

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Saturday, November 19, 2016 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

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|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| Initial attack activity: | Light (85 new fires) |
| New large incidents: | 8 |
| Large fires contained: | 5 |
| Uncontained large fires:** | 29 |
| Area Command Teams Committed: | 0 |
| NIMOs committed: | 0 |
| Type 1 IMTs committed: | 2 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 4 |

**Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.
[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern Area (PL 5)

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|--------------------------|----|
| New fires: | 75 |
| New large incidents: | 6 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 29 |
| Type 1 IMTs committed: | 2 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 4 |

Party Rock, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (Brandon). One mile north of Lake Lure, NC. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with backing and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Chestnut Knob, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (Kern). Three miles south of Enola, NC. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Rock Mountain, Chattahoochee-Oconee NF. IMT 1 (Livingston). Two miles south of Tate City, GA. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Pinnacle Mountain, South Carolina Forestry Commission. Three miles southeast of Rocky Bottom, SC. Hardwood Litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area and trail closures in effect.

Tellico, National Forests in North Carolina. IMT 1 (Dueitt). IMT is also managing the Boteler, Dick's Creek, Muskrat, and Cathy Gap fires. Three miles south of Almond, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road and trail closures in effect.

Boteler, National Forests in North Carolina. Nine miles east of Hayesville, NC. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Dick's Creek, National Forests in North Carolina. Two miles northwest of Sylva, NC. Hardwood litter, short grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

Muskrat, North Carolina Forest Service. Eight miles southwest of Franklin, NC. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

Cathy Gap, National Forests in North Carolina. Four miles northwest of Balsam Grove, NC. Hardwood litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

Maple Springs, National Forests in North Carolina. IMT 2 (Esperance). Three miles northwest of Santeetlah Lake, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Tatum Gulf, Georgia Forestry Commission. Eleven miles west of LaFayette, GA. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

Eastern Cherokee Complex, Eastern Cherokee Agency (2 fires). Four miles east of Cherokee, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened.

Rough Ridge, Chattahoochee-Oconee NF. IMT 2 (Fogle). Thirteen miles northwest of Blue Ridge, GA. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

* **East Miller Cove**, Tennessee DOF. Started on private land one mile north of Walland, TN. Hardwood litter and southern rough. Extreme fire behavior with uphill runs. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Raven Rock, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Started on private land one mile east of Jenkins, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

* **Rosston**, Oklahoma DOF. Three miles north of Laverne, OK. Brush, tall grass and short Grass. Extreme fire behavior with wind driven runs. Evacuations in effect.

* **Bench Bluff**, Tennessee DOF. Two miles west of Pikeville, TN. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior.

Abner Br, Kentucky DOF. Two miles southwest of Big Laurel, KY. Timber and Hardwood Litter. Active fire behavior.

Hwy 190, Kentucky DOF. Two miles southwest of Pineville, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Poe Road, Tennessee DOF. Four miles west of Soddy Daisy, TN. Timber and Hardwood Litter. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Quarry Creek, Cherokee NF. Two miles east of Tellico Plains, TN. Hardwood litter, brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

Big Branch, Kentucky DOF. Three miles south of Rocksana. KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Walters Rd, Kentucky DOF. Two miles northeast of Pikeville, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Middlefield Fork Rd, Kentucky DOF. Three miles west of Lick Creek, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Pathfork, Kentucky DOF. Three miles south of Pathfork, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Hurricane Creek, Kentucky DOF. Three miles southwest of Stopover, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

Hollins Fork, Kentucky DOF. Three miles north of Thousandsticks, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active fire behavior.

* **Big Poplar**, Cherokee NF. One mile west of Turtletown, TN. Hardwood litter, closed timber litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and torching.

