28	50	6	3	21.2M	PRI
Happy Camp Complex	CA	KNF	3,131	776	10	8/27	890	138	19	58	6	0	2.6M	FS
Lodge Complex	CA	MEU	12,346	0	75	8/20	1,272	-255	44	42	3	0	35M	ST
Log	CA	KNF	3,324	8	60	8/20	642	-54	23	38	0	0	8.4M	FS
Eiler	CA	LNF	32,416	0	97	8/20	1,052	0	27	60	3	21	24.6M	FS
Bald	CA	LNF	39,736	0	100	---	93	0	2	6	0	0	10.8M	FS

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
Coffee Complex	CA	SHF	6,178	0	100	---	102	-44	1	1	2	0	5.4M	FS

SHF – Shasta-Trinity NF

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires: 17  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**Johnson Bar**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF. IMT 2 (Leach). Twenty miles southeast of Kooskia, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Thompson River Complex** (2 fires), Lolo NF. IMT 2 (Kusicko). Six miles northeast of Thompson Falls, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Transportation infrastructure threatened.

**Seepay**, Flathead Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Hutton). Started on state land 15 miles northeast of Superior, MT. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. 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
Johnson Bar	ID	NCF	7,000	335	0	UNK	648	-22	15	26	4	0	5.3M	FS
Thompson River Complex	MT	LNF	1,646	11	40	10/20	513	-6	15	13	7	0	6.6M	FS
Seepay	MT	FHA	1,050	0	N/A	N/A	200	-27	4	8	2	0	1.3M	ST

### Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 18  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**French**, Sierra NF. Eighteen miles east of Oakhurst, CA. Timber and brush. Minimal 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
French	CA	SNF	13,837	0	97	8/19	192	-19	6	5	0	0	21.2M	FS

### Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 0  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 2

**TXS-014011**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 11 miles southwest of Sweetwater, TX. Juniper, brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

\* **Otipoby**, Anadarko Agency, BIA. Six miles southwest of Elgin, OK. Grass. Active fire behavior with spotting. 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
TXS-014011	TX	TXS	500	0	10	UNK	53	2	0	14	0	0	NR	PRI
* Otipoby	OK	ANA	400	---	74	8/17	13	---	1	2	0	0	3K	BIA

### Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

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
The Sisters	AK	GAD	2,632	0	100	---	14	0	0	0	2	0	202K	BIA

GAD – Galena Zone, Alaska Fire Service

**Other Fires**

(As of August 15)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	5	5,632	0	0	3	83
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	1	3,593	4	0	0	76
EB	2	614	0	5	2	42
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	4	7,049	0	4	0	13
RM	1	1,529	0	0	0	2
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	1	505	0	0	1	8
Total	14	25,971	4	9	6	224

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A few showers will linger over the northern Rockies with scattered thunderstorms developing in the afternoon over the southern and central Rockies. Scattered thunderstorms will spread across the upper and mid-Mississippi Valley and move into the Ohio Valley. Showers will develop over New England. Temperatures in most of the West will remain warm with hot conditions in desert Southwest. Cool weather will remain over the Midwest and New England with warm to very warm conditions in the South.

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



## FIRE NOT SCOUTED AND SIZED UP

*Operational Engagement Category*

Watchout Situation #1 comes up during initial attack and **every time** resources arrive at a fire.

- Before taking action on the fire, the following considerations must be addressed:
  - Can you personally observe the fire or must you use scouts? Describe ways you can scout and size up a fire.
  - Do you know the location of the fire perimeter? Discuss situations in which the fire perimeter may not be obvious. (Spotty fires, etc.)
  - Do you know the direction of fire spread? When isn't the direction of fire spread obvious? (Wind shifts, spotty fires, etc.)
  - Does the direction of fire spread increase risk? Talk about situations where you may have to approach the head of the fire. (Hiking down from a helispot, approaching from an existing road, switching winds, etc.)
  - Do you know the fuels and their condition? What kind of information will you assume from what you already know about fuel types? (Spot fires in fir, extreme fire potential in flashy fuels, etc.)
  - Are there aerial resources that can act as lookouts?
- Continued...
  - Do topographic hazards exist? What can you assume from what kind of terrain the fire covers? (Slope, chimneys, aspect, etc.)
  - Does enough information exist to establish a plan of attack? When do you have enough information to begin fighting fire? What do you need to know?
  - Do other dangers exist? Have you talked about factors specific to the area you are working in? (Hunters in the woods, drought, snag patches, etc.)
- To reduce the risks:
  - Post lookouts until the fire is sized up and escape routes and safety zones are established.
  - Retreat if the situation is too complex. Review fires where you had to wait until the area in which you were assigned to work was scouted and sized up before you were allowed onto the fireline.

