

**National Interagency Coordination Center**  
**Incident Management Situation Report**  
**Saturday, November 26, 2016 – 0800 MT**  
**National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (80 new fires)
New large incidents:	1
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires:**	21
Area Command Teams Committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

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

**Southern Area (PL 5)**

New fires:	80
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	20
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

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

**Mount Pleasant**, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Four miles west of Lowesville, VA. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Pinnacle Mountain**, South Carolina Forestry Commission. Three miles southeast of Rocky Bottom, SC. Hardwood Litter and timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking, and isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Camp Branch**, National Forests in North Carolina. IMT 1 (Wilkins). IMT is also managing the Tellico, Boteler, Maple Springs, Dicks Creek, Muskrat, and Cathy Gap fires. Seven miles west of Franklin, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and grass. Active fire behavior with flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened.

**Tellico**, National Forests in North Carolina. Three miles south of Almond, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Trail closures in effect.

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

**Maple Springs**, National Forests in North Carolina. Three miles northwest of Santeetlah Lake, NC. Hardwood litter, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior. 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.

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

**Clear Creek**, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (Thompson). Five miles west of Marion, NC. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with backing and flanking. Numerous residences threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Party Rock**, North Carolina Forest Service. ODF IMT 1 (Buckman). One mile north of Lake Lure, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

**Chestnut Knob**, North Carolina Forest Service. NCFS IMT 2 (Kern). Three miles south of Enola, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**Chimney Rock**, Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area. Thirteen miles northwest of Oneida, TN. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**Tatum Gulf**, Georgia Forestry Commission. Eleven miles west of LaFayette, GA. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

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

\* **HWY 151**, National Forests in North Carolina. Thirty miles southeast of Ashville, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior.

**Eades Hollow**, Virginia DOF. One mile northeast of Lovington, VA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

**Eastern Cherokee Complex**, Eastern Cherokee Agency, BIA. Four miles east of Cherokee, NC. Hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**2 Mile**, North Carolina Forest Service. Five miles south of West Jefferson, NC. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Horton**, North Carolina Forest Service. Six miles east of Blowing Rock, NC. Hardwood litter. No new information.

**Criswell Hollow Road**, Kentucky DOF. Started on private land seven miles south of Monticello, KY. Hardwood litter. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Rock Mountain	GA-CHF	18,069	0	40	Ctn	12/15	563	-4	11	44	7	0	6.4M	FS
Mount Pleasant	VA-VAF	11,000	3,800	45	Comp	12/12	257	5	18	13	6	0	1.5M	FS
Pinnacle Mountain	SC-SCS	8,903	1,121	40	Ctn	12/24	253	-5	3	11	6	0	2.6M	ST
Camp Branch	NC-NCF	1,363	0	20	Ctn	UNK	102	12	3	6	0	2	100K	FS
Tellico	NC-NCF	13,874	0	95	Ctn	UNK	67	-109	0	4	0	1	5.2M	FS
Boteler	NC-NCF	9,036	0	77	Ctn	12/15	186	15	4	19	2	0	10.5M	FS
Maple Springs	NC-NCF	7,788	0	78	Ctn	12/5	100	-85	2	6	5	0	6.3M	FS
Dick's Creek	NC-NCF	729	0	99	Ctn	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	0	920K	FS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Muskrat	NC-NCS	104	0	99	Ctn	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	0	242K	ST
Cathy Gap	NC-NCF	123	0	99	Ctn	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	0	342K	FS
Clear Creek	NC-NCS	2,623	114	30	Ctn	12/10	457	136	13	25	2	0	1.6M	ST
Party Rock	NC-NCS	7,171	0	80	Comp	12/1	290	-16	6	23	1	3	6.9M	ST
Chestnut Knob	NC-NCS	6,435	0	80	Ctn	11/29	156	-55	2	16	0	0	3.5M	ST
Chimney Rock	TN-BSP	605	5	40	Ctn	11/28	43	0	3	4	1	0	60K	NPS
Tatum Gulf	GA-GAS	2,336	0	80	Ctn	11/30	14	0	0	4	0	2	601K	ST
Rough Ridge	GA-CHF	27,870	0	83	Comp	11/30	172	-25	4	10	1	0	7M	FS
* HWY 151	NC-NCF	245	---	30	Ctn	11/27	51	---	1	7	1	0	100K	FS
Eades Hollow	VA-VAS	1,614	692	99	Ctn	11/26	26	0	1	2	0	0	6K	ST
Eastern Cherokee Complex	NC-ECA	756	0	95	Ctn	UNK	35	-21	1	3	0	0	1.4M	BIA
Bowlings Creek	KY-KYS	500	---	75	Ctn	UNK	20	---	1	1	0	0	4K	ST
2 Mile	NC-NCS	440	---	70	Ctn	UNK	78	---	0	18	0	0	10K	ST
Horton	NC-NCS	1,200	---	65	Ctn	11/30	150	---	0	31	0	0	100K	ST
Criswell Hollow Road	KY-KYS	200	---	25	Ctn	11/26	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	PRI
Roaring	VA-VAF	94	-106	100	Ctn	---	26	-3	0	3	0	0	20K	FS