Irwin Mill, Georgia Forestry Commission. Two miles east of Fairmount, GA. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Scuddy 3, Kentucky DOF. One mile south of Scuddy, KY. Hardwood litter and timber. Active 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 | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| Party Rock | NC-NCS | 7,171 | 459 | 36 | Comp | 12/01 | 920 | 0 | 18 | 138 | 2 | 0 | 3.2M | ST |
| Chestnut Knob | NC-NCS | 6,340 | 411 | 35 | Ctn | 11/26 | 325 | 63 | 10 | 32 | 0 | 0 | 1.2M | ST |
| Rock Mountain | GA-CHF | 9,382 | 837 | 30 | Ctn | 12/15 | 482 | -77 | 12 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 2.6M | FS |
| Pinnacle Mountain | SC-SCS | 5,407 | 0 | 35 | Ctn | 12/01 | 258 | 35 | 10 | 17 | 3 | 1 | 1.1M | ST |
| Tellico | NC-NCF | 13,874 | 0 | 88 | Ctn | 11/20 | 260 | -86 | 4 | 24 | 0 | 1 | 4.5M | FS |
| Boteler | NC-NCF | 9,015 | 40 | 72 | Ctn | 12/15 | 390 | -98 | 4 | 25 | 6 | 0 | 7.4M | FS |
| Dick's Creek | NC-NCF | 728 | 0 | 98 | Ctn | UNK | 7 | 6 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 796K | FS |
| Muskrat | NC-NCS | 103 | 0 | 99 | Ctn | 11/21 | 28 | -2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 217K | ST |
| Cathy Gap | NC-NCF | 123 | 0 | 80 | Ctn | 11/25 | 71 | 36 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 26K | FS |
| Maple Springs | NC-NCF | 7,788 | 47 | 51 | Ctn | 12/05 | 340 | -2 | 5 | 25 | 7 | 0 | 4.4M | FS |
| Tatum Gulf | GA-GAS | 2,336 | 0 | 50 | Ctn | 11/30 | 109 | 7 | 1 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 340K | ST |
| Eastern Cherokee Complex | NC-ECA | 756 | 0 | 85 | Ctn | 11/25 | 80 | 0 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 1.1M | BIA |
| Rough Ridge | GA-CHF | 27,870 | 866 | 45 | Comp | 11/30 | 234 | -9 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 4.9M | FS |
| * East Miller Cove | TN-TNS | 200 | --- | 0 | Ctn | 12/07 | 39 | --- | 0 | 16 | 0 | 0 | 3K | PRI |
| Raven Rock | VA-VAF | 2,402 | 0 | 95 | Ctn | 11/30 | 74 | -1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 828K | PRI |
| * Rosston | OK-OKS | 3,160 | --- | 10 | Ctn | 11/19 | 45 | --- | 0 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 3K | ST |
| * Bench Bluff | TN-TNS | 2,018 | --- | 92 | Ctn | UNK | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15K | ST |
| Abner Br | KY-KYS | 1,113 | 0 | 75 | Ctn | 11/23 | 23 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 18K | ST |
| Hwy 190 | KY-KYS | 800 | 0 | 80 | Ctn | 11/23 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9K | ST |
| Poe Road | TN-TNS | 707 | --- | 70 | Ctn | 11/21 | 6 | --- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 162K | ST |
| Quarry Creek | TN-CNF | 520 | --- | 75 | Ctn | 11/25 | 71 | --- | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 100K | FS |
| Big Branch | KY-KYS | 450 | 300 | 80 | Ctn | 11/19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2K | ST |
| Walters Rd | KY-KYS | 374 | 0 | 80 | Ctn | 11/19 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3K | ST |
| Middlefield Fork Rd | KY-KYS | 250 | 0 | 75 | Ctn | 11/23 | 18 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2K | ST |
| Pathfork | KY-KYS | 230 | 100 | 60 | Ctn | 11/23 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3K | ST |

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|-----------------|--------|-------|------|-----|--------------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| Hurricane Creek | KY-KYS | 190 | 0 | 60 | Ctn | 11/19 | 11 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3K | ST |
| Hollins Fork | KY-KYS | 125 | 0 | 80 | Ctn | UNK | 0 | -11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3K | ST |
| * Big Poplar | TN-CNF | 120 | --- | 15 | Ctn | 11/25 | 39 | --- | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 60K | FS |
| Irwin Mill | GA-GAS | 107 | --- | 99 | Ctn | 11/21 | 14 | --- | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5K | ST |
| Scuddy 3 | KY-KYS | 100 | 0 | 80 | Ctn | 11/23 | 0 | -11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6K | ST |
| * 17 Command | OK-OKS | 450 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 22 | --- | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 5K | ST |
| * Battelle | AL-ALS | 125 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1K | PRI |

