

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, July 23, 2015 - 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (160 new fires)
New large incidents:	3
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	10
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

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

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

Eight wildland fire suppression crews and eight fireline management personnel are assigned to support large fires in Alberta, Canada. Two wildland fire suppression crews and twenty-four fireline management personnel are assigned to support large fires in Saskatchewan, Canada. Additionally, several states are supporting Canada through interstate forest fire compacts.

**Alaska Area (PL 3)**

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

**Tanana Area Fires (5 fires)**, Tanana Zone, BLM. IMT 2 (Grant). Started on native corporation land seven miles northeast of Tanana, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with group torching, running and creeping. Numerous structures threatened.

**Rex Complex (2 fires)**, Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Started on private land seven miles southeast of Clear, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Aggie Creek**, Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Thirty miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

**Ruby Area Fires (6 fires)**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Includes previously reported Middle Yukon fire. Twenty-six miles southeast of Ruby, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Increase in acreage due to more accurate mapping. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Aniak Complex (4 fires)**, Southwest Area Forestry, DOF. One mile east of Aniak, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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

**Long Lake**, Tok Area Forestry, DOF. Started on BIA land two miles east of Northway, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with running, torching and backing. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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	488,860	313	4	Comp	NR	357	-23	11	0	2	0	11.5M	TRI
Rex Complex	AK-FAS	16,179	0	86	Comp	NR	284	0	11	2	2	8	14.1M	PRI
Aggie Creek	AK-FAS	31,705	0	55	Comp	NR	164	-2	5	3	1	0	12.1M	ST
Ruby Area Fires	AK-TAD	407,613	12,498	0	Comp	NR	72	-20	1	0	2	0	2.4M	BLM
Aniak Complex	AK-SWS	155,072	0	19	Comp	NR	206	1	7	0	3	0	7.2M	ST
Tetlin Hills	AK-TAS	1,878	0	90	Ctn	UNK	99	-40	2	0	1	0	6.5M	ST
Long Lake	AK-TAS	29,093	3,624	50	Comp	8/1	164	0	7	1	2	0	4.9M	BIA

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires:	5
New large incidents:	3
Uncontained large fires:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

\* **Reynolds**, Glacier NP. IMT 1 (Poncin). Twelve miles southwest of Babb, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

\* **Cabin Gulch**, Helena NF. IMT 2 (Thompson). Sixteen miles east of Townsend, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with group torching and creeping. Structures threatened. Evacuations, 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			
* Reynolds	MT-GNP	4,000	---	0	Comp	NR	48	---	1	5	2	0	500K	NPS
* Cabin Gulch	MT-HNF	1,000	---	15	Ctn	NR	314	---	8	13	4	0	500K	FS
* MM 26	MT-MCD	303	---	100	Ctn	---	38	---	0	12	1	0	100K	PRI

MCD – Miles City Field Office, BLM

## Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	23
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

**PC Complex**, Pacific Cascade Region, DNR. IMT 2 (Leitch). Eight miles northeast of Woodland, WA. Timber and light logging slash. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

**I-90**, Washington State Fire Marshal's Office. Seven miles southwest of George, WA. Tall grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Newby Lake Long Draw**, Northeast Region, DNR. Started on Forest Service land 12 miles northwest of Loomis, WA. Closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Marion**, Willamette NF. Five miles southeast of Marion Forks, OR. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Area and trail closures in effect.

**Blue Creek**, Southeast Region, DNR. IMT 2 (Ciraulo). Started on private land 10 miles east of Walla Walla, WA. No new information.