### Eastern Area (PL 1)

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

**South**, Monongahela NF. Four miles southeast of Frankford, WV. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
South	WV-MOF	282	0	70	Ctn	11/26	63	1	1	3	1	0	400K	FS

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	1	1,235	1	0	0	6
OSCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	0	518	0	0	0	0
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
EACC	2	1,269.5	1	8	2	83
SACC	83	166,548.5	100	332	33	3,714
<b>Total</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>169,571</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>3,803</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	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	3	1	4
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	77	3	80
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2,014	4,262	6,276
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,017</b>	<b>4,263</b>	<b>6,280</b>

**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	256	30	26	1,266	687	2,564
	ACRES	41,132	324,444	2,778	5,042	61,535	48,385	483,316
Northern California Area	FIREs	111	9	1	26	2,761	434	3,342
	ACRES	145	227	1	5	50,226	46,110	96,714
Southern California Area	FIREs	13	92	11	54	3,223	435	3,828
	ACRES	5,971	30,049	405	1,147	124,321	305,956	467,849
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	800	99	11	27	1,260	473	2,670
	ACRES	14,733	5,851	2,013	61,914	42,192	61,511	188,214
Great Basin Area	FIREs	35	752	8	58	659	545	2,057
	ACRES	12,439	303,226	3	24,239	139,225	281,056	760,188
Southwest Area	FIREs	876	248	11	65	915	1,171	3,286
	ACRES	80,809	66,535	6,976	32,187	131,863	259,707	578,077
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	855	449	14	24	1,322	741	3,405
	ACRES	26,644	35,085	615	2,140	515,934	99,419	679,837
Eastern Area	FIREs	519	0	30	53	9,127	448	10,177
	ACRES	2,209	0	1,113	966	61,048	9,106	74,442
Southern Area	FIREs	404	1	60	78	26,082	730	27,355
	ACRES	134,045	1	1,556	28,956	1,119,398	107,260	1,391,216
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>3,912</b>	<b>2,089</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>46,972</b>	<b>5,683</b>	<b>59,243</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>318,127</b>	<b>1,156,124</b>	<b>15,460</b>	<b>156,596</b>	<b>2,350,579</b>	<b>1,218,513</b>	<b>5,215,399</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>66,125</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>6,777,407</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	3	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	108	108
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	1	237	238
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	227	0	227
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>573</b>

### 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	128	20	2	9	422 595
	ACRES	9,554	13,075	1,159	29	1,128	58,655 83,600
Northern California Area	FIREs	8	3	11	18	0	237 277
	ACRES	103	224	3,813	2,698	0	23,300 30,138
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	5	10	5	0	152 172
	ACRES	0	71	1,419	1,391	0	5,626 8,507
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	15	32	59	13	94	463 676
	ACRES	5,520	6,243	14,333	956	4,511	27,311 58,874
Great Basin Area	FIREs	4	32	10	15	43	113 217
	ACRES	151	8,263	5,622	2,575	2,055	38,176 56,842
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	41	1,299	263 2,059
	ACRES	45,614	0	52,415	7,180	89,842	57,053 252,104
Southern Area	FIREs	24	0	197	69	12,468	948 13,706
	ACRES	4,767	0	162,624	51,834	720,617	849,885 1,789,727
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>13,991</b>	<b>2,860</b>	<b>18,290</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>	<b>95,667</b>	<b>60,113</b>	<b>268,727</b>	<b>82,903</b>	<b>859,338</b>	<b>1,195,966</b>	<b>2,562,714</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:** A broad trough will remain across the U.S. Scattered rain and snow will linger in the Northeast. Scattered rain at lower elevations and snow in the mountains will continue over the Northwest and northern Rockies. Temperatures will remain cold across the West and North, warm in the South.

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



## REFUSING RISK

*Operational Engagement Category*

Every firefighter has the right and obligation to report safety problems and contribute ideas regarding their safety. Supervisors are expected to give these concerns and ideas serious consideration. When an individual feels an assignment is unsafe, they also have the obligation to identify, to the degree possible, safe alternatives for completing that assignment. Turning down an assignment is one possible outcome of managing risk.

- A turn down is a situation where an individual has determined an assignment cannot be undertaken as given, and they are unable to negotiate an alternative solution.
- A turn down must be based on an assessment of risks and the ability of an individual or organization to control those risks.
- A situation may be a candidate for a turndown if:
  - There is a violation of safe work practices.
  - Environmental conditions make the work unsafe.
  - The forces lack the necessary qualifications or experience.
  - Defective equipment is being used.
- The following steps will be used when turning down an assignment:
  - The individual will directly inform their supervisor that they are turning down the assignment as given. (Document using criteria outlined in the risk management process.)
  - Supervisor will notify the Safety Officer immediately upon being informed. In the absence of a Safety Officer, the appropriate Section Chief or Incident Commander will be notified. This step provides accountability for decisions and initiates communication of safety concerns.
  - If the supervisor requests another resource to perform the assignment, he/she is responsible for informing that resource that the assignment has previously been refused and the reason(s) why.
  - The safety hazard should be documented by the submission of a SAFENET or SAFECOM.
- These actions do not stop an operation from being carried out. This protocol is integral to the effective management of risk as it provides timely identification of hazards to the chain of command, raises risk awareness for both leaders and subordinates, and promotes accountability.

References:

Incident Response Pocket Guide

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