

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, July 9, 2015 - 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (264 new fires)
New large incidents:	8
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	20
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	13

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

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

Alaska Area (PL 5)

New fires:	1
New large incidents:	7
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

Tanana Area Fires (9 fires), Tanana Zone, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Staats) to IMT 2 (Grant) will occur on 7/11. Started on native corporation land seven miles northeast of Tanana, AK. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with crowning, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Middle Yukon Fires (4 fires), Galena Zone, BLM. IMT 2 (Hutton). Started on native corporation land two miles north of Nulato, AK. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened.

Aggie Creek, Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Rosenthal) to IMT 2 (Nieto) will occur today. Thirty miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with torching and creeping. Structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

Aniak Complex (4 fires), Southwest Area Forestry, DOF. One mile east of Aniak, AK. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

Baker, Tanana Zone, BLM. IMT 2 (Greer). Started on state land four miles southwest of Eureka, AK. Closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching and creeping. Structures threatened.

Rock, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on native corporation land nine miles southeast of Hughes, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Tetlin Hills, Tok Area Forestry, DOF. Eight miles southeast of Tok, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Deep Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on state land three miles south of Lake Minchumina, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, backing and smoldering. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Long Lake, Tok Area Forestry, DOF. Started on BIA land two miles east of Northway, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching and creeping. Structures threatened.

Nenana Ridge, Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Twelve miles east of Four Mile Rd, AK. Light logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping.

* **Kwethluk Airport**, Southwest Area Forestry, DOF. One mile south of Kwethluk, AK. Short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Chitanana River, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Forty miles south of Tanana, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching and backing. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Isahultila, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on native corporation land 10 miles southwest of Hughes, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Blair, Military Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on state land thirty-nine miles southeast of Fairbanks, AK. Closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Lloyd, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on state land 35 miles south of Tanana, AK. Timber and closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching and backing. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Cod Lake 3**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on native corporation land 10 miles southeast of Minto, AK. Timber, closed timber litter and short grass. Active fire behavior with torching, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Browns**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Forty-seven miles west of Lake Minchumina, AK. Closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with backing and creeping. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Rex Complex (2 fires), Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Started on private land seven miles southeast of Clear, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road and trail closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Banddana Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles north of Tanana, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Lonestar**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on state land 23 miles southwest of Lake Minchumina, AK. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Sethkokna 2**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Thirty-four miles west of Lake Minchumina, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with running. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Moose Creek**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on NPS land 41 miles east of Lake Minchumina, AK. Timber, closed timber litter and hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with single tree torching, creeping and smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Mathews**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Started on native corporation land 22 miles northeast of Wiseman, AK. Short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Anaconda Creek, Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Twenty-four miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Tanana Area Fires	AK-TAD	401,885	67,301	0	Comp	NR	234	-44	4	4	2	0	5.9M	TRI
Middle Yukon Fires	AK-GAD	336,837	220,770	0	Comp	NR	132	-90	2	1	6	3	5M	TRI
Aggie Creek	AK-FAS	24,007	0	25	Comp	NR	638	-12	18	7	4	0	6.4M	ST
Aniak Complex	AK-SWS	131,758	0	5	Comp	NR	151	-17	7	0	4	1	4.9M	ST
Baker	AK-TAD	14,513	0	75	Comp	NR	95	-2	4	2	1	0	1.2M	ST
Rock	AK-TAD	48,466	8,466	0	Comp	NR	127	19	7	0	0	0	270K	TRI
Tetlin Hills	AK-TAS	1,878	78	23	Ctn	NR	244	25	10	0	1	0	4M	ST
Deep Creek	AK-TAD	2,742	-258	0	Comp	NR	19	-2	2	0	1	0	97K	ST
Long Lake	AK-TAS	23,000	0	20	Ctn	NR	81	61	3	1	0	0	2.3M	BIA
Anaconda Creek	AK-FAS	1,091	---	95	Ctn	UNK	45	---	1	0	1	0	3.1M	ST
Nenana Ridge	AK-FAS	325	0	60	Ctn	NR	42	-1	2	0	0	0	584K	ST
* Kwethluk Airport	AK-SWS	380	---	50	Ctn	7/09	24	---	0	0	1	0	75K	ST
Chitanana River	AK-FBD	49,539	25,845	0	Comp	NR	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Isahultila	AK-TAD	37,937	10,778	0	Comp	NR	0	-88	0	0	0	0	75K	TRI
Lloyd	AK-TAD	34,614	9,091	0	Comp	NR	46	21	2	0	0	4	67K	ST
Blair	AK-MID	30,082	2,082	95	Comp	NR	11	0	1	0	0	0	130K	ST

