

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Saturday, September 29, 2018 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial Attack Activity:	Light (53) new fires
New large incidents:	1
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires:**	16
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

Nationally, there are 48 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	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	8	386,674	28	48	10	1,339
ONCC	2	62,409	33	62	10	1,319
OSCC	3	3,844	7	9	2	194
NRCC	6	32,255	1	2	0	43
GBCC	16	460,676	76	162	37	3,138
SWCC	1	200	0	2	0	10
RMCC	6	83,281	15	55	7	831
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	4	460	2	0	0	214
Total	46	1,029,799	162	340	66	7,088

Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires:	10
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	6
Type 1 IMT's committed:	2
Type 2 IMT's committed:	2

Roosevelt, Bridger-Teton NF. IMT 1 (Demasters). Thirty-two miles south of Jackson, WY. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with group torching, spotting and crowning. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

Pole Creek, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF. IMT 1 (McGowan). IMT is also managing the Bald Mountain incident. Twelve miles northeast of Nephi, UT. Timber. Active fire behavior with isolated torching, long-range spotting and smoldering. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

Bald Mountain, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF. Seven miles northeast of Mona, UT. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs, group torching and short-range spotting. Numerous residences and transportation and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

Prospect, Salmon-Challis NF. Thirty-one miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with uphill runs, crowning and long-range spotting. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Mirror Lake Complex (2 fires), Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF. IMT 2 (Roide). Thirteen miles east of Kamas, UT. Timber, brush and light logging slash. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting, uphill runs and torching. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Marten Creek, Bridger-Teton NF. IMT 2 (Rohrer). Thirteen miles east of Afton, WY. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with torching, backing and creeping. Road and area closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Roosevelt	WY-BTF	54,070	2,206	40	Ctn	10/10	1,160	5	30	73	11	57	16.5M	FS
Pole Creek	UT-UWF	102,104	209	68	Ctn	10/10	881	0	24	35	9	1	24.5M	FS
Bald Mountain	UT-UWF	18,608	3	76	Ctn	10/10	281	0	5	19	0	0	10M	FS
Mirror Lake Complex	UT-UWF	2,806	496	17	Ctn	10/31	229	0	4	6	5	0	1.6M	FS
Marten Creek	WY-BTF	6,483	6	90	Ctn	11/1	302	-45	7	7	6	0	4.3M	FS
Conner	ID-CAX	13,617	0	100	Ctn	---	43	-40	0	9	0	1	495K	CNTY

Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned

Prospect	ID-SCF	6,000	4,000	0	Comp	10/20	83	69	3	1	4	11	250K	FS
Bum Creek	ID-PAF	5,340	---	0	Comp	10/15	11	---	0	0	1	0	30K	FS
Lonely	UT-BRP	872	---	2	Comp	10/15	1	---	0	0	0	0	60K	NPS
Riggs	UT-DIF	1,281	---	7	Comp	10/15	12	---	0	2	0	0	290K	FS
Rabbit Foot	ID-SCF	36,004	---	82	Comp	10/23	24	---	0	2	1	0	23.9M	FS
Stewart Creek	ID-STF	5,295	---	62	Comp	10/1	4	---	0	0	0	0	13M	FS
Pistol	ID-SCF	457	---	0	Comp	10/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	8K	FS
Goshute Cave	NV-ELD	32,215	---	98	Comp	10/15	1	---	0	0	0	0	6.1M	BLM
Wapiti	ID-BOF	4,571	---	80	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	4	2.6M	FS

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Bible Back	ID-STF	3,600	---	66	Comp	10/31	5	---	0	0	1	0	500K	FS
Bear Trap	UT-UOA	12,246	---	35	Comp	10/31	2	---	0	0	0	0	1.3M	BIA
Pole Canyon	UT-FIF	360	---	80	Comp	10/31	5	---	0	1	0	0	110K	FS
Caton	ID-PAF	630	---	0	Comp	10/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	234K	FS

CAX – Cassia County BRP – Bryce Canyon National Park, NPS DIF – Dixie NF STF – Sawtooth NF PAF – Payette NF

ELD – Ely District Office, BLM BOF – Boise NF UOA – Uintah and Ouray Agency, BIA FIF – Fishlake NF

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	6
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Klondike, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. IMT 2 (Gales). Nine miles northwest of Selma, OR. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with group torching, backing and flanking. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, road, area and trail closures in effect.

