

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Sunday, July 27, 2014 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 3**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (122 new fires)
New large fires:	4(*)
Large fires contained:	8
Uncontained large fires: **	28
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	8
Type 2 IMTs committed:	11

\*\* 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:	24
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	17
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed	5
Type 2 IMTs committed	8

**Chiwaukum Complex**, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 1 (Dueitt). Nine miles northwest of Leavenworth, WA. Timber, heavy logging slash and brush. Creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

**Carlton Complex**, Northeast Region, DNR. IMT 1 (Opliger), IMT 1 (Blume), IMT 2 (Rabe), IMT 2 (Allbee) and NIMO (Hahnenberg). Started on private land seven miles south of Twisp, WA. Timber, light logging slash and brush. Creeping and smoldering with short runs and short-range spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**Kitten Complex (4 fires)**, Vale District, BLM. IMT 1 (Poncin). Twelve miles south of Ironside, OR. Brush. Isolated short runs and torching. Structures threatened. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

**Ochoco Complex**, Ochoco NF. IMT 2 (Dunford). Twenty-eight miles east of Prineville, OR. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Sage-grouse habitat threatened. No further information received.

**Bridge 99 Complex**, Deschutes NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Fillis) back to the local unit will occur today. Twenty miles north of Sisters, OR. Mixed conifer, brush and grass. Smoldering. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Logging Unit Complex (5 fires)**, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. IMT 1 (Schulte). Twenty-five miles northwest of Warm Springs, OR. Timber, medium logging slash and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Camp Creek**, Vale District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Watts) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Buzzard Complex. Eleven miles southeast of Juntura, OR. Brush. Sage-grouse habitat threatened. No further information received.

**Buzzard Complex**, Burns District, BLM. Thirteen miles northwest of Riverside, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Sage-grouse habitat threatened. No further information received.

**Rye Valley**, Vale District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Thorpe) back to the local unit will occur today. Fifteen miles northwest of Huntington, OR. Brush. Sage-grouse habitat threatened. No further information received.

**Lone Mountain 1**, North Cascades NP. IMT 2 (Hutton). Three miles northeast of Stehekin, WA. Timber and brush. Creeping. Area closures in effect.

**Bingham Complex (2 fires)**, Willamette NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Nickey) back to the local unit will occur today. Five miles east of Marion Forks, OR. Timber. Smoldering and creeping.

**Shaniko Butte**, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles north of Warm Springs, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Structures threatened. No new information.

**Sunflower**, Umatilla NF. Ten miles north of Monument, OR. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Center**, Prineville District, BLM. Started on private land three miles northeast of Post, OR. Juniper, brush and grass. Minimal 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
Chiwaukum Complex	WA	OWF	12,320	65	N/A	N/A	990	-77	26	74	10	5	12.7M	FS
Carlton Complex	WA	NES	250,514	0	59	8/2	3,014	82	76	188	19	304	25.4M	ST
Kitten Complex	OR	VAD	22,685	257	45	7/31	822	312	21	74	5	0	1.8M	BLM
Ochoco Complex	OR	OCF	10,004	0	79	7/29	511	-74	14	10	5	0	3.7M	FS
Bridge 99 Complex	OR	DEF	5,699	0	N/A	N/A	432	-16	10	7	2	0	7M	FS
Logging Unit Complex	OR	WSA	10,480	73	80	8/1	1,303	285	39	67	10	0	9.2M	BIA
Camp Creek	OR	VAD	6,274	0	95	7/28	42	-10	2	0	0	0	771K	BLM
Buzzard Complex	OR	BUD	395,747	0	98	7/31	331	10	4	12	4	4	10.7M	BLM
Rye Valley	OR	VAD	1,434	42	75	7/27	230	-21	6	10	1	0	912K	BLM
Lone Mountain 1	WA	NCP	1,705	0	N/A	N/A	90	11	3	0	2	0	831K	NPS
Bingham Complex	OR	WIF	452	0	N/A	N/A	148	-158	2	1	2	0	4.5M	FS
Shaniko Butte	OR	WSA	42,044	---	90	UNK	206	---	2	6	2	2	4.1M	BIA
Sunflower	OR	UMF	7,175	0	95	7/27	199	-112	4	6	0	0	5.2M	FS
Center	OR	PRD	2,515	0	75	UNK	29	-21	1	2	0	0	350K	PRI

Waterman Complex	OR	952S	12,520	0	100	---	400	-224	9	15	1	0	7.7M	ST
Donnybrook	OR	PRD	22,763	0	100	---	51	-39	1	5	0	0	1.2M	BLM
Pine Creek	OR	PRD	30,245	0	100	---	183	-135	1	8	1	0	5.2M	BLM

952S – John Day Unit, Oregon DOF

### Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 4)

New fires:	16
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	6
Type 1 IMTs committed	1
Type 2 IMTs committed	2

**Levan**, Central Area, Utah DFF. IMT 2 (Rosenthal). One mile south of Levan, UT. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened.