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
* Cod Lake 3	AK-TAD	2,969	---	0	Comp	NR	4	---	0	0	0	0	10K	TRI
* Browns	AK-TAD	17,133	---	0	Comp	NR	1	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Rex Complex	AK-FAS	16,389	200	70	Comp	NR	166	-148	5	3	4	8	10.7M	PRI
Bandanna Creek	AK-TAD	8,683	5,844	0	Comp	NR	6	0	0	0	0	0	5K	BLM
* Lonestar	AK-TAD	6,256	---	0	Comp	0	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
* Sethkokna 2	AK-TAD	2,395	---	0	Comp	0	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
* Moose Creek	AK-TAD	791	---	0	Comp	0	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	NPS
* Mathews	AK-TAD	302	---	0	Comp	0	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	TRI

Northwest Area (PL 4)

New fires:	52
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	9
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

231, Northeast Region, DNR. IMT 2 (Ciraulo). Started on private land seven miles south of Springdale, WA. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Newby Lake, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (Rabe). Eleven miles northwest of Loomis, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior. Area and trail closures in effect.

Twenty One Mile Grade, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Leitch). Twenty-one miles south of Republic, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

Horseshoe, Gifford Pinchot NF. IMT 2 (Gales). Fifteen miles northwest of Trout Lake, WA. Timber, closed timber litter and light logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area and trail closures in effect.

Paradise, Olympic NP. NIMO (Hahnenberg). Thirteen miles north of Quinault, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Area and trail closures in effect.

* **Ten Mile Canyon**, Prineville District, BLM. Started on private land 10 miles west of Antelope, OR. Timber, brush and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, running and spotting.

153 West Fork, Malheur NF. Ten miles southeast of Dayville, OR. Heavy logging slash. Minimal fire behavior. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Williams, Northeast Region, DNR. Three miles north of Colville, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

Wolverine, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. Three miles northwest of Lucerne, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Trail closures in effect.

Corner Creek, Ochoco NF. Transfer of command from ODF IMT 1 (Buckman) to IMT 2 (Fillis) occurred yesterday. Eleven miles south of Dayville, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. No new information.

Gilmore Gulch, Washington State Fire Marshal's Office. Six miles northeast of Anatone, WA. Brush and tall grass. No new information.

Bunker Hill Complex, Umpqua NF. Eleven miles north of Diamond Lake, OR. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
231	WA-NES	970	-100	70	Ctn	NR	63	-203	1	2	0	11	1.4M	TRI
Newby Lake	WA-OWF	2,510	1,163	0	Comp	NR	367	117	8	2	11	0	610K	FS
Twenty-One Mile Grade	WA-COA	2,250	0	90	Ctn	7/10	428	1	10	19	4	0	2.9M	BIA
Horseshoe	WA-GPF	250	0	0	Comp	7/12	261	72	7	0	4	0	1.2M	FS
Paradise	WA-OLP	1,570	0	21	Comp	9/30	96	1	0	0	2	0	1.6M	NPS
* Ten Mile Canyon	OR-PRD	3,000	---	0	Ctn	NR	37	---	0	5	0	0	50K	PRI
153 West Fork	OR-MAF	725	575	2	Ctn	NR	134	43	5	2	0	0	365K	FS
Williams	WA-NES	332	0	90	Ctn	NR	277	-16	9	21	2	0	2M	ST
Wolverine	WA-OWF	314	0	0	Ctn	NR	117	0	4	0	1	0	400K	FS
Corner Creek	OR-OCF	27,166	---	40	Ctn	NR	866	---	32	47	7	1	6.4M	FS
Gilmore Gulch	WA-WFS	7,000	---	50	Ctn	NR	0	---	0	0	0	0	500K	ST
Bunker Hill Complex	OR-UPF	388	---	95	Ctn	UNK	67	---	2	3	2	0	4.5M	FS
Ayers Gulch	WA-SES	399	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	50K	ST

SES - Southeast Region, DNR

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires:	14
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Cape Horn, Pend Oreille Field Office, DNR. IMT 2 (Fry). Three miles northeast of Bayview, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, torching and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Blue, Nez Perce - Clearwater NF. IMT 2 (Pearson). Four miles southeast of Dixie, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area and trail closures in effect.

