

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, June 25, 2018 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial Attack Activity:	Light (115) new fires
New large incidents:	10
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires:**	20
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there are 33 large fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

**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	2	35,158	5	1	3	166
NWCC	7	126,352	23	69	8	853
ONCC	3	11,000	34	181	8	1,558
OSCC	4	5,933	6	3	3	212
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	8	23,752	14	33	11	640
SWCC	7	58,689	12	21	8	430
RMCC	6	59,115	21	34	5	884
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	8	3,553	0	9	2	88
Total	45	323,557	115	351	48	4,831

Northern California (PL2)

New fires:	36
New large incidents:	4
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2

* **Pawnee**, Sonoma Lake Napa Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (See). Five miles northeast of Clearlake Oaks, CA. Brush and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with long-range spotting and uphill runs. Numerous structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

* **Lane**, Tehama-Glenn Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Kavanaugh). One-half mile northeast of Paynes Creek, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, short-range spotting and backing. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

* **Shu Creek**, Shasta Trinity Unit, Cal Fire. Four miles north of Happy Valley, CA. Brush and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with spotting. Communities of Happy Valley and Igo threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

* **Stoll**, Tehama-Glenn Unit, Cal Fire. Two miles west of Red Bluff, CA. Tall grass. Moderate fire behavior. Structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Pawnee	CA-LNU	7,700	---	0	Ctn	7/1	237	---	5	35	2	22	800K	ST
* Lane	CA-TGU	3,000	---	10	Ctn	6/29	1,083	---	26	106	6	0	3.4M	ST
* Shu Creek	CA-SHU	1,000	---	20	Ctn	7/1	NR	---	NR	NR	NR	2	900K	ST
* Stoll	CA-TGU	300	---	50	Ctn	6/27	228	---	3	43	0	20	1K	ST

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	9
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Boxcar 0410 RN, Prineville District, BLM. IMT 2 (Gales). IMT is also managing the Jack Knife 0440 RN fire. Includes previously reported South Junction fire. Started on private land 1 mile southeast of Maupin, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

Jack Knife 0440 RN, Prineville District BLM. Started on private land 11 miles southeast of Grass Valley, OR. Timber, brush and tall grass. Active fire behavior with flanking and backing and creeping. Residences threatened. Area closures in effect.

Graham 0420 OD, Sisters Unit, ODF. ODF IMT 1 (Cline). Started on private land 15 miles north of Sisters, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with single-tree torching, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road and area closures in effect.

Whiskey, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Eleven miles north of Gateway, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Boxcar 0410 RN	OR-PRD	95,850	3,850	47	Ctn	7/6	205	100	3	23	1	0	2.1M	PRI
Jack Knife 0440 RN	OR-PRD	12,101	2,101	65	Ctn	7/6	100	50	3	7	1	0	808K	PRI
Graham 0420 OD	OR-955S	2,175	32	65	Ctn	6/28	307	-88	7	13	5	11	1.5M	PRI
Whiskey	OR-WSA	1,014	0	94	Ctn	UNK	91	0	4	8	1	0	130K	BIA

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:	14
New large incidents:	3
Uncontained large fires:	3

* **Everett**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 13 miles northeast of Albany, TX. Brush, tall grass and short grass. Active fire behavior with running, wind-driven runs and long-range spotting.

* **Sky Ranch**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 12 miles north of Strawn, TX. Brush, tall grass and short grass. Active fire behavior with running, wind-driven runs and spotting. Residence threatened.

* **9 Mile Hill**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 5 miles south of Sweetwater, TX. Brush, tall grass and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with running. Residences threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Everett	TX-TXS	1,000	---	10	Ctn	6/27	9	---	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
* Sky Ranch	TX-TXS	400	---	30	Ctn	6/26	26	---	0	3	0	0	1K	PRI
* 9 Mile Hill	TX-TXS	700	---	75	Ctn	6/25	30	---	0	3	1	0	1K	PRI
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Small Hammock	FL-EVP	772	125	0	Comp	7/14	10	2	0	1	1	0	20K	NPS
EVP – Everglades National Park, NPS														

Southern California (PL 2)

