

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Saturday, July 25, 2015 - 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (124 new fires)
New large incidents:	4
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	10
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

** 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.

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	7
New large incidents:	4
Uncontained large fires:	6
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

* **Rye**, Wallowa Unit, DOF. Started on private land four miles northeast of Paradise, OR. Brush and tall grass. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

Blue Creek, Southeast Region, DNR. IMT 2 (Ciraulo). Started on private land 10 miles east of Walla Walla, WA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

* **Hatch Grade**, Washington State Fire Marshal's Office. Fifteen miles north of Helix, OR. Short grass. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs.

* **0451 RN**, Prineville District, BLM. Nine miles southeast of Dufur, OR. Brush, tall grass and short grass. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs.

* **North Boulder 2**, Colville NF. IMT 2 (Rabe). Twenty-seven miles northwest of Colville, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior.

Corner Creek, Ochoco NF. Eleven miles south of Dayville, OR. 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			
* Rye	OR-974S	763	---	20	Ctn	7/28	0	---	0	0	0	0	410K	PRI

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Blue Creek	WA-SES	6,225	85	25	Ctn	NR	1,001	154	23	84	11	12	3.4M	PRI
* Hatch Grade	WA-WFS	600	---	0	Ctn	NR	45	---	0	15	0	0	5K	ST
* 0451 RN	OR-PRD	400	---	0	Ctn	NR	31	---	0	6	2	0	20K	BLM
* North Boulder 2	WA-COF	158	---	0	Ctn	NR	147	---	6	0	0	0	600K	FS
Corner Creek	OR-OCF	29,660	---	95	Ctn	NR	36	---	1	2	0	1	12.8M	FS
PC Complex	WA-PCS	129	0	100	Ctn	---	179	-179	3	9	1	0	1.6M	ST
Marion	OR-WIF	70	-51	100	Ctn	---	98	0	3	0	2	0	763K	FS

WIF – Willamette NF PCS – Pacific Cascade Region, DNR

Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires: 6
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.

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

Aniak Complex (4 fires), Southwest Area Forestry, DOF. One mile east of Aniak, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

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

Rock, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on native corporation land nine miles southeast of Hughes, AK. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Stink River, DOF. Previously reported incident. Three miles northeast of Tishimna Lake, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. 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	489,289	115	4	Comp	NR	322	-26	10	0	2	0	12M	TRI
Aggie Creek	AK-FAS	31,705	0	55	Comp	NR	165	2	5	3	1	0	12.6M	ST
Aniak Complex	AK-SWS	155,072	0	82	Comp	NR	178	-13	6	0	3	0	7.7M	ST

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Tetlin Hills	AK-TAS	1,878	0	95	Ctn	7/26	71	5	2	0	1	0	6.7M	ST
Rock	AK-TAD	84,629	7,229	75	Comp	NR	42	0	2	0	0	0	725K	TRI
Stink River	AK-SWS	2,468	1,468	0	Comp	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0	2K	ST

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

New fires: 27
New large incidents: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2
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 with group torching and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

Cabin Gulch, Helena NF. IMT 2 (Thompson). Sixteen miles east of Townsend, MT. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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	10	Ctn	NR	454	148	8	27	8	0	1.7M	NPS
Cabin Gulch	MT-HNF	1,616	-884	61	Ctn	NR	353	-1	10	10	7	0	1.3M	FS
Dean S	MT-MCD	249	50	100	Ctn	---	37	-40	0	13	0	0	350K	PRI

MCD – Miles City Field Office, BLM

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 26
New large incidents: 0
Uncontained large fires: 2
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

Wragg, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Estes). Four miles west of Winters, CA. Chaparral, brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, backing and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Kyburz, Eldorado NF. Three miles east of White Horse, CA. Timber. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened. Evacuations and 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			
Wragg	CA-LNU	6,900	0	30	Ctn	7/28	1,936	564	39	164	13	1	5.2M	ST
Kyburz	CA-ENF	200	100	30	Ctn	7/30	667	252	13	55	3	0	550K	FS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 11
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Cutca**, Cleveland NF. IMT 2 (Wakoski). Four miles south of Aguana, CA. Chaparral, brush and short grass. Extreme fire behavior with spotting and uphill runs. Numerous structures threatened.

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

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
* Cutca	CA-CNF	60	---	0	Ctn	NR	295	---	7	10	6	0	250K	FS
TUU Lightning Complex	CA-TUU	446	0	95	Ctn	7/25	299	-259	10	13	0	0	NR	ST

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	49	1,959,800	45	6	15	1,377
NWCC	19	56,876	67	176	28	2,629
ONCC	2	7,100	52	219	16	2,603
OSCC	6	37,648	29	42	9	1,071
NRCC	8	7,743	26	68	18	1,167
GBCC	10	18,990	0	8	2	84
SWCC	2	3,116	0	0	0	7
RMCC	5	124	2	4	0	66
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	10	8,829	0	7	2	42
Total	111	2,100,228	221	530	90	9,046

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	5	0	0	1	0	6
	ACRES	0	108	0	0	0	0	108
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	6	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	13	13
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	1	19	6	26
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5,498	216	5,714
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	10	1	11
	ACRES	0	0	0	6	2	0	8
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	2	1	0	0	11	13	27
	ACRES	0	25	0	0	0	23	48
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	5	0	0	4	1	10
	ACRES	0	31	0	0	4	0	35
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	16	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1,264	1,264
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	4	0	5
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	8	0	9
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	9	0	9
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	4	3	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	8	231	239
TOTAL FIRES:		2	12	0	1	63	46	124
TOTAL ACRES:		0	165	0	6	5,522	1,747	7,440