**Black**, Uinta/Wasatch-Cache NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Demasters) back to the local unit will occur today. IMT is also managing the Simpson Complex. Twenty miles southwest of Vernon, UT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Simpson Complex**, Salt Lake Field Office, BLM. Fifteen miles west of Vernon, UT. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. Smoldering.

**Mack**, Boise NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Harvey) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Whiskey Complex. Eight miles southwest of Idaho City, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering.

**Tunnel Hollow**, Northwest Area, Utah DFF. Five miles east of Morgan, UT. Brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Area closures have been lifted.

**Anaconda**, Northwest Area, Utah DFF. Four miles east of Lincoln, UT. Oak, brush and grass. 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
Levan	UT	SCS	4,336	1,336	15	UNK	343	156	9	14	1	0	1.8M	ST
Black	UT	UWF	664	-8	80	UNK	184	-2	6	13	0	4	93K	FS
Simpson Complex	UT	SLD	4,150	0	95	UNK	290	16	7	13	3	0	1.7M	BLM
Mack	ID	BOF	272	12	90	UNK	150	9	8	0	3	0	550K	FS
Tunnel Hollow	UT	NWS	1,600	0	95	7/28	142	-65	5	4	2	0	1.6M	ST
Anaconda	UT	NWS	1,140	---	95	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	350K	ST
Whiskey Complex	ID	BOF	9,448	2	100	---	568	-165	15	19	2	1	10.6M	FS

### Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	13
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed	1

**Sand**, Amador-El Dorado Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Patterson). Five miles north of Plymouth, CA. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Malt**, Northern California District, BLM. Twenty-six miles east of Fort Bidwell, CA. Juniper, brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Sage-grouse habitat 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
Sand	CA	AEU	3,000	1,700	20	8/4	1,464	792	43	149	6	12	1.3M	ST
Malt	CA	NOD	1,054	0	96	7/27	56	-69	1	5	0	0	450K	BLM
Bully	CA	SHU	12,661	0	100	---	266	-61	9	15	0	20	23.9M	ST

SHU – Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire

### Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed	1

\* **El Portal**, Yosemite NP. IMT 1 (Joseph). One mile east of El Portal, CA. Oak, chaparral and grass. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Communities of El Portal and Foresta threatened. Evacuations, area 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
* El Portal	CA	YNP	500	---	0	UNK	435	---	15	19	4	0	300K	NPS

### Western Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

**Bear Trap**, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF. IMT 2 (Kidd). Forty-five miles east of Warm Springs, NV. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching. Structures threatened.

**Sampson**, Ely District, BLM. Sixty miles northeast of Ely, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. Creeping and smoldering with interior torching. Sage-grouse habitat 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
Bear Trap	NV	HTF	8,490	2,490	N/A	N/A	263	204	6	7	1	2	450K	FS
Sampson	NV	ELD	2,300	0	50	7/29	133	0	4	4	2	0	100K	BLM

### Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 18

New large fires: 1

Uncontained large fires: 1

**Alkali**, Moffat County. Fourteen miles north of Maybell, CO. Brush. Structures threatened. Sage-grouse habitat threatened. No further information received.

\* **Swede**, Shoshone NF. Thirty-two miles southwest of Cody, WY. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with running, crowning 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
Alkali	CO	MFX	20,690	0	90	7/27	7	-67	0	2	0	1	135K	CNTY
* Swede	WY	SHF	800	---	N/A	N/A	2	---	0	0	0	0	15K	FS

### Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 7

New large fires: 1

Uncontained large fires: 0

\* **Whiskey**, El Malpais National Monument. Seventeen miles southwest of Grants, NM. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering with occasional torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Sitgreaves Complex**, Kaibab NF. Previously reported incident. Five miles northwest of Parks, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated group torching. 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
* Whiskey	NM	EMP	500	---	N/A	N/A	21	---	1	3	0	0	50K	NPS
Sitgreaves Complex	AZ	KNF	3,767	---	N/A	N/A	106	---	4	7	1	0	551K	FS

## Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

New fires:	17
New large fires:	1
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
Montgomery	MT	MCD	8,500	5,000	100	---	31	0	0	13	1	0	74K	BLM
Calf	MT	MCD	1,360	0	100	---	39	-26	1	3	0	0	184K	BLM
* Ridgeway	MT	MCD	548	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	30K	BLM

MCD – Miles City Field Office, BLM

## Other Fires

(As of July 25)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	1	502	0	0	2	18
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	2	3,484	4	7	2	116
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	3,986	4	7	4	134

**Predictive Services Discussion:** It will be hot and dry for much of the western U.S. as a ridge of high pressure strengthens. Under the ridge, there will be monsoonal showers and wet thunderstorms over the central Rockies and southwest U.S. Isolated storms may develop in California and the Great Basin where moisture is scarce. Showers and thunderstorms are also expected from the Tennessee Valley northward through New England including most of the northeast U.S.