**Corner Creek**, Ochoco NF. Eleven miles south of Dayville, OR. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
PC Complex	WA-PCS	129	0	60	Ctn	7/24	387	139	13	14	4	0	779K	ST
I-90	WA-WFS	1,450	550	80	Ctn	UNK	125	115	2	24	0	0	200K	ST
Newby Lake Long Draw	WA-NES	5,065	0	95	Comp	12/1	51	-42	1	2	0	0	4.7M	ST
Marion	OR-WIF	121	0	93	Ctn	7/25	138	0	5	0	2	0	439K	FS
Blue Creek	WA-SES	3,800	---	0	Ctn	NR	119	---	1	30	3	8	200K	FS
Corner Creek	OR-OCF	29,660	---	95	Ctn	NR	104	---	2	3	0	1	12.8M	FS

## Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	30
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

**TUU Lightning Complex**, Tulare Unit, Cal Fire. One mile south of Springville, CA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
TUU Lightning Complex	CA-TUU	446	30	20	Ctn	7/25	440	274	25	29	0	0	10K	ST

### Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires:	8
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

**Ft. Sage**, Carson City District, BLM. Eleven miles southeast of Herlong, CA. Short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Ft. Sage	NV-CCD	373	---	80	Ctn	7/23	10	-74	0	2	0	0	104K	BLM

### Southern Area (PL 2)

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

**Pool**, Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge, FWS. Five miles east of Titusville, FL. Southern rough and tall grass. Active fire behavior with running and flanking. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Pool	FL-MIR	2,500	2,000	90	Ctn	NR	18	6	0	4	0	0	15K	FWS
Chevron	MS-MSS	1,306	0	100	Ctn	---	5	0	0	0	0	0	4K	PRI

MSS – Mississippi Forestry Commission

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	47	2,249,554	64	7	19	1,799
NWCC	16	54,166	42	125	21	1,748
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSCC	5	37,588	37	36	3	917
NRCC	10	12,083	19	49	9	750
GBCC	9	19,237	4	9	3	188
SWCC	8	48,486	3	5	0	105
RMCC	5	107	2	3	0	63
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	13	22,381	0	8	2	53
<b>Total</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>2,443,602</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>5,623</b>

**Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):**

Area	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL	
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	2	0	3
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Northwest Area	FIREs	1	4	0	0	6	12	23
	ACRES	10	110	0	0	0	1	121
Northern California Area	FIREs	1	1	0	0	25	32	59
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	15	21	36
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	15	15	30
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	745	0	745
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	2	3	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	1,700	153	3	1,856
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	6	0	0	1	1	8
	ACRES	0	113	0	0	0	0	113
Southwest Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	2	0	3
	ACRES	25	0	0	0	0	0	25
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	4	4	0	0	1	1	10
	ACRES	5	8	8	0	152	54	227
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	21	0	21
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	18	0	18
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	62	0	62
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>160</b>	
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>3,207</b>	

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

Area	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	252	0	0	428	22 702
	ACRES	0	3,680,679	0	0	1,076,863	775 4,758,317
Northwest Area	FIREs	102	121	22	44	921	744 1,954
	ACRES	7,239	21,769	161	1,897	4,443	30,337 65,846
Northern California Area	FIREs	112	20	5	19	1,805	586 2,547
	ACRES	121	143	354	1	5,524	2,463 8,606
Southern California Area	FIREs	19	40	11	33	2,093	340 2,536
	ACRES	29	1,907	12	99	20,364	35,676 58,087
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	756	45	2	7	655	397 1,862
	ACRES	5,160	8,701	564	2,005	64,105	6,676 87,211
Great Basin Area	FIREs	28	456	4	25	354	264 1,131
	ACRES	15	31,478	0	60	6,430	20,616 58,599
Southwest Area	FIREs	412	151	4	25	400	579 1,571
	ACRES	41,391	2,546	4	3,737	16,299	81,808 145,785
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	381	175	11	15	594	110 1,286
	ACRES	13,439	522	178	7,408	62,919	806 85,272
Eastern Area	FIREs	527	0	29	14	5,382	337 6,289
	ACRES	2,181	0	2,102	547	43,925	5,489 54,244
Southern Area	FIREs	287	0	12	13	13,370	243 13,925
	ACRES	35,766	0	2,095	188	158,264	13,086 209,399
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>	<b>2,624</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>26,002</b>	<b>3,622</b>	<b>33,803</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>	<b>105,341</b>	<b>3,747,745</b>	<b>5,470</b>	<b>15,942</b>	<b>1,459,136</b>	<b>197,732</b>	<b>5,531,366</b>