ALS – Alabama Forestry Commission

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 10
New large incidents: 2
Uncontained large fires: 0

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|---------------|--------|-------|------|-----|--------------|-----|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| New Home | MO-MTF | 357 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 7 | --- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 10K | FS |
| * Vintage | MO-MTF | 241 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 11 | --- | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5K | FS |
| * Sugar | MO-MTF | 187 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 2 | --- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5K | PRI |

MTF – Mark Twain NF

| Active Incident Resource Summary | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------------|
| GACC | Fires | Cumulative Acres | Crews | Engines | Helicopters | Total Personnel |
| AICC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NWCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ONCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| OSCC | 2 | 346.09 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 143 |
| NRCC | 1 | 699 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| GBCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SWCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RMCC | 1 | 3,070 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 10 |
| EACC | 7 | 2,430.56 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 87 |
| SACC | 86 | 141,740 | 110 | 413 | 32 | 4,566 |
| Total | 97 | 148,285.65 | 118 | 436 | 32 | 4,807 |

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 | 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 | 2 | 8 | 10 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 824 | 842 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 67 | 7 | 75 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2,090 | 139 | 2,239 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 69 | 15 | 85 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2,108 | 963 | 3,081 |

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

| Area | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|--------------------------|-------|----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Alaska Area | FIRES | 0 | 183 | 0 | 0 | 357 | 19 | 559 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 390,706 | 0 | 0 | 104,837 | 3 | 495,546 |
| Northwest Area | FIRES | 299 | 251 | 30 | 26 | 1,266 | 687 | 2,559 |
| | ACRES | 41,132 | 324,979 | 2,778 | 5,042 | 61,535 | 48,385 | 483,851 |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 111 | 9 | 1 | 26 | 2,749 | 432 | 3,328 |
| | ACRES | 145 | 227 | 1 | 5 | 48,990 | 46,110 | 95,478 |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 13 | 92 | 11 | 54 | 3,223 | 434 | 3,827 |
| | ACRES | 5,971 | 30,049 | 405 | 1,147 | 124,321 | 305,956 | 467,849 |
| Northern Rockies Area | FIRES | 800 | 99 | 11 | 27 | 1,260 | 472 | 2,669 |
| | ACRES | 14,733 | 5,851 | 2,013 | 61,914 | 42,192 | 61,511 | 188,214 |
| Great Basin Area | FIRES | 35 | 750 | 8 | 58 | 658 | 545 | 2,054 |
| | ACRES | 12,439 | 303,225 | 3 | 24,239 | 139,275 | 281,055 | 760,236 |
| Southwest Area | FIRES | 871 | 248 | 11 | 65 | 914 | 1,170 | 3,279 |
| | ACRES | 80,802 | 66,535 | 6,976 | 32,187 | 131,858 | 259,618 | 577,976 |
| Rocky Mountain Area | FIRES | 855 | 449 | 14 | 24 | 1,321 | 740 | 3,403 |
| | ACRES | 26,644 | 35,085 | 615 | 2,140 | 515,932 | 99,418 | 679,834 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 519 | 0 | 30 | 53 | 8,712 | 436 | 9,750 |
| | ACRES | 2,209 | 0 | 1,113 | 966 | 59,963 | 8,696 | 72,947 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 404 | 1 | 59 | 76 | 25,136 | 675 | 26,351 |
| | ACRES | 134,045 | 1 | 1,555 | 28,953 | 1,081,561 | 94,172 | 1,340,287 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 3,907 | 2,082 | 175 | 409 | 45,596 | 5,610 | 57,779 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 318,120 | 1,156,658 | 15,459 | 156,593 | 2,310,464 | 1,204,924 | 5,162,218 |

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| Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today) | 65,494 |
| Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today) | 6,788,673 |