**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	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest	FIREs	0	1	0	1	14	6	22
	ACRES	0	1	0	1	28	2	32
Northern California	FIREs	3	0	0	0	12	7	22
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	20	2,476	2,496
Southern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	12	6	18
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	8	3	11
Northern Rockies	FIREs	0	0	0	0	9	8	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	55	11	66
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	0	3	0	0	2	3	8
	ACRES	0	82	0	0	0	0	82
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1	2	0	0	1	2	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	FIREs	4	7	0	1	50	33	95
	ACRES	0	83	0	1	111	2,492	2,687

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	0	52	0	0	291	19	362
	ACRES	0	28,965	0	0	201,234	5	230,204
Northwest	FIREs	297	261	47	49	893	1,098	2,645
	ACRES	71,147	697,023	144	2,614	274,168	113,331	1,158,427
Northern California	FIREs	87	35	6	7	2,355	684	3,174
	ACRES	83	16,100	23	30	80,684	95,172	192,092
Southern California	FIREs	35	58	12	51	2,031	409	2,596
	ACRES	234	1,569	517	199	19,707	22,329	44,555
Northern Rockies	FIREs	590	65	5	7	762	553	1,982
	ACRES	9,930	1,485	1,163	3	81,488	15,027	109,096
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	37	388	1	25	1,114	444	2,009
	ACRES	1,159	60,721	0	204	20,669	14,352	97,105
Western Great Basin	FIREs	9	264	1	16	48	80	418
	ACRES	168	32,428	0	7	1,097	24,227	57,927
Southwest	FIREs	447	151	11	39	568	723	1,939
	ACRES	98,952	1,484	577	7,349	14,290	77,499	200,151
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	440	314	21	17	589	208	1,589
	ACRES	2,321	9,679	1,181	2,505	47,362	2,130	65,178
Eastern Area	FIREs	408	0	46	22	4,742	316	5,534
	ACRES	602	0	1,492	186	33,989	4,890	41,159
Southern Area	FIREs	382	0	83	26	13,527	476	14,494
	ACRES	110,755	0	4,163	282	241,300	34,770	391,270
TOTAL	FIREs	2,732	1,588	233	259	26,920	5,010	36,742
	ACRES	295,351	849,454	9,260	13,379	1,015,988	403,732	2,587,164

Ten Year Average Fires	51,902
Ten Year Average Acres	5,261,379

\*\*\* 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	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest	FIREs	3	0	0	0	14	4	21
	ACRES	256	0	0	0	446	0	702
Northern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	FIREs	3	0	0	0	14	4	21
	ACRES	256	0	0	0	446	0	702

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year to Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	0	7	0	0	0	0	7
	ACRES	0	59,591	0	0	0	0	59,591
Northwest	FIREs	12	46	6	3	15	168	250
	ACRES	2,906	11,255	2,937	37	447	20,826	38,408
Northern California	FIREs	2	3	16	9	0	127	157
	ACRES	56	135	7,322	60	0	5,950	13,523
Southern California	FIREs	2	5	3	6	0	71	87
	ACRES	9	277	191	454	0	2,082	3,013
Northern Rockies	FIREs	13	20	43	4	11	115	206
	ACRES	2,553	8,090	9,365	3,253	241	16,145	39,647
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	3	14	5	7	30	62	121
	ACRES	355	4,062	2,184	56	1,006	19,278	26,941
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	3	1	0	7	3	14
	ACRES	0	716	300	0	147	216	1,379
Southwest	FIREs	6	16	7	1	1	50	81
	ACRES	1,625	16,408	1,959	9	75	19,648	39,724
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	21	35	92	18	67	74	307
	ACRES	1,802	2,731	19,531	4,833	2,344	10,257	41,498
Eastern Area	FIREs	53	0	310	50	1,173	167	1,753
	ACRES	58,417	0	46,808	5,550	71,130	63,942	245,847
Southern Area	FIREs	88	0	180	28	7,649	864	8,809
	ACRES	17,721	0	66,834	31,863	340,483	887,330	1,344,231
TOTAL	FIREs	200	149	663	126	8,953	1,701	11,792
	ACRES	85,444	103,265	157,431	46,115	415,873	1,045,674	1,853,802

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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	13	5,366	1,181	278,955
Yukon Territory	0	0	31	1,208
Alberta	10	35	1,195	20,885
Northwest Territory	3	254,492	370	3,320,275
Saskatchewan	3	3,126	370	298,211
Manitoba	4	31	198	8,797
Ontario	2	10	276	4,640
Quebec	0	0	253	38,343
Newfoundland	0	1,981	103	10,819
New Brunswick	0	0	161	103
Nova Scotia	0	0	149	509
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	78	141,241
Total	35	265,041	4,365	4,123,987

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