

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, July 29, 2015 - 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (107 new fires)
New large incidents:	4
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	14
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

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

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

Five wildland fire suppression crews and an IARR are assigned to support large fires in Alberta, Canada. Additionally, several states are supporting Canada through interstate forest fire compacts.

**Northern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires:	25
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2

**Lowell**, Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit, Cal Fire. IMT 1 (Gouvea). Two miles west of Gold Run, CA. Timber, light logging slash and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, single tree torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Wragg**, Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Estes). Four miles west of Winters, CA. Chaparral, brush and short grass. Extreme fire behavior with running, uphill runs and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

**Queen**, Humboldt-Del Norte Unit, Cal Fire. Twelve miles northwest of Weitchpec, CA. Heavy logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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			
Lowell	CA-NEU	2,303	603	40	Ctn	8/01	2,449	1,025	58	214	16	1	8.5M	ST
Wragg	CA-LNU	6,991	400	80	Ctn	8/03	1,158	-8	24	75	6	2	12.4M	ST
Queen	CA-HUU	158	-42	42	Ctn	NR	782	-140	26	50	2	0	2.2M	ST

**Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 9  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Cutca**, Cleveland NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Wakoski) back to the local unit will occur today. Four miles south of Aguana, CA. Chaparral. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

**Willow**, Sierra NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). Two miles west of Wishon, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, group torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road 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			
Cutca	CA-CNF	167	0	75	Ctn	7/31	260	-125	5	5	2	0	2.3M	FS
Willow	CA-SNF	1739	218	30	Ctn	8/01	1487	272	32	120	8	0	4.7M	FS

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 17  
 New large incidents: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 5  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Muddy Creek Two**, Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Leach). Five miles southwest of Lame Deer, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Reynolds**, Glacier NP. IMT 1 (Poncin). Twelve miles southwest of Babb, MT. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching, creeping and smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

\* **Coal Creek**, Miles City Field Office, BLM. Started on private land 22 miles west of Ismay, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with running and creeping.

**Pine Ridge**, Crow Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Crow Agency, MT. Brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

**5 mile**, Yellowstone County. Five miles northwest of Custer, MT. Short grass. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering. Structures and 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			
Muddy Creek 2	MT-NCA	2,978	1,531	35	Ctn	NR	216	176	6	7	2	0	550K	BIA
Reynolds	MT-GNP	3,170	0	56	Ctn	NR	670	-21	16	16	7	2	5.1M	NPS
* Coal Creek	MT-MCD	640	---	0	Ctn	NR	22	---	0	7	0	0	10K	PRI
Pine Ridge	MT-CRA	1,700	0	90	Ctn	UNK	7	-6	0	2	0	0	55K	BIA

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
5 mile	MT-LG03	627	327	70	Ctn	UNK	49	19	0	12	1	0	15K	C&L

### **Northwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 14  
New large incidents: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 3  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Blue Creek**, Southeast Region, DNR. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Ciraulo) back to the local unit will occur on 7/31. Started on private land 10 miles east of Walla Walla, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**North Boulder 2**, Colville NF. IMT 2 (Rabe). Twenty-seven miles northwest of Colville, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with torching, flanking and creeping.

\* **Cable Crossing**, Central Unit, ODF. Six miles east of Glide, OR. Timber, heavy logging slash and brush. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, short-range spotting and uphill runs. Road closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Blue Creek	WA-SES	6,004	0	73	Ctn	NR	802	-77	19	60	4	12	8M	PRI
North Boulder 2	WA-COF	192	17	25	Ctn	NR	378	-7	11	0	2	0	1.5M	FS
* Cable Crossing	OR-733S	140	---	4	Ctn	7/29	224	---	7	7	6	0	185K	ST
Rye	OR-974S	763	0	100	Ctn	---	21	-4	1	0	0	0	623K	PRI
Oak Canyon	OR-PRD	930	0	100	Ctn	---	77	-36	3	5	0	0	80K	PRI

974S – Northeast Oregon District, ODF PRD – Prineville District, BLM

### **Alaska Area (PL 2)**

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

**Tanana Area Fires (5 fires)**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Grant) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Started on native corporation land seven miles northeast of Tanana, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

