

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Monday, September 15, 2014 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (44 new fires)
New large fires:	6 (*)
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	15
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	7

\*\* 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:	2
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	8
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

\* **King**, Amador-El Dorado Unit, Cal Fire. IMT 1 (Giachino). Eleven miles east of Placerville, CA. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations in effect.

\* **Black**, Mendocino Unit, Cal Fire. Eight miles north of Ukiah, CA. Chaparral. Moderate fire behavior.

**Happy Camp Complex**, Klamath NF. IMT 1 (Opliger). One mile east of Happy Camp, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with group torching, crown runs and long-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

**Dog Bar**, Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit, Cal Fire. Six miles south of Grass Valley, CA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Evacuations have been lifted. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Bald Hill 3**, Hoopa Valley Tribe, BIA. IMT 2 (Minton). One mile northwest of Hoopa, CA. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Gulch**, Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. Eight miles north of Bella Vista, CA. Chaparral. Minimal fire behavior.

**July Complex** (2 fires), Klamath NF. Four miles east of Sawyers Bar, CA. Timber, brush and grass. Moderate fire behavior. Area closure 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
* King	CA	AEU	2,500	---	10	UNK	806	---	28	103	6	0	1M	ST

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* Black	CA	MEU	417	---	50	9/19	499	---	16	50	0	10	375K	ST
Happy Camp Complex	CA	KNF	111,942	1,470	55	9/20	1,681	-183	37	55	15	6	75.5M	FS
Dog Bar	CA	NEU	247	97	55	9/15	480	3	17	56	0	5	150K	ST
Bald Hill 3	CA	HIA	210	-157	75	9/17	414	23	12	16	3	0	650K	BIA
Gulch	CA	SHU	1,300	0	95	9/15	559	-614	17	18	0	4	5.4M	ST
July Complex	CA	KNF	48,217	747	78	10/1	185	0	3	2	4	2	49.7M	FS

### **Northwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 10

New large fires: 3

Uncontained large fires: 5

Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

\* **36 Pit**, Mt. Hood NF. IMT 2 (Rabe). Ten miles southeast of Estacada, OR. Timber. Structures threatened. No further information received.

\* **Onion Mountain**, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Williams). Fifteen miles west of Grants Pass, OR. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with group torching and spotting. Structures threatened.

**Deception Complex**, Willamette NF. IMT 2 (Watts). Two miles west of Oakridge, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated interior torching. Numerous residences threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**790**, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (D. Johnson). Thirty miles northeast of Medford, OR. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. Area closures in effect.

\* **Fork Peak**, Pacific Cascade Region, DNR. Twenty-six miles southwest of Centralia, WA. Timber and logging slash. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting.

**Freezeout Ridge**, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-nine miles east of Joseph, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching and short-range spotting. 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
* 36 Pit	OR	MHF	1,226	---	0	10/11	117	---	4	6	2	0	100K	FS
* Onion Mountain	OR	RSF	1,500	---	0	UNK	181	---	7	0	8	0	200K	FS
Deception Complex	OR	WIF	5,498	212	75	9/25	736	25	14	37	7	0	22.9M	FS
790	OR	RSF	3,036	0	75	9/30	433	-5	12	5	6	0	14.5M	FS
* Fork Peak	WA	PCS	117	---	30	9/18	216	---	13	8	1	0	305K	ST
Freezeout Ridge	WA	WWF	1,198	---	N/A	N/A	5	---	0	0	1	0	80K	FS
Yellow Point	OR	781S	790	0	100	---	313	-121	10	8	2	0	5.1M	ST

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
Trinidad	WA	WFS	211	-1,289	100	---	0	-74	0	0	0	0	130K	ST

781S – Western Lane District, Oregon DOF

WFS – Washington State Fire Marshal's Office

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

New fires: 22

New large fires: 1

Uncontained large fires: 2

Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

\* **Courtney**, Merced-Mariposa Unit, Cal Fire. Three miles east of Oakhurst, CA. Chaparral and grass. Active fire behavior with torching and long-range spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

**Silverado**, Cleveland NF. IMT 2 (Garwood). Two miles east of Silverado, CA. Chaparral. Interior burning. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Meadow**, Yosemite NP. IMT 2 (Cooper). Five miles east of Yosemite Valley, CA. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
* Courtney	CA	MMU	300	---	0	UNK	340	---	11	30	4	0	350K	ST
Silverado	CA	CNF	968	-532	50	UNK	1,428	602	31	105	8	0	4.8M	FS
Meadow	CA	YNP	4,772	-188	N/A	N/A	424	-112	7	0	6	0	4.5M	NPS

**Other Fires**

(As of September 12)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	6	71,333	7	8	7	235
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	7	16,979	1	4	1	66
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	1	4,313	0	1	0	3
RM	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	14	92,625	8	13	8	304

**Predictive Services Discussion:** An upper level ridge of high pressure over the Great Basin and northern Rockies will continue to bring warm and dry weather to much of the western U.S. Look for winds in California and the Pacific Northwest to become onshore with a slight improvement in relative humidity. In contrast, it will remain unseasonably cold over the eastern U.S. under a broad low pressure system aloft. Widely scattered showers and thunderstorms are expected for the Four Corners states. Elsewhere, the upper Midwest and northeast U.S. will see rain, as will the mid-Atlantic through the Gulf Coast region along a frontal system.