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	255	0	0	434	22	711
	ACRES	0	3,688,167	0	0	1,079,821	775	4,768,763
Northwest Area	FIRES	102	151	29	44	972	796	2,094
	ACRES	7,239	35,388	14,577	1,897	4,515	37,237	100,853
Northern California Area	FIRES	113	20	5	20	1,857	596	2,611
	ACRES	121	143	354	1	11,810	2,671	15,100
Southern California Area	FIRES	19	40	11	33	2,118	342	2,563
	ACRES	29	1,907	12	105	20,381	35,676	58,110
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	760	47	2	7	726	419	1,961
	ACRES	5,170	8,736	564	2,005	66,990	9,396	92,861
Great Basin Area	FIRES	28	465	4	25	366	270	1,158
	ACRES	15	31,513	0	60	6,435	20,617	58,640
Southwest Area	FIRES	415	153	5	25	407	597	1,602
	ACRES	51,417	2,546	4	3,737	16,304	83,075	157,083
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	386	180	11	15	600	112	1,304
	ACRES	13,442	550	178	7,408	62,931	822	85,331
Eastern Area	FIRES	527	0	29	14	5,391	337	6,298
	ACRES	2,181	0	2,102	547	43,927	5,489	54,246
Southern Area	FIRES	287	0	12	13	13,380	246	13,938
	ACRES	35,766	0	2,095	188	158,330	13,337	209,716
TOTAL FIRES:		2,637	1,311	108	196	26,251	3,737	34,240
TOTAL ACRES:		115,380	3,768,950	19,886	15,948	1,471,444	209,095	5,600,703

Ten Year Average Fires (2005 – 2014 as of today)	44,182
Ten Year Average Acres (2005 – 2014 as of today)	3,842,983

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	0	0	0	0	17	0	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	407	0	407
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	0	0	17	0	17
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	0	0	407	0	407

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	143	228
	ACRES	615	18,888	2,436	4,606	0	72,837	99,382
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	19	34	57	11	48	80	249
	ACRES	2,085	6,299	15,899	1,153	2,134	22,351	49,921
Eastern Area	FIRES	30	0	261	22	1,371	157	1,841
	ACRES	39,398	0	32,934	6,637	65,420	49,517	193,906
Southern Area	FIRES	86	0	142	11	8,006	698	8,943
	ACRES	16,333	0	114,309	14,261	504,117	611,363	1,260,383
TOTAL FIRES:		194	154	516	76	9,463	1,606	12,009
TOTAL ACRES:		64,563	59,178	185,192	28,654	575,100	824,245	1,736,932

*** 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	6	584	1,318	296,016
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	181	176,700
ALBERTA	2	0	1,475	479,469
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	205	599,039
SASKATCHEWAN	2	161,341	655	1,693,956
MANITOBA	3	112	399	42,536
ONTARIO	5	0	410	36,996
QUEBEC	0	0	309	4,975
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	111	6,274
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	190	251
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	220	506
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	4	2
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	89	524,469
TOTALS	18	162,038	5,566	3,861,188

* 1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: An upper level trough of low pressure in the Pacific Northwest will bring a weak cold front into the region with a chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms, mainly west of the Cascade Mountains. Warming and drying will develop for portions of the southwest U.S. including California and the southern half of the Great Basin. It will also be relatively warm and dry on the western side of the Rocky Mountains. East of the Continental Divide, there will be showers and thunderstorms on the Plains as well as the Gulf Coastal region, including Florida, where a frontal boundary will be the focus for heavy precipitation. Alaska will see seasonal temperatures with a chance of showers and thunderstorms.

<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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Hazard Trees – Situational Awareness

Felling Safety Category

Snags (dead, standing trees without leaves or needles in the crowns) and green hazard trees present a significant threat to wildland firefighter safety. Snags typically have much lower fuel moistures than live, green trees; and they burn more readily. In the process, they often throw off embers creating spot fires in advance of the main fire. Snags may burn through more quickly than green trees and can fall without warning. Live, green trees weakened by insects, disease, weather, fire, and age presents another hazard and they can also fall without notice.

- The risk of serious injuries from hazard trees may increase during the night operational period when visibility is reduced.
- While work in cooler, nighttime environments can help control efforts, it also presents an increased risk from unseen falling snags and weakened live trees. Night operations should be restricted in areas of high risk rated dead and dying trees.
- Environmental conditions that increase risk from hazard trees: Strong or gusty winds from storm cells. Air operations - water or retardant drops, rotor wash from helicopters. Steep slopes with rolling material. Erosion and undercut root systems. Diseased or bug-killed areas (Mountain Pine Beetle).
- Things to consider when assessing the potential dangers of hazard trees: Trees have been burning for an extended period. High-risk tree species (those that are known for rot and shallow root systems) in the area. Numerous downed trees/material. Broken tops and dead limbs overhead. Accumulation of downed limbs, tree decay, cavities, splits, cracks, lack of needles, bark, limbs or other indicators of overhead hazards. Roots damaged by equipment, fire or erosion create hazards.
- Mitigation measures to take: Identify and establish No-Work-Zones (NWZ) in all high-risk areas until the hazard has been mitigated. Instruct firefighters of established NWZ in briefings. Identify with flagging/signs, and show area on maps. Establish lookouts to protect NWZs. Assign only qualified sawyers and Falling Bosses. Order additional professional fallers in advance. Use heavy equipment, and blasters when appropriate. Plan a quick and safe escape routes. Do not turn your back on a falling tree or known hazard. Use lookouts to maintain secure felling areas. Maintain situational awareness.

References:

[Hazard Tree Safety Web Page](#)

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