

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Saturday, September 12, 2015 - 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 4**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (51 new fires)
New large incidents:	0
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires: **	37
Area Command Teams committed:	1
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	12

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

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

Two hundred soldiers from the 17<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Brigade based out of Fort Lewis, Washington are deployed in Washington state.

Two MAFFS C-130 Airtankers are assigned to Channel Islands, California in support of wildland fire operations.

Sixty-eight fireline management personnel from Australia and New Zealand are assigned to support large fires in the Northwest Area.

**Northwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	6
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	17
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	7

**Okanogan Complex (2 fires)**, Northeast Region, DNR. IMT 2 (Lietch). Eleven miles northwest of Omak, WA. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**North Star**, Colville Agency, BIA. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Minton) to IMT 1 (McGowen) will occur today. IMT is also managing the Tunk Block fire. Twenty-four miles east of Omak, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Tunk Block**, Northeast Region, DNR. Ten miles northeast of Omak, WA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Canyon Creek Complex**, Malheur NF. IMT 2 (Goff). Two miles south of John Day, OR. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Chelan Complex (3 fires)**, Southeast Region, DNR. IMT 2 (Allbee). Started on BLM land one mile south of Chelan, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching, backing and creeping. Road and trail closures in effect.

**Kettle Complex (3 fires)**, Colville NF. IMT 2 (Ciraulo). Fifteen miles northeast of Republic, WA. Timber and light logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with torching, backing and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Kaniksu Complex (3 fires)**, Colville NF. IMT 2 (Tom Kurth). Ten miles northeast of Usk, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Carpenter Rd**, Spokane Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Johnson). Five miles south of Fruitland, WA. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Wolverine**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (Rabe). IMT is also managing the First Creek fire. Three miles northwest of Lucerne, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**First Creek**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. Eight miles northwest of Chelan, WA. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

**Cougar Creek**, Yakama Agency, BIA. Six miles northwest of Glenwood, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**National Creek Complex**, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. Eleven miles southwest of Diamond Lake, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with group torching. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Oven**, Prineville District, BLM. Three miles east of Maupin, OR. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

**Alder Lake**, Gifford Pinchot NF. Seven miles south of Eatonville, WA. Closed timber litter. No new information. 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			
Okanogan Complex	WA-NES	132,682	48	85	Ctn	9/30	982	0	19	41	5	152	38M	ST
North Star	WA-COA	211,356	0	45	Ctn	10/15	1,414	97	36	73	6	1	24.9M	BIA
Tunk Block	WA-NES	162,693	0	75	Ctn	9/30	571	0	17	38	4	0	5.4M	ST
Canyon Creek Complex	OR-MAF	110,422	16	88	Ctn	9/20	440	22	11	7	4	53	28.3M	FS
Chelan Complex	WA-SES	88,873	368	80	Ctn	10/01	384	-3	7	28	0	47	1K	BLM
Kettle Complex	WA-COF	76,621	0	60	Ctn	10/15	974	3	26	39	3	1	24.6M	FS
Kaniksu Complex	WA-COF	26,198	50	79	Comp	10/01	673	-12	17	15	5	0	20.8M	FS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Carpenter Rd.	WA-SPA	63,972	-1,096	90	Ctn	9/12	514	-60	14	27	1	42	20.5M	BIA
Wolverine	WA-OWF	65,355	0	35	Comp	10/15	543	97	5	14	5	4	26.3M	FS
First Creek	WA-OWF	7,490	0	98	Ctn	9/15	95	8	3	6	0	19	4.6M	FS
Cougar Creek	WA-YAA	53,534	0	97	Ctn	9/21	369	4	12	11	1	0	19.6M	BIA
National Creek Complex	OR-RSF	16,744	301	70	Ctn	10/01	212	91	6	3	6	0	17.3M	FS
Oven Fire	OR-PRD	1,100	0	95	Ctn	NR	91	0	2	5	3	0	163K	BLM
Alder Lake	WA-GPF	280	---	20	Ctn	10/01	55	---	2	3	0	0	2.6M	FS