**Aggie Creek**, Fairbanks Area Forestry, DOF. Thirty miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Aniak Complex (3 fires)**, Southwest Area Forestry, DOF. One mile east of Aniak, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Long Lake**, Tok Area Forestry, DOF. Previously reported incident. Started on BIA land two miles east of Northway, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Rainbow**, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on FWS land 73 miles northeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Suter Creek**, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Thirty miles northwest of Eagle, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Halfway**, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Thirty one miles southeast of Fort Yukon, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. 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	496,131	4,765	92	Comp	NR	239	-17	7	0	2	0	13.3M	TRI
Aggie Creek	AK-FAS	31,705	0	55	Comp	NR	159	-21	5	3	1	0	13M	ST
Aniak Complex	AK-SWS	155,072	0	85	Comp	NR	71	-3	1	0	2	0	8.4M	ST
Long Lake	AK-TAS	34,021	4,022	60	Comp	8/15	117	40	5	0	0	0	5.6M	BIA
Rainbow	AK-UYD	14,664	1,090	0	Comp	NR	1	0	0	0	0	0	7K	FWS
* Suter Creek	AK-UYD	218	---	0	Comp	NR	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
* Halfway	AK-UYD	209	---	0	Comp	NR	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	BLM

### **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

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

**Bitter Creek**, High Desert District, BLM. Twenty miles southeast of Green River, WY. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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			
Bitter Creek	WY-HDD	2,487	121	50	Ctn	8/02	101	0	2	13	2	1	400K	BLM

### **Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 5  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

**Springs**, Kaibab NF. Previously reported incident. Ten miles south of Williams, AZ. Timber and light logging slash. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. 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			
Springs	AZ-KNF	2,300	1,685	0	Comp	8/30	51	32	3	2	0	0	85K	FS

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	42	1,997,815	28	5	10	880
NWCC	15	24,359	54	104	16	2,045
ONCC	4	9,527	110	345	24	4,469
OSCC	3	2,352	37	125	10	1,747
NRCC	17	13,780	33	85	15	1,479
GBCC	12	19,668	6	12	3	260
SWCC	3	3,397	3	2	0	51
RMCC	5	2,576	2	15	2	117
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	5	4,616	0	6	0	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>2,078,093</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>11,070</b>

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
	ACRES	0	10	0	0	0	0	10
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	13	0	14
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	21	4	25
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	277	320	597
Southern California Area	FIRES	1	1	0	0	6	1	9
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	3	2	6
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	4	2	0	0	8	3	17
	ACRES	455	7	0	71	1,004	29	1,566
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	3	0	1	3	2	9
	ACRES	0	181	0	0	0	1	182
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	4	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	4	0	0	3	1	8
	ACRES	0	181	0	0	10	0	191
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	6	1	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	0	4	6	11
	ACRES	0	0	125	0	211	502	838
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>107</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>456</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1,515</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>3,400</b>

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	258	0	0	441	22	721
	ACRES	0	3,654,017	0	0	1,080,595	775	4,735,387
Northwest Area	FIRES	105	157	31	44	1,047	837	2,221
	ACRES	7,267	36,320	14,584	1,897	6,682	37,434	104,184
Northern California Area	FIRES	113	20	5	21	1,958	615	2,732
	ACRES	121	143	354	1	15,777	2,998	19,394
Southern California Area	FIRES	20	41	11	33	2,161	350	2,616
	ACRES	30	1,907	12	111	20,452	35,678	58,190
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	765	53	2	8	755	450	2,033
	ACRES	7,575	9,328	564	3,242	70,741	8,673	100,123
Great Basin Area	FIRES	28	484	4	26	389	286	1,217
	ACRES	15	32,292	0	60	6,453	20,676	59,496
Southwest Area	FIRES	407	159	5	25	413	607	1,616
	ACRES	51,905	2,554	4	3,737	16,319	83,111	157,630
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	422	190	11	16	610	119	1,368
	ACRES	13,495	3,349	178	7,408	62,947	823	88,200
Eastern Area	FIRES	527	0	29	14	5,424	343	6,337
	ACRES	2,181	0	2,102	547	43,984	5,490	54,304
Southern Area	FIRES	287	0	16	13	14,169	265	14,750
	ACRES	35,766	0	2,233	188	188,290	13,919	240,396
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>2,674</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>27,367</b>	<b>3,894</b>	<b>35,611</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>118,355</b>	<b>3,739,910</b>	<b>20,031</b>	<b>17,191</b>	<b>1,512,240</b>	<b>209,577</b>	<b>5,617,304</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2005 – 2014 as of today)</b>	<b>45,197</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2005 – 2014 as of today)</b>	<b>3,763,080</b>