New fires:	25
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	1

* **Lions**, Sierra NF. Seven miles southwest of Mammoth Lakes, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs, group torching and short-range spotting.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Lions	CA-SNF	1,000	---	0	Ctn	7/14	162	---	5	0	3	0	342K	FS

Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

Trail Mountain, Manti-Lasal NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Roide) back to the local unit will occur today. Fifteen miles northwest of Orangeville, UT. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, flanking and backing. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Rocky, Pershing County. Started on private land 25 miles northeast of Lovelock, NV. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Trail Mountain	UT-MLF	17,697	283	79	Ctn	7/11	334	-25	6	18	6	4	10.4M	FS
Rocky	NV-PERX	1,612	1,312	80	Ctn	6/25	70	36	2	6	1	1	60K	PRI
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Willow Creek	UT-UWF	1,311	---	77	Comp	10/11	21	---	0	2	0	0	627K	FS

UWF – Uinta/Wasatch-Cache NF

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	18
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	3

Buzzard, Gila NF. Ten miles east of Reserve, NM. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

San Antonio, Valles Caldera National Preserve, NPS. Eighteen miles northwest of Los Alamos, NM. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structure threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Ranch, Socorro District, New Mexico State Forestry. Nine miles southwest of Reserve, NM. Timber, grass and understory. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

* **Crooked Creek**, Lincoln NF. Twenty-three miles east of Pinon, NM. Brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior with running, smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened. Last narrative 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			
Buzzard	NM-GNF	50,296	387	85	Ctn	7/5	109	-31	2	1	2	0	14.4M	FS
San Antonio	NM-VCP	416	0	75	Ctn	7/15	76	-33	2	2	3	0	2.4M	NPS
Ranch	NM-N3S	370	0	75	Ctn	UNK	102	-102	5	5	2	3	865K	ST
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Crooked Creek	NM-LNF	5,700	---	25	Comp	6/30	104	---	2	9	1	0	420K	FS
Willow	NM-GNF	592	---	0	Comp	7/15	12	---	1	0	0	0	165K	FS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires:	6
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	3
NIMOs committed:	1

416, San Juan NF. NIMO (Reinarz). Thirteen miles north of Durango, CO. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with wind-driven runs, spotting and group torching. Numerous residences threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Burro, San Juan NF. Fourteen miles south of Rico, CO. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with single-tree torching, backing and creeping. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Badger Creek, Medicine Bow-Routt NF. Two miles northwest of Mountain Home, WY. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. 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			
416	CO-SJF	34,378	100	37	Ctn	7/31	475	9	10	16	3	0	22.9M	FS
Burro	CO-SJF	3,771	15	40	Ctn	8/1	67	-3	1	1	0	0	2.5M	FS
Badger Creek	WY-MRF	20,357	0	94	Ctn	6/30	140	-7	3	8	2	3	6.9M	FS

Alaska Area (PL 1)

New fires: 0

New large incidents: 1

Uncontained large fires: 0

* **White Mountain Creek**, Tanana Fire Zone, BLM. Forty-five miles northeast of Medfra, AK. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Last narrative 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			
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* White Mountain Creek	AK-TAD	5,217	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Zitziana River	AK-TAD	34,380	0	0	Comp	10/1	122	-22	3	0	3	2	1.8M	ST
Door Mountains	AK-SWS	10,454	---	0	Comp	7/5	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Bella Creek	AK-SWS	2,631	---	0	Comp	7/5	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	ST
Gweek	AK-SWS	446	---	0	Comp	7/5	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	FWS
Our Creek	AK-SWS	181	---	0	Comp	7/5	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Devils Elbow	AK-SWS	180	---	0	Comp	7/5	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	PRI
Bear Paw	AK-TAD	487	---	0	Comp	7/10	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	NPS
Lynx Creek	AK-TAD	2,382	---	0	Comp	7/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Snohomish	AK-TAD	311	---	0	Comp	7/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Little Melozitna River	AK-TAD	9,313	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Dulby Hot Springs	AK-GAD	38,052	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	22K	BLM
Denikta Ridge	AK-GAD	18,387	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	1	0	1	0	428K	PRI
Tusikpak Lake	AK-GAD	14,547	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	88K	BLM
Unalakleet River	AK-GAD	3,341	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	13K	BLM
Purcell	AK-GAD	2,564	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
North Innoko	AK-GAD	1,718	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	28K	FWS
Fairhaven Creek	AK-GAD	1,908	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	4K	ST
Rabbit River	AK-GAD	837	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	45K	FWS
Continental Divide	AK-GAD	558	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Tumit Creek	AK-GAD	517	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Kilolitna River	AK-TAD	12,800	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Webber Creek	AK-UYD	4,233	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	NPS
Haystack	AK-TAD	421	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	BLM
Swift Fork	AK-TAD	3,527	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Kako Creek	AK-GAD	1,908	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	151K	BLM
Trimokish Hills	AK-SWS	1,427	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	4K	PRI
Bismark	AK-GAD	876	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	144K	BLM
Fishing Village	AK-GAD	318	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	152K	PRI