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

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

**Rough**, Sierra NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Pechota) to IMT 1 (Opliger) and NIMO (Reinarz) will occur on tomorrow. Five miles north of Hume, CA. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior with crowning, wind-driven runs and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Tenaya**, Yosemite NP. Two miles north of Yosemite Valley, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching and backing. 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			
Rough	CA-SNF	117,034	6,900	29	Ctn	NR	2,570	341	51	164	14	4	81.3M	FS
Tenaya	CA-YNP	495	40	25	Ctn	9/16	271	1	8	8	4	0	1.3M	NPS

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

New fires: 21  
New large incidents: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 5  
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**Butte**, Amador-El Dorado Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Gouvea). One mile north of Mokelumne Hill, CA. Timber, chaparral and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with spotting, wind-driven runs and torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Gasquet Complex (2 fires)**, Six Rivers NF. IMT 2 (Garwood) and IMT 2 (Young). Thirteen miles northeast of Crescent City, CA. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching, backing and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**River Complex**, Shasta-Trinity NF. Three miles southwest of Denny, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching, backing and flanking. Area and trail closures in effect.

**South Complex**, Shasta-Trinity NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Jay Kurth) back to the local unit will occur today. Five miles north of Hyampom, CA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with 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			
Butte	CA-AEU	64,728	50,028	5	Ctn	NR	2,409	1,604	59	246	17	8	4.1M	ST
Gasquet Complex	CA-SRF	29,525	271	48	Ctn	10/15	651	-45	15	22	4	0	35M	FS
River Complex	CA-SHF	75,028	1,332	50	Ctn	10/01	194	-2	4	11	3	0	29.9M	FS
South Complex	CA-SHF	29,416	0	95	Ctn	10/01	227	-42	1	14	2	3	31.8M	FS

### **Great Basin Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 4  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Tepee Springs**, Payette NF. IMT 2 (Wilcox). Twenty miles south of Riggins, ID. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Elevenmile**, Salmon-Challis NF. Fifteen miles west of Challis, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with torching and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Oak Grove**, Dixie NF. Fifteen miles northeast St. George, UT. Timber, chaparral and brush. Active fire behavior with isolated torching and creeping.

**Wheeler**, Northeast Area, DOF. Ten miles southwest of Heber City, UT. Chaparral, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Tepee Springs	ID-PAF	95,082	179	80	Comp	10/15	751	-3	18	26	7	4	23M	FS
Elevenmile	ID-SCF	10,451	54	55	Comp	10/15	102	-184	3	3	1	0	8.4M	FS
Oak Grove	UT-DIF	833	63	10	Ctn	9/30	151	28	6	1	0	0	1.1M	FS
Wheeler	UT-NES	640	0	79	Ctn	9/12	211	-31	8	2	1	1	1.2M	ST

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)**

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

Area Command Team (Hughes) is assigned to the Grangeville, ID area for large fire support.

**Motorway Complex (10 fires)**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF. IMT 1 (Ruggiero). IMT is also managing the Jay Pt/Boulder fire. Ten miles east of Kooskia, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Jay Pt/Boulder (2 fires)**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF. Five miles south of Powell Junction, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

**Selway/Elk City/Red River Complex (6 fires)**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Dueitt) back to the local unit will occur on 9/14. Forty-one miles west of Darby, MT. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Avery Complex (3 fires)**, Idaho Panhandle NF. IMT 2 (Rosenthal). Timber, medium logging slash and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Goat Rock Complex (4 fires)**, Kootenai NF. IMT 2 (Russell). IMT is also managing the Sawtooth, Napoleon 1 and Government fires. Eight miles southwest of Libby, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Sawtooth**, Kootenai NF. Twenty miles south of Troy, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