**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	1	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	13	263	276
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	217	0	0	0	217
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	1	0	1	1	3
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	217	0	13	263	493

**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	144	229
	ACRES	615	18,888	2,436	4,606	0	72,839	99,384
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	1,373	158	1,844
	ACRES	39,398	0	32,934	6,637	65,482	49,780	194,231
Southern Area	FIRES	86	0	143	11	8,045	699	8,984
	ACRES	16,333	0	114,526	14,261	507,113	613,582	1,265,815
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>194</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>9,504</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>12,054</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>64,563</b>	<b>59,178</b>	<b>185,409</b>	<b>28,654</b>	<b>578,158</b>	<b>826,729</b>	<b>1,742,691</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	1	0	1,340	297,628
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	182	176,700
ALBERTA	19	0	1,500	486,708
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	5,234	208	604,305
SASKATCHEWAN	4	174,088	664	1,755,978
MANITOBA	25	818	435	43,465
ONTARIO	12	126	428	37,163
QUEBEC	2	0	313	4,975
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	112	6,274
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	191	252
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	220	506
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	4	2
NATIONAL PARKS	1	0	90	509,544
TOTALS	67	180,266	5,687	3,923,499

\* 1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A significant warming and drying trend will begin today over the western U.S. as an upper level ridge of high pressure stretches from the southern Plains westward into the Great Basin. This will bring the onset of record warmth to portions of California and Oregon. Also, high-based monsoonal moisture will begin to stream northward on the periphery of this feature for a chance of thunderstorms in southern California and the southern Great Basin. These storms will not have wetting rain, but could be accompanied by gusty outflow winds. Storms in the southwest U.S. will be much wetter and extend from Arizona through New Mexico and into southern Colorado. Over the eastern U.S. the Gulf Coast including Florida will see a continuation of showers and thunderstorms along a stationary front.

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

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**\*\* National Interagency Coordination Center \*\***



## INITIAL ATTACK FIRE SIZEUP/SAFETY

*Operational Engagement Category*

Having a good sizeup is important in order to give both the Incident Commander (IC) and fire management a good idea of what problems exist and what resources may be needed for effective firefighting.

- Use the following reporting factors for size-up and reference local fire size-up cards. Discuss others that may be used.

- Fire name and location
- Terrain (slope, aspect, elevation) and position of fire on the slope
- Size of fire
- Fuel type, anticipated control problems, and spread potential
- Values threatened
- Weather conditions (wind speed and direction)
- Fire behavior
- Resources on the fire and those needed
- Estimated containment and control times
- Cause (known, suspected, under investigation)

- After your initial size-up of the fire and/or transition from an initial attack IC, answer the following questions. Repeat this analysis whenever there is a change, or predicted change, in conditions on the fire.

- Have you sized up the fire and relayed the information to dispatch?
- Is the observed fire weather consistent with the forecast?
- Can you control the fire with the resources available (on the incident or soon to be on the incident) and under the expected conditions?
- Have you developed a plan to attack the fire (direct or indirect, anchor points, escape routes, head or flank attack, priority areas); and have you communicated this information to all personnel assigned to the incident, including new arrivals?
- Are lookouts in place or can you see all of the fire area?
- Can you communicate with everyone on the fire and with dispatch?
- Are escape routes and safety zones established? If you are using the black, is it completely burned and without a reburn potential?
- Are safety and the standard fire orders being followed and/or mitigated?
- Do you have a complete list of what resources have been ordered for the fire?
- Will you control the fire before the next operational period; and if you won't, or the size of the organization exceeds the IC's capability to manage, have you informed the agency Fire Management Officer?

### References:

Incident Response Pocket Guide, inside front cover.

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