TAD – Tanana Fire Zone, BLM

SWS – Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska DOF

GAD – Galena Zone, BLM

UYD – Upper Yukon Zone, BLM

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	43	0	0	15	0	58
Northwest Area	FIREs	2	1	1	0	3	2	9
	ACRES	1	206	10	0	1	0	218
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	33	3	36
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	4,265	4	4,269
Southern California Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	24	0	25
	ACRES	414	0	0	0	4	964	1,382
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	5	1	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,321	0	1,321
Southwest Area	FIREs	3	2	0	0	2	11	18
	ACRES	2	2	0	0	41	5,839	5,884
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	4	0	0	1	1	6
	ACRES	0	6	0	0	0	0	6
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	1	0	13	0	14
	ACRES	0	0	56	0	131	0	187
TOTAL FIRES:		6	7	2	0	82	18	115
TOTAL ACRES:		417	257	66	0	5,778	6,807	13,326

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	77	0	0	137	12	226
	ACRES	0	218,682	0	0	18,685	57	237,424
Northwest Area	FIREs	57	70	11	4	381	159	682
	ACRES	498	32,758	1,522	2	9,846	154	44,780
Northern California Area	FIREs	37	10	0	1	951	129	1,128
	ACRES	18	728	0	0	11,159	512	12,417
Southern California Area	FIREs	15	23	3	8	1,605	120	1,774
	ACRES	847	541	4	256	17,994	1,980	21,621
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	404	1	0	1	105	40	551
	ACRES	2,443	1	0	0	965	30	3,439
Great Basin Area	FIREs	9	180	2	13	299	59	562
	ACRES	102	8,686	0	37	14,646	15,477	38,948
Southwest Area	FIREs	505	126	5	19	566	451	1,672
	ACRES	30,265	2,159	215	3,666	263,248	108,734	408,287
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	160	95	7	7	332	159	760
	ACRES	2,229	4,730	1,712	24	193,469	59,493	261,657
Eastern Area	FIREs	428	0	4	20	3,104	313	3,869
	ACRES	4,130	0	22	186	17,496	7,167	29,001
Southern Area	FIREs	399	67	39	37	15,774	282	16,598
	ACRES	115,077	310	3,285	18,972	1,007,733	27,340	1,172,717
TOTAL FIRES:		2,014	649	71	110	23,254	1,724	27,822
TOTAL ACRES:		155,609	268,596	6,760	23,143	1,555,241	220,944	2,230,292

Ten Year Average Fires (2008 – 2017 as of today)	29,443
Ten Year Average Acres (2008 – 2017 as of today)	1,827,044

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	5	0	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	3,336	0	3,336
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	0	0	5	0	5
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	0	0	3,336	0	3,336