**Napoleon 1**, Kootenai NF. Five miles north of Noxon, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Government**, Kootenai NF. Five miles north of Noxon, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Last Inch**, Clearwater Potlatch Timber Protective Association. Twelve miles east of Clarkia, ID. Timber. No new information. 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			
Motorway Complex	ID-NCF	23,870	314	45	Ctn	NR	589	-66	12	21	3	0	13M	FS
Jay Pt/Boulder	ID-NCF	9,744	0	35	Comp	NR	12	-1	0	2	0	1	1.7M	FS
Selway/Elk City/Red River Complex	ID-NCF	94,410	0	11	Comp	NR	358	-41	7	13	2	6	10.7M	FS

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn / Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crews	Eng	Heli			
Avery Complex	ID-IPF	4,673	0	67	Comp	NR	370	-76	6	15	1	0	6.6M	FS
Goat Rock Complex	MT-KNF	10,150	0	0	Comp	NR	111	-50	1	8	1	0	1K	FS
Sawtooth	MT-KNF	2,457	12	0	Comp	NR	0	0	0	0	0	0	1K	FS
Napoleon 1	MT-KNF	8,967	0	25	Comp	NR	12	-31	0	2	0	0	1K	FS
Government	MT-KNF	399	-1	0	Comp	NR	28	1	1	2	0	0	1K	FS
Last Inch	ID-CTS	689	---	95	Ctn	9/11	49	---	2	0	1	0	2.2M	ST

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	1	4,862	1	0	1	24
NWCC	26	1,225,489	199	355	51	8,213
ONCC	6	206,376	84	307	27	3,762
OSCC	7	117,720	70	194	23	3,226
NRCC	35	500,405	42	102	10	2,394
GBCC	11	117,080	37	35	11	1,286
SWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
EACC	1	1,012	0	0	0	0
SACC	11	467	0	5	0	22
<b>Total</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>2,173,412</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>18,927</b>

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

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	3	3	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	19	2	21
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	14,586	1,178	15,764
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	7	4	11
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	482	0	482
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	7,635	7,635
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	308	308
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	1	0	0	0	1	3
	ACRES	2,150	0	0	0	0	15	2,165
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	291	0	291
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	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	9	0	9
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>2,150</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,369</b>	<b>9,136</b>	<b>26,655</b>

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

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	<b>FIRES</b>	0	263	0	0	474	23	<b>760</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	0	4,034,077	0	0	1,076,069	796	<b>5,110,942</b>
Northwest Area	<b>FIRES</b>	264	293	39	74	1,429	1,313	<b>3,412</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	234,893	242,020	14,656	11,514	39,195	509,796	<b>1,052,074</b>
Northern California Area	<b>FIRES</b>	132	30	5	28	2,721	933	<b>3,849</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	243	10,786	354	2	154,504	237,388	<b>403,277</b>
Southern California Area	<b>FIRES</b>	23	56	12	90	2,729	502	<b>3,412</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	107	1,988	12	5,321	24,426	178,664	<b>210,518</b>
Northern Rockies Area	<b>FIRES</b>	926	90	5	21	1,225	1,106	<b>3,373</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	14,770	13,788	685	23,517	192,646	440,487	<b>685,893</b>
Great Basin Area	<b>FIRES</b>	38	706	5	36	578	475	<b>1,838</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	695	337,690	3	82	12,442	131,513	<b>482,425</b>
Southwest Area	<b>FIRES</b>	427	186	6	32	500	800	<b>1,951</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	56,159	5,352	62	3,799	17,290	117,930	<b>200,592</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	<b>FIRES</b>	474	299	16	24	932	192	<b>1,937</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	15,190	6,353	189	7,409	82,363	1,276	<b>112,780</b>
Eastern Area	<b>FIRES</b>	540	0	30	16	5,805	366	<b>6,757</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	2,185	0	2,102	549	45,464	5,532	<b>55,832</b>
Southern Area	<b>FIRES</b>	315	0	37	14	17,306	302	<b>17,974</b>
	<b>ACRES</b>	37,321	0	3,074	248	247,091	15,406	<b>303,140</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>3,139</b>	<b>1,923</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>33,699</b>	<b>6,012</b>	<b>45,263</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>361,563</b>	<b>4,652,054</b>	<b>21,137</b>	<b>52,441</b>	<b>1,891,490</b>	<b>1,638,788</b>	<b>8,617,473</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2005 – 2014 as of today)</b>	<b>55,814</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2005 – 2014 as of today)</b>	<b>6,312,406</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	222	0	0	0	0	222
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
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>222</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	4	0	100	111
	ACRES	0	78	495	268	0	1,860	2,701
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	10	31	28	4	5	139	217
	ACRES	3,651	10,580	12,835	1,590	695	17,735	47,086
Great Basin Area	FIRES	1	24	1	6	31	50	113
	ACRES	24	1,447	1,060	86	1,713	17,361	21,691
Southwest Area	FIRES	32	29	8	7	0	142	218
	ACRES	606	18,888	2,436	4,606	0	73,656	100,192
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	22	37	60	11	61	81	272
	ACRES	2,150	6,863	16,147	1,153	3,287	22,561	52,161
Eastern Area	FIRES	30	0	264	22	1,401	158	1,875
	ACRES	39,398	0	33,267	6,637	66,052	49,780	195,134
Southern Area	FIRES	88	0	154	11	8,736	707	9,696
	ACRES	16,583	0	116,723	14,261	530,330	621,899	1,299,796
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>190</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>10,236</b>	<b>1,637</b>	<b>12,832</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>64,869</b>	<b>59,742</b>	<b>188,187</b>	<b>28,840</b>	<b>603,065</b>	<b>836,120</b>	<b>1,780,823</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/>