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 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 82 | 82 |
| 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 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 108 | 0 | 108 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 154 | 0 | 154 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 15 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 0 | 40 | 0 | 0 | 262 | 82 | 384 |

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

| Area | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|--------------------------|-------|---------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Alaska Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 33,218 | 38 | 33,274 |
| Northwest Area | FIRES | 14 | 127 | 20 | 2 | 9 | 421 | 593 |
| | ACRES | 9,554 | 12,687 | 1,159 | 29 | 1,128 | 58,647 | 83,204 |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 8 | 2 | 11 | 18 | 0 | 230 | 269 |
| | ACRES | 103 | 219 | 3,813 | 2,697 | 0 | 22,903 | 29,735 |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 0 | 5 | 10 | 5 | 0 | 149 | 169 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 71 | 1,419 | 1,391 | 0 | 5,477 | 8,358 |
| Northern Rockies Area | FIRES | 15 | 32 | 59 | 13 | 93 | 460 | 672 |
| | ACRES | 5,520 | 6,243 | 14,333 | 956 | 4,236 | 27,289 | 58,577 |
| Great Basin Area | FIRES | 4 | 31 | 10 | 15 | 44 | 112 | 216 |
| | ACRES | 151 | 8,262 | 5,622 | 2,575 | 1,913 | 37,758 | 56,281 |
| Southwest Area | FIRES | 24 | 31 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 167 | 239 |
| | ACRES | 20,745 | 26,931 | 92 | 2,349 | 3,365 | 92,777 | 146,259 |
| Rocky Mountain Area | FIRES | 37 | 38 | 69 | 35 | 71 | 94 | 344 |
| | ACRES | 9,213 | 5,306 | 27,232 | 13,891 | 4,602 | 43,145 | 103,389 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 87 | 0 | 369 | 40 | 1,097 | 261 | 1,854 |
| | ACRES | 45,614 | 0 | 52,415 | 6,910 | 85,975 | 59,125 | 250,039 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 24 | 0 | 197 | 69 | 12,432 | 948 | 13,670 |
| | ACRES | 4,767 | 0 | 162,624 | 51,834 | 720,026 | 849,885 | 1,789,136 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 213 | 266 | 750 | 206 | 13,753 | 2,843 | 18,031 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 95,667 | 59,719 | 268,727 | 82,632 | 854,463 | 1,197,044 | 2,558,252 |

*** 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: An upper ridge will set up over the central U.S. with one trough exiting the Northeast and another entering the Northwest. A cold front will sweep through the eastern U.S. with rain and snow across the Great Lakes region and New England. Rain with snow in the mountains will move into the Northwest, northern California and the northern Rockies. Breezy and dry conditions will develop over the far southeastern states. Temperatures across the most of the northern half of the U.S. will be cold to very cold. The central and western states will be cool to mild while the far Southwest and the Southeast Coast remain very warm.

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



ATTEMPTING A FRONTAL ASSAULT ON A FIRE

Operational Engagement Category

Attempting a frontal assault on a fire is recognized as Watchout Situation #10 and is a potentially dangerous tactic.

- If your tactics include a frontal assault, the following checklist must be adequately addressed before engaging the fire:
- Has the fire been scouted and sized up? Who will scout and size up a fire and what are they looking for?
- Is your position defensible? List what makes a firefighter's position defensible. (Anchor points, safety zones, escape routes, etc.)
- Are escape routes and safety zones adequate? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route.
- Do you have an anchor point? How would you establish an anchor point for a frontal assault on a fire?
- Do you have adequate resources to complete the assault? Discuss things you need to consider; for example, if the frontal assault fails, do you have backup?
- Are you informed on strategy, tactics, and hazards? Consider what could happen if someone has a different approach than you; i.e., the IC has a burnout operation planned while you are attempting frontal assault.
- Is the terrain favorable to holding the fire? Discuss ways the terrain will influence where you will make a stand.
- Are you relying on aircraft for support operation? Any operation, especially frontal assault, should not need air resources to be safe.

In order to reduce the risks, reassess your tactics, post lookouts, identify situations in which firefighters may be enticed to attempt frontal assault on a fire. Review why this may or may not be a good idea.

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.

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