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



## ON A HILLSIDE WHERE ROLLING MATERIAL CAN IGNITE FUEL BELOW

*Operational Engagement Category*

When firefighters find themselves in Watchout Situation #13, they must answer the following questions:

- Can you locate/construct a line to prevent material from rolling below? What do you call line that catches rolling material? Describe how you would construct this type of line and what factors you would have to consider (e.g., slope, fuels, etc.)
- Will you get enough warning of rolling material to prevent being hit by it? Who needs to be watching for rolling material? What kinds of warning systems could you establish?
- Can you see where any material that rolls below you goes and what it does? What can happen when material rolls out of the fire and below you out of view? What needs to be done to mitigate this danger?
- Is the area free of large amounts of flashy fuels? Review the Common Denominators of Tragedy Fires.
- Is the area free of chimneys, gullies, and steep slopes? Review the Common Denominators of Tragedy Fires.
- Do you have two escape routes so you can go either way? Talk about where your most likely escape routes and safety zones will be when you are on a hillside where rolling material can ignite fuel below.
- To reduce the risks:
  - Post lookouts.
  - Consider locating line in a defensible position.
  - Talk about steep fires where you have had material rolling out below you and how you dealt with it.

### 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	0	5	4	10
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	12	13
Northern California	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	4,220	4,220
Southern California	FIRES	0	2	0	0	16	4	22
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	13	2	15
Northern Rockies	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	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	4	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
	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	3	0	0	29	12	44
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	18	4,234	4,252

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	0	55	0	0	300	24	379
	ACRES	0	31,560	0	0	201,245	7	232,812
Northwest	FIRES	319	289	54	58	1,040	1,452	3,212
	ACRES	80,913	737,766	152	2,937	278,564	177,892	1,278,224
Northern California	FIRES	95	36	7	11	2,747	741	3,637
	ACRES	88	16,102	35	31	83,377	274,979	374,612
Southern California	FIRES	39	71	13	55	2,305	540	3,023
	ACRES	235	2,988	518	219	20,604	23,848	48,412
Northern Rockies	FIRES	656	77	7	11	889	685	2,325
	ACRES	10,494	2,867	1,168	5	82,226	20,974	117,734
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	39	414	1	28	572	510	1,564
	ACRES	1,159	60,806	0	206	21,034	14,740	97,945
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	303	1	16	51	88	468
	ACRES	168	32,447	0	7	1,098	24,247	57,967
Southwest	FIRES	474	163	11	53	607	814	2,122
	ACRES	99,065	1,870	577	11,031	14,329	81,311	208,183
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	478	344	22	17	679	236	1,776
	ACRES	2,332	10,869	1,181	2,505	48,766	2,181	67,834
Eastern Area	FIRES	408	0	51	22	4,883	320	5,684
	ACRES	602	0	1,815	186	34,064	4,893	41,560
Southern Area	FIRES	403	0	117	26	14,377	502	15,425
	ACRES	111,325	0	9,743	282	248,316	35,138	404,804
TOTAL	FIRES	2,920	1,752	284	297	28,450	5,912	39,615
	ACRES	306,381	897,275	15,189	17,409	1,033,623	660,210	2,930,087

Ten Year Average Fires	58,378
Ten Year Average Acres	6,526,417

\*\*\* 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	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	2,000	0	0	0	0	2,000
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	1	0	0	0	3	4
	ACRES	0	20	0	0	0	100	120
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
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	297	297
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	2	0	0	0	3	5
	ACRES	0	2,020	0	0	0	497	2,517



### 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	47	9	3	15	174	260
	ACRES	2,906	13,255	3,190	37	447	23,199	43,034
Northern California	FIRES	2	3	17	9	0	127	158
	ACRES	56	135	7,330	60	0	5,950	13,531
Southern California	FIRES	2	5	3	6	0	71	87
	ACRES	9	277	191	454	0	2,082	3,013
Northern Rockies	FIRES	13	22	45	4	11	128	223
	ACRES	2,553	8,112	10,950	3,253	241	17,102	42,211
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	3	14	5	7	30	69	128
	ACRES	355	4,062	2,184	56	1,203	20,075	27,935
Western Great Basin	FIRES	0	3	1	0	7	3	14
	ACRES	0	716	300	0	147	216	1,379
Southwest	FIRES	10	16	7	1	1	54	89
	ACRES	2,036	18,298	1,959	17	75	20,805	43,190
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	23	37	92	18	68	77	315
	ACRES	1,919	3,479	19,531	4,833	2,345	12,477	44,584
Eastern Area	FIRES	53	0	381	51	1,180	171	1,836
	ACRES	58,417	0	57,583	5,551	71,398	63,949	256,898
Southern Area	FIRES	88	0	184	28	8,060	875	9,235
	ACRES	17,721	0	77,764	31,863	344,068	889,691	1,361,107
TOTAL	FIRES	206	154	744	127	9,372	1,749	12,352
	ACRES	85,972	107,925	180,982	46,124	419,924	1,055,546	1,896,473

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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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