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Another day of warm, dry and unstable conditions can be expected across portions of the western U.S. as a thermal trough of low pressure at the surface moves east of the Cascade Mountains in the Pacific Northwest. This will be in response to an upper level ridge of high pressure flattening out with the approach of several storm systems in the Pacific. Ahead of this, expect temperatures to continue above normal across the northern Rockies and Plains region with locally breezy conditions. Isolated showers and thunderstorms will develop over the higher terrain of California and the Great Basin as subtropical moisture streams northward. Cooler weather will persist over the eastern U.S. today with showers and thunderstorms focused along a cold front extending from New England through the Appalachian Mountains and along the Gulf Coast.

<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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## MY SAFETY

*Leadership Category*

An important aspect of safety is individual responsibility for one's own health & safety. Even with the best supervision, each individual firefighter will occasionally be required to make personal decisions concerning their safety. It is important that individual responsibility be taught as the basis for a viable safety program. Some of those individual responsibilities are:

- Fitness for duty. Begin each work shift both mentally and physically prepared for the rigors of wildland firefighting. Getting adequate sleep, maintaining a healthy diet, and proactively participating in physical training are the foundation of "My Safety".
- Utilization of personal protective equipment. Wear your PPE without being told. Each individual is responsible for performing their own risk assessments. If a hazard is identified that can be mitigated by wearing a particular PPE component it should be utilized. Fireline supervisors have more important duties to focus on other than performing glove patrol.
- Following safe work practices. Using a spotter when backing up vehicles is the prudent and professional course of action. If you are unsure of how to perform a job task safely, ask your supervisor or experienced coworker.
- Using the correct reference materials is an important aspect of safety. You should have a working knowledge of the Red Book, IRPG, and your local operating guidelines.
- Ensure instructions are clearly understood. Communication is a basic responsibility for all fire personnel. Ask appropriate questions to clarify uncertain issues. Speak up when you observe hazards that may place yourself or others at risk.
- Maintain situational awareness at all times. Awareness is a vital component of "My Safety". Pay attention to what is happening around your area of operations. Always display an awareness of what is happening around you by asking questions or making comments.

**Summary: Do not expect someone else to be responsible for your safety. Take it upon yourself to make "My Safety" your number one priority.**

### **Discussions points:**

1. *Talk about ways you can improve on your safety.*
2. *Have your supervisor talk about their expectations for individual safety.*

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