Alex Camp Road, Lewistown Field Office, BLM. Fifty miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering.

Granite, Idaho Panhandle NF. Five miles northwest of Nordman, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Cape Horn	ID-POS	1,155	-225	40	Ctn	NR	322	67	7	18	4	12	2.1M	ST
Blue	ID-NCF	325	0	50	Ctn	NR	304	-6	9	0	3	0	4.3M	FS
Alex Camp Road Fire	MT-LED	5,750	675	75	Ctn	7/09	127	-29	3	15	1	0	915K	BLM
Granite	ID-IPF	120	0	30	Ctn	NR	92	10	3	2	1	0	469K	FS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Lake, San Bernardino NF. Two miles south of Seven Oaks, CA. Timber, light logging slash and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Lake	CA-BDF	31,359	0	98	Ctn	NR	335	-20	7	13	7	4	40K	FS

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	12
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Cow Bone 2, Seminole Tribe, BIA. Five miles southwest of Big Cypress, FL. Tall grass. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Cow Bone 2	FL-SEA	1,440	---	89	Ctn	7/13	---	0	0	2	1	0	70K	BIA
Cinco #1	FL-FLS	4,300	---	100	Ctn	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	1K	ST

FLS - Florida Division of Forestry, DNR

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	40	1,386,309	88	20	32	2,592
NWCC	28	88,505	92	165	37	3,492
ONCC	1	395	2	5	0	74
OSCC	2	31,583	14	20	7	491
NRCC	8	7,844	28	37	11	990
GBCC	14	38,951	4	7	2	142
SWCC	6	53,443	2	6	1	88
RMCC	3	527.2	1	0	1	33
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	16	13,586	1	19	2	133
Total	118	1,621,144.7	232	279	93	8,035

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIREs	1	3	0	1	12	35	52
	ACRES	1	3,000	0	0	16	2	3,019
Northern California Area	FIREs	17	1	0	0	25	49	92
	ACRES	40	29	0	0	86	16	171
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	2	0	0	15	0	17
	ACRES	0	19	0	0	16	0	35
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	5	8	14
	ACRES	2	1	0	0	16	7	26
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	30	0	0	9	12	51
	ACRES	0	80	0	0	40	287	407
Southwest Area	FIREs	1	1	0	0	0	15	17
	ACRES	1	2	0	0	0	188	191
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	2	1	0	0	3	0	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	12	0	12
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	14	0	14
TOTAL FIRES:		22	38	0	1	84	119	264
TOTAL ACRES:		44	3,131	0	0	190	500	3,865

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	229	0	0	395	20	644
	ACRES	0	2,314,455	0	0	922,728	775	3,237,958
Northwest Area	FIRES	88	79	22	33	724	479	1,425
	ACRES	6,264	16,608	161	1,673	3,096	25,689	53,491
Northern California Area	FIRES	102	12	4	17	1,536	409	2,080
	ACRES	117	142	354	1	4,961	2,235	7,810
Southern California Area	FIRES	16	36	11	32	1,842	265	2,202
	ACRES	16	1,906	12	99	13,596	35,364	50,993
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	628	31	2	0	542	226	1,429
	ACRES	4,020	5,576	4,793	0	49,973	4,946	69,308
Great Basin Area	FIRES	20	343	3	17	300	189	872
	ACRES	13	29,689	0	8	6,122	20,475	56,307
Southwest Area	FIRES	343	119	4	20	374	491	1,351
	ACRES	41,235	2,496	4	3,737	16,045	74,228	137,745
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	340	132	12	14	571	106	1,175
	ACRES	13,064	386	544	7,278	62,687	527	84,486
Eastern Area	FIRES	527	0	29	14	5,307	331	6,208
	ACRES	2,181	0	2,102	547	43,835	5,483	54,148
Southern Area	FIRES	284	0	9	11	12,358	237	12,899
	ACRES	35,503	0	999	183	154,320	12,497	203,502
TOTAL FIRES:		2,348	981	96	158	23,949	2,753	30,285
TOTAL ACRES:		102,413	2,371,258	8,969	13,526	1,277,363	182,219	3,955,748

Ten Year Average Fires (2005 – 2014 as of today)	39,209
Ten Year Average Acres (2005 – 2014 as of today)	2,623,599