Natchez, Rogue River-Siskiyou NF. Fifteen miles southeast of Cave Junction, OR. Timber, brush and hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Cougar Creek, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. Twelve miles northwest of Ardenvoir, WA. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

Miles, Umpqua NF. Five miles northeast of Trail, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with group torching, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Klondike	OR-RSF	163,724	4,340	72	Ctn	10/31	698	130	16	24	11	0	80.2M	FS
Natchez	OR-RSF	37,193	533	84	Ctn	10/15	88	-20	2	4	3	0	43.5M	FS
Cougar Creek	WA-OWF	42,712	0	81	Ctn	10/31	73	23	2	2	0	0	41.7M	FS
Miles	OR-UPF	54,334	0	82	Ctn	10/15	136	0	2	3	0	0	95.5M	FS

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Terwilliger	OR-WIF	11,445	151	80	Comp	10/31	177	3	3	5	3	0	20.4M	FS
Crescent Mountain	WA-OWF	52,609	---	86	Comp	10/22	69	---	1	1	0	0	40.7M	FS
McLeod	WA-OWF	24,411	---	91	Comp	10/1	10	---	0	0	0	0	14.2M	FS
Holman	WA-OWF	302	---	0	Comp	10/20	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Miriam	WA-OWF	3,400	---	50	Comp	9/30	4	---	0	1	0	0	14.2M	FS
Maple	WA-OLF	3,300	---	60	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	4.6M	FS
Wrong Creek	WA-MSF	423	---	0	Comp	10/15	1	---	0	0	0	0	712K	FS
Bannock Lakes	WA-OWF	497	---	0	Comp	12/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	44K	FS
Little Fork	WA-NCP	425	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	25K	NPS
Arctic Jim	WA-NCP	880	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	30K	NPS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Clear Fork	WA-GPF	121	---	25	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	478K	FS

WIF – Willamette NF OLF – Olympic NF NCP – North Cascades National Park, NPS MSF – Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF
 GPF – Gifford-Pinchot NF

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires:	3
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
NIMOs committed:	1

Ryan, Medicine Bow-Routt NF. NIMO (Quisenberry). IMT is also managing the Silver Creek incident. Twenty-seven miles northwest of Walden, CO. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with short crown runs and short-range spotting. Structures, communication infrastructure and sage-grouse habitat threatened. Evacuations and area closure in effect.

Silver Creek, Medicine Bow-Routt NF. Sixteen miles northwest of Kremmling, CO. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, flanking and backing. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Ryan	WY-MRF	21,825	194	35	Ctn	10/15	327	5	3	25	4	12	4M	FS
Silver Creek	WY-MRF	18,757	38	60	Ctn	11/1	365	-113	9	26	1	0	24.4M	FS
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Cabin Lake	CO-WRF	5,975	---	98	Comp	10/6	0	---	0	0	0	0	13.1M	FS
Horse	CO-SJF	705	---	70	Comp	10/10	56	---	1	2	1	0	2.9M	FS
Bull Draw	CO-UPD	36,520	---	95	Comp	10/8	46	---	1	1	1	1	12M	BLM
Weston Pass	CO-PSF	13,023	---	98	Comp	9/30	5	---	0	1	0	1	9.7M	FS
Cache Creek	CO-WRF	2,703	---	55	Comp	10/7	0	---	0	0	0	1	6.3M	FS

WRF – White River NF SJF – San Juan NF UPD – Uncompahgre Field Office, BLM PSF – Pike-San Isabel NF

Northern California Area (PL 3)

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

Delta, Shasta-Trinity NF. IMT 2 (Coots) mobilizing. Two miles north of Lakehead, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, group torching and spotting. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

* **Wilson**, Lassen NF. Four miles east of Mill Creek, CA. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Road closures in effect. 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			
Delta	CA-SHF	62,159	393	97	Ctn	10/5	914	132	19	37	8	45	51.1M	FS

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														
* Wilson	CA-LNF	250	---	50	Comp	09/30	405	---	14	25	2	0	300K	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

New fires: 3
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Rattlesnake Creek, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF. Ten miles southwest of Riggins, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area closure in effect.