Ten Year Average Fires (2005 – 2014 as of today)	43,639
Ten Year Average Acres (2005 – 2014 as of today)	3,524,550

**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
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	200	200
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	1	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	9	0	0	9
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	17	18
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	513	868
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>1,068</b>	<b>1,590</b>

**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	50 113
	ACRES	24	1,447	1,060	85	1,713	17,314 21,643
Southwest Area	FIREs	41	29	8	7	0	141 226
	ACRES	615	18,888	2,436	4,606	0	72,822 99,367
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	18	34	57	11	48	80 248
	ACRES	2,080	6,299	15,899	1,153	2,134	22,351 49,916
Eastern Area	FIREs	30	0	260	22	1,371	155 1,838
	ACRES	39,398	0	32,930	6,637	65,420	49,486 193,871
Southern Area	FIREs	86	0	142	11	7,973	697 8,909
	ACRES	16,333	0	114,309	14,261	503,531	610,663 1,259,097
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>9,430</b>	<b>1,601</b>	<b>11,969</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>	<b>64,558</b>	<b>59,178</b>	<b>185,188</b>	<b>28,654</b>	<b>574,514</b>	<b>823,499</b>	<b>1,735,591</b>

\*\*\* 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	35	649	1,291	295,296
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	181	176,700
ALBERTA	90	0	1,556	490,394
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	63,048	205	597,273
SASKATCHEWAN	6	118,341	652	1,703,553
MANITOBA	2	1	392	42,408
ONTARIO	6	470	405	37,014
QUEBEC	0	0	309	4,975
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	111	6,274
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	188	251
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	220	506
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	4	2
NATIONAL PARKS	0	18,899	89	524,470
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>201,409</b>	<b>5,603</b>	<b>3,879,115</b>

\* 1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Southwest flow aloft stretches from southern California through the southern Great Basin into the western slopes of the Rocky Mountains, sandwiched between a trough of low pressure in the northwest U.S. and an upper level ridge over the southern Plains. This will bring drier conditions to the southwest, with showers and thunderstorms in the northern Great Basin, northern Rockies, and southern Rockies. The Tennessee Valley to the mid-Atlantic will also see thunderstorms today associated with an upper level trough and surface front. In Alaska, there is a chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms in the south central region as a trough of low pressure moves east.

<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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## MANAGING VEHICLE TRAFFIC IN SMOKE

*Vehicles/Roads Category*

Smoke has the potential to cause safety hazards to vehicle traffic in the vicinity of active fires (both wildfires and prescribed), especially at night. The following traffic-related items should be considered and addressed in local unit planning documents prior to an incident/project.

- Identification, location, and phone numbers of local units that have law enforcement and traffic control responsibilities in the smoke-impacted areas. Review any local agreements with these agencies presently in place.
- Identification of important, public roads that may be impacted by smoke.
- Identification of adequate equipment and trained personnel to control traffic. This may include warning signs, communications equipment (preferably not using the active fire frequency) and vehicles equipped with warning or flashing lights.
- Identification and phone numbers of radio and television stations that can issue traffic advisories for the smoke-impacted area.
- Identification of alternative traffic routes as part of the incident/project traffic plan.
- Identification of traffic routes subject to temperature inversions as well as contributory factors such as fog and ice.
- When potential smoke-related problems are identified:
  - Advise the Incident Commander, Burn Boss, or Agency Administrator that severe smoke exists.
  - Notify local law enforcement units and highway departments of a potential problem.
  - Implement preplanned actions such as posting smoke warning signs.
  - Ensure that proper equipment is ready and appropriate personnel are briefed on contingency plans and are available to control traffic.

**References:** Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations and IRPG

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