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

Areas		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	3	0	11	1	15
	ACRES	0	0	56	0	36,158	70	36,284
Northwest Area	FIREs	25	29	9	7	0	173	243
	ACRES	2,472	5,546	4,497	414	0	46,015	58,944
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	3	9	16	1	125	154
	ACRES	0	1,792	5,627	1,938	35	18,067	27,459
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	2	3	2	0	130	137
	ACRES	0	90	405	48	0	12,550	13,093
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	9	13	39	3	4	110	178
	ACRES	3,006	12,437	10,191	12,203	257	13,757	51,851
Great Basin Area	FIREs	2	18	2	4	31	72	129
	ACRES	75	2,239	40	67	2,315	23,247	27,983
Southwest Area	FIREs	10	15	7	4	1	95	132
	ACRES	1,676	12,963	204	836	51	70,535	86,265
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	16	38	24	9	37	112	236
	ACRES	2,196	4,204	15,594	263	9,026	46,189	77,472
Eastern Area	FIREs	57	0	148	29	1,045	228	1,507
	ACRES	31,884	0	23,483	7,669	90,721	71,805	225,562
Southern Area	FIREs	72	0	149	37	59,351	969	60,578
	ACRES	18,920	0	127,925	120,230	2,351,899	967,064	3,586,038
TOTAL FIRES:		191	118	393	111	60,481	2,015	63,309
TOTAL ACRES:		60,229	39,271	188,022	143,668	2,490,462	1,269,299	4,190,951

*** 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/>

Canadian Fires and Hectares

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTACRES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO- DATE	HECTACRES YEAR- TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	125	4,798	526	41,631
YUKON TERRITORY	7	1,197	22	5,766
ALBERTA	198	505	792	30,802
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	5	972	16	2,673
SASKATCHEWAN	47	10,442	281	52,736
MANITOBA	24	6,773	245	81,620
ONTARIO	21	16,539	296	26,253
QUEBEC	5	0	257	2,762
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	65	114
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	2	189	194
NOVA SCOTIA	2	45	123	236
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	0	0
NATIONAL PARKS	1	1,859	43	50,201
TOTALS	437	43,131	2,855	294,988

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: Hot and dry conditions are expected across the Southwest, Great Basin, and California as the high pressure ridge amplifies over the desert. A cold front moving across eastern Oregon and central Idaho may create pockets of critical fire weather conditions in the lower elevations as breezy winds and isolated convection interact with moderately low afternoon humidities. Low pressure over the Great Plains will allow for the development of scattered storms near the center of the low pressure area over Nebraska and also along a dry line that extends south through Texas. Across the East, a stationary front will allow for the development of afternoon convection across the Deep South. In Alaska, high pressure will strengthen over the Interior and will allow for continued warm and dry condition along a chance for afternoon storms.

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



Fire Shelter Deployment Site Selection

Operational Engagement Category

A primary objective of every operational fire plan is to keep firefighters out of entrapment situations. However, firefighters must always be prepared to deploy their fire shelters. The key to a successful fire shelter deployment is proper site selection. Consider the following when discussing shelter deployment site selection.

- Pick a site that will keep the fire shelter away from flames and convective heat. The site also should limit the amount of radiant heat that reaches the shelter.
- Select an area with no fuels. If that isn't possible, select a site in light fuels, such as grass, where the flaming front will pass quickly. Clear the site to mineral soil if at all possible. If time is critical, pick a site with the least fuel.
- Pick natural firebreaks (such as wet meadows; creek beds; wet, swampy areas; large rockslides with no fuels). Rough terrain in rockslides may make it difficult to seal the fire shelter to the ground.
- Areas on the lee side of ridgetops and knobs can be effective deployment sites because convective heat and flames will generally continue rising above them.
- Wide areas that have been cleared of fuel, such as dozer lines or roads, can be effective deployment sites. In larger areas, don't let truck, dozers, and other equipment occupy the best deployment sites.
- Flat areas on slopes, such as benches or road cuts, offer some protection from radiant and convective heat. Level areas like these can keep you under the path of flames and convective heat.
 - The ditch on the inside of the road, if free of fuel may be an effective deployment site on a road.
 - Consider vehicle traffic.
- Avoid areas that tend to funnel smoke, flames and hot gasses, such as:
 - Narrow draws
 - Saddles on ridgetops
 - Chimneys and chutes
- Know how long it takes to reach your safety zone. Crew supervisors should identify and communicate escape routes and safety zones.
- If you're not in a suitable shelter deployment area, keep escaping while watching for a possible deployment site.
- Ensure sites are clearly identified and marked.

Resources: [Your Fire Shelter](#), [Incident Response Pocket Guide](#), [Interagency Standards for Fire & Fire Aviation Operations](#), [Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide](#)

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