

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, December 18, 2017 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (19) new fires
New large incidents:	0
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires:**	2
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

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

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

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	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	4	296,690	154	982	36	8,577
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMCC	1	54,023	2	6	0	46
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	23	3,200.6	6	34	0	164
Total	28	353,913.6	161	1,022	36	8,787

Southern California Area (PL 3)

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

Thomas, Ventura County Fire Department. Unified command between Cal Fire IMT 1 (Derum) and IMT 1 (J. Kurth). Seven miles east of Ojai, CA. Chaparral, and brush. Active fire behavior with creeping, backing and flanking. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, 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	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Thomas	CA-VNC	270,500	1,500	45	Ctn	01/07	8,452	-77	153	968	35	1,024	131M	C&L

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

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

Legion Lake, South Dakota Wildland Fire Suppression. Eight miles east of Custer, SD. Medium logging slash, short grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

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		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Legion Lake	SD-SDS	54,023	0	95	Ctn	12/18	46	-210	2	6	0	3	2.2M	ST

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	11	1	12
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	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	6	0	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	50	0	50
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	0	0	17	2	19
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	0	0	54	0	54

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	171	0	0	176	13	360
	ACRES	0	571,516	0	0	81,348	1	652,865
Northwest Area	FIREs	193	266	39	26	1,518	1,354	3,396
	ACRES	11,933	224,928	20,954	15,836	40,459	754,724	1,068,834
Northern California Area	FIREs	84	74	6	16	3,011	956	4,147
	ACRES	118	39,891	71	38	303,663	355,597	699,378
Southern California Area	FIREs	177	86	2	46	4,223	549	5,083
	ACRES	659	37,901	0	12,089	217,820	254,302	522,771
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	883	100	28	34	1,781	723	3,549
	ACRES	75,991	373,106	2,812	22,319	257,609	729,419	1,461,256
Great Basin Area	FIREs	38	1,074	5	40	953	481	2,591
	ACRES	56,352	1,268,751	2	38	451,348	225,116	2,001,607
Southwest Area	FIREs	767	255	19	44	778	1,096	2,959
	ACRES	46,756	23,564	1,027	1,396	116,525	365,439	554,707
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	783	358	10	26	1,395	431	3,003
	ACRES	10,092	58,446	354	2,474	634,506	14,103	719,975
Eastern Area	FIREs	364	0	17	21	4,037	404	4,843
	ACRES	2,137	0	161	151	21,955	5,913	30,317
Southern Area	FIREs	398	528	111	53	28,827	470	30,387
	ACRES	48,997	6,668	181,482	55,651	1,481,456	27,734	1,801,988
TOTAL FIRES:		3,687	2,912	237	306	46,699	6,477	60,318
TOTAL ACRES:		253,035	2,604,771	206,863	109,992	3,606,689	2,732,348	9,513,698

Ten Year Average Fires (2007 – 2016 as of today)	66,549
Ten Year Average Acres (2007 – 2016 as of today)	6,406,216

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	167	0	167
TOTAL FIREs:		0	0	0	0	17	0	17
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	0	0	167	0	167

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	6	2	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	64,850	100	64,950
Northwest Area	FIREs	13	47	18	2	3	250	333
	ACRES	3,244	9,911	5,698	39	19	34,280	53,191
Northern California Area	FIREs	2	5	9	18	0	195	229
	ACRES	21	836	1,173	857	0	29,796	32,683
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	3	12	6	0	169	190
	ACRES	0	62	2,983	954	0	10,230	14,229
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	10	16	45	9	154	247	481
	ACRES	951	5,750	19,622	812	8,493	12,033	47,661
Great Basin Area	FIREs	7	27	9	12	53	100	208
	ACRES	928	8,345	2,761	4,364	1,539	26,125	44,062
Southwest Area	FIREs	35	35	4	9	6	170	259
	ACRES	21,733	47,014	4,952	4,101	6,117	124,069	207,986
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	27	42	57	16	110	125	377
	ACRES	1,255	4,020	25,230	6,053	5,425	56,237	98,220
Eastern Area	FIREs	51	0	181	25	1,354	280	1,891
	ACRES	26,679	0	26,794	6,434	100,614	68,957	229,478
Southern Area	FIREs	85	0	137	40	102,336	697	103,295
	ACRES	10,352	0	81,801	159,315	2,745,845	586,293	3,583,606
TOTAL FIRES:		230	175	472	137	104,022	2,235	107,271
TOTAL ACRES:		65,163	75,938	171,014	182,929	2,932,902	948,120	4,376,066

*** 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: The ridge of high pressure over the West will begin to weaken as the first of several disturbances move east along the Canadian border. Mountain snowfall is expected at the passes. Warm and dry conditions will continue across California as the wind flow alternates between being off shore and parallel to the coastline. The disturbance previously over the southwest will move east into the southern plains and weaken. Scattered showers with breezy winds will be possible in the Texas Panhandle. The East will remain warm and mostly dry under as southwesterly flow. However, scattered showers and storms will remain possible over the Southeast as a weakening front briefly stalls north of a ridge of high pressure centered over Cuba and Florida. In Alaska, expect a return to mostly dry conditions with above average temperatures as high pressure rebuilds over the state. The return could be short-lived, however, as a strong, windy, and cold system begins to exit Siberia and moves east into the Bering Sea toward the state.

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



Transfer Of Command

Operational Engagement Category

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES –Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel.
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed.
- Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.
- Not all Resources know who is in command.

Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.
- Transition at the morning briefing.
- Utilize the [Incident Response Pocket Guide](#) transition checklist.

Resources:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire & Fire Aviation Operations](#)

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide](#)

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