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Ownership):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	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	1	0	1	0	24	0	26
	ACRES	500	0	442	0	1,128	0	2,070
TOTAL FIRES:		1	0	1	0	24	0	26
TOTAL ACRES:		500	0	442	0	1,128	0	2,070

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Ownership):

Area	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	5	0	0	2	0 7
	ACRES	0	3,965	0	0	988	0 4,953
Northwest Area	FIRES	7	28	3	2	0	147 187
	ACRES	2,457	17,778	51	49	0	23,534 43,869
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	12	11	0	113 136
	ACRES	0	143	5,173	190	0	7,734 13,240
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	3	4	2	0	100 109
	ACRES	0	78	495	83	0	1,860 2,516
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	10	31	28	4	5	118 196
	ACRES	3,651	10,580	12,835	1,590	728	17,735 47,119
Great Basin Area	FIRES	1	24	1	6	31	52 115
	ACRES	24	1,449	1,060	85	1,704	19,925 24,247
Southwest Area	FIRES	14	20	8	7	0	119 168
	ACRES	588	18,879	2,436	4,606	0	71,246 97,755
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	17	34	56	11	47	80 245
	ACRES	2,075	6,299	15,525	1,153	2,132	22,351 49,535
Eastern Area	FIRES	30	0	251	22	1,369	157 1,829
	ACRES	39,398	0	32,877	6,637	65,316	49,704 193,932
Southern Area	FIRES	84	0	137	11	7,722	692 8,646
	ACRES	16,183	0	108,964	14,261	485,624	607,256 1,232,288
TOTAL FIRES:	163	145	500	76	9,176	1,578	11,638
TOTAL ACRES:	64,376	59,171	179,416	28,654	556,492	821,345	1,709,454

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

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	29	4,499	916	220,380
YUKON TERRITORY	0	5,359	178	134,200
ALBERTA	7	50,956	1,296	426,455
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	0	195	383,999
SASKATCHEWAN	8	183,113	592	927,764
MANITOBA	6	87	299	28,906
ONTARIO	0	0	330	32,995
QUEBEC	2	0	295	4,116
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	105	6,269
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	174	205
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	206	467
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	4	2
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	82	483,547
TOTALS	53	244,014	4,672	2,649,304

* 1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion An upper low will slowly move into California, bringing scattered showers and thunderstorms to much of northern California, Oregon, western and central Idaho and southwestern Montana. Locally heavy rain is possible, especially over the northern California mountains. Thunderstorms are likely over the central and southern Rockies. Showers and thunderstorms will form along a stalled front stretching from eastern Colorado to the Ohio Valley and southern New England. Clouds and storms will keep cooler conditions in place over much of the Interior West. Mild weather will spread over the northern half of country east of the Rockies with hot and humid weather in the South. Alaska will have scattered showers over the southern half of the state with warm weather in the Interior and mild conditions in the north and south.

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

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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REFUSING RISK

Operational Engagement Category

Every firefighter has the right and obligation to report safety problems and contribute ideas regarding their safety. Supervisors are expected to give these concerns and ideas serious consideration. When an individual feels an assignment is unsafe, they also have the obligation to identify, to the degree possible, safe alternatives for completing that assignment. Turning down an assignment is one possible outcome of managing risk.

- A turn down is a situation where an individual has determined an assignment cannot be undertaken as given, and they are unable to negotiate an alternative solution.
- A turn down must be based on an assessment of risks and the ability of an individual or organization to control those risks.
- A situation may be a candidate for a turndown if:
 - There is a violation of safe work practices.
 - Environmental conditions make the work unsafe.
 - The forces lack the necessary qualifications or experience.
 - Defective equipment is being used.
- The following steps will be used when turning down an assignment:
 - The individual will directly inform their supervisor that they are turning down the assignment as given. (Document using criteria outlined in the risk management process.)
 - Supervisor will notify the Safety Officer immediately upon being informed. In the absence of a Safety Officer, the appropriate Section Chief or Incident Commander will be notified. This step provides accountability for decisions and initiates communication of safety concerns.
 - If the supervisor requests another resource to perform the assignment, he/she is responsible for informing that resource that the assignment has previously been refused and the reason(s) why.
 - The safety hazard should be documented by the submission of a SAFENET or SAFECOM.
- These actions do not stop an operation from being carried out. This protocol is integral to the effective management of risk as it provides timely identification of hazards to the chain of command, raises risk awareness for both leaders and subordinates, and promotes accountability.

References:

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