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



## BUILDING FIRELINE DOWNSHILL WITH FIRE BELOW

*Operational Engagement*

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.

**Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.**

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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	0	10	13	24
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	15	10	25
Northern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	9	4	13
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,318	0	1,318
Southern California	FIREs	0	0	0	1	15	1	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies	FIREs	6	0	0	0	6	5	17
	ACRES	6	0	0	0	5	10	21
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	0	7	0	0	5	4	16
	ACRES	0	52	0	0	1,478	31	1,561
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	8	0	1	1	0	10
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	3	2,500	2,504
Southwest	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	32	0	2,627	2,659
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1	7	0	0	6	4	18
	ACRES	3	13	0	0	28	751	795
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	7	23	0	2	52	38	122
	ACRES	9	66	0	32	2,847	5,929	8,883

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	0	33	0	0	277	16	326
	ACRES	0	26,022	0	0	201,230	5	227,257
Northwest	FIREs	177	172	40	15	555	568	1,527
	ACRES	4,177	179,729	140	1,706	321,365	37,182	544,299
Northern California	FIREs	68	28	4	4	1,945	434	2,483
	ACRES	46	16,098	23	30	31,336	3,292	50,825
Southern California	FIREs	29	51	10	46	1,824	328	2,288
	ACRES	231	1,548	511	188	18,201	8,374	29,053
Northern Rockies	FIREs	461	33	4	4	443	192	1,137
	ACRES	3,220	1,670	227	3	4,664	262	10,046
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	33	300	1	20	423	269	1,046
	ACRES	1,159	56,850	0	179	15,153	12,026	85,367
Western Great Basin	FIREs	6	198	1	16	43	62	326
	ACRES	18	31,402	0	7	76	22,092	53,595
Southwest	FIREs	427	136	11	34	543	620	1,771
	ACRES	98,536	1,428	577	6,584	14,443	63,796	185,364
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	389	262	21	12	508	171	1,363
	ACRES	2,143	9,695	1,188	2,137	48,205	1,379	64,747
Eastern Area	FIREs	408	0	45	22	4,598	294	5,367
	ACRES	602	0	1,492	186	33,349	4,883	40,512
Southern Area	FIREs	378	0	78	26	13,412	466	14,360
	ACRES	110,704	0	4,150	282	240,581	34,672	390,389
TOTAL	FIREs	2,376	1,213	215	199	24,571	3,420	31,994
	ACRES	220,836	324,442	8,308	11,302	928,603	187,963	1,681,454

Ten Year Average Fires	46,055
Ten Year Average Acres	4,020,387

\*\*\* 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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### 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	7	46	6	3	1	162	225
	ACRES	1,166	11,255	2,937	37	1	20,825	36,221
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	114	205
	ACRES	2,553	8,090	9,365	3,253	241	16,120	39,622
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	3	16	7	0	1	49	76
	ACRES	1,600	16,408	1,959	0	75	19,589	39,631
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	21	35	92	18	67	73	306
	ACRES	1,802	2,731	19,531	4,833	2,344	10,256	41,497
Eastern Area	FIREs	53	0	306	50	1,167	167	1,743
	ACRES	58,417	0	46,104	5,550	70,782	63,922	244,775
Southern Area	FIREs	88	0	180	28	7,488	863	8,647
	ACRES	17,721	0	66,834	31,863	338,694	887,280	1,342,392
TOTAL	FIREs	192	149	659	125	8,772	1,691	11,588
	ACRES	83,679	103,265	156,727	46,106	413,290	1,045,518	1,848,585

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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	681	188,859
Yukon Territory	0	0	28	760
Alberta	5	0	921	16,429
Northwest Territory	3	75,625	264	1,028,171
Saskatchewan	2	7,300	242	165,377
Manitoba	2	0	107	1,415
Ontario	18	4	201	4,423
Quebec	6	0	200	38,526
Newfoundland	0	0	72	2,334
New Brunswick	3	1	152	102
Nova Scotia	0	0	143	505
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	48	115,958
Total	39	82,930	3,059	1,562,860

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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