Howe Ridge, Glacier National Park, NPS. Ten miles north of West Glacier, MT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Boundary, Glacier National Park, NPS. Forty-two miles northeast of Whitefish, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area and trail closures in effect. 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				
Rattlesnake Creek	ID-NCF	8,220	0	89	Ctn	11/1	23	0	1	0	0	26.2M	FS	
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Howe Ridge	MT-GNP	14,522	0	80	Comp	11/1	13	0	0	1	0	27	13.8M	NPS
Boundary	MT-GNP	2,911	0	85	Comp	10/16	0	0	0	0	0	0	922K	NPS
Juliet	MT-FNF	2,519	1	0	Comp	10/21	2	0	0	0	0	0	40K	FS
Stadium	MT-FNF	285	35	0	Comp	10/31	1	0	0	0	0	0	15K	FS
Brownstone	MT-FNF	4,071	1	0	Comp	10/1	6	-2	0	0	0	0	65K	FS
Rampike	ID-IPF	3,100	0	0	Comp	11/30	15	0	0	1	0	0	1M	FS
Gold Hill	MT-KNF	6,602	---	50	Comp	11/1	4	---	0	1	0	0	16M	FS
Surprise Creek	ID-IPF	3,300	---	78	Comp	10/12	2	---	0	0	0	0	2.5M	FS
Bacon Rind	MT-CGF	5,232	---	26	Comp	10/15	49	---	1	5	0	0	3.9M	FS
Davis	MT-KNF	6,614	---	50	Comp	10/31	4	---	0	0	0	0	13.2M	FS
Moose Creek	MT-HLF	425	---	0	Comp	10/31	3	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
Smith Creek	ID-IPF	1,115	---	0	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	300K	FS
Cougar	ID-IPF	7,871	---	85	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	5M	FS
Copper Mountain	ID-IPF	473	---	23	Comp	10/31	2	---	0	0	0	0	2M	FS
Beaver Creek	MT-BDF	2,090	---	35	Comp	10/15	9	---	0	0	0	0	1M	FS

KNF – Kootenai NF IPF – Idaho Panhandle NF BDF – Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF FNF – Flathead NF
 CGF – Custer-Gallatin NF HLF – Helena-Lewis and Clark NF

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	14
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2

Charlie, Los Angeles County. Two miles east of Castaic, CA. Chaparral and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Road and area closures in effect.

Oak, Merced-Mariposa Unit, Cal Fire. Four miles northeast of Ahwahnee, CA. Brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Charlie	CA-LAC	3,380	0	95	Ctn	9/30	112	-48	3	5	2	0	3.2M	CNTY
Oak	CA-MMU	360	0	98	Ctn	9/29	49	-177	0	4	0	0	2M	ST
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Indian	CA-YNP	104	---	0	Comp	12/01	33	---	2	1	0	0	35K	NPS

YNP – Yosemite NP

Southwest Area (PL 1)

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

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Rhino	AZ-COF	856	---	60	Comp	11/30	1	---	0	0	0	0	70K	FS
Cat	AZ-KNF	4,591	---	0	Comp	11/15	35	---	0	1	0	0	610K	FS

KNF – Kaibab NF COF – Coconino NF

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	1	1	0	0	3	1	6
	ACRES	1	14	0	0	4	1	20
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	7	2	9
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	670	672
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	14	0	14
	ACRES	0	0	0	17	16	0	33
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	7	2	10
	ACRES	0	50	0	0	0	4,001	4,051
Southwest Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	2	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	546	548
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
TOTAL FIRES:		1	4	0	0	40	8	53
TOTAL ACRES:		1	64	0	17	26	5,221	5,329

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	120	0	0	202	32	354
	ACRES	0	362,459	0	0	46,024	63	408,546
Northwest Area	FIREs	297	232	34	36	1,295	818	2,712
	ACRES	25,339	272,938	4,744	4,332	157,995	351,847	817,197
Northern California Area	FIREs	70	21	3	34	2,453	400	2,981
	ACRES	3,707	2,886	7	42,981	743,634	518,606	1,311,821
Southern California Area	FIREs	42	70	5	47	3,182	359	3,705
	ACRES	707	1,515	5	11,740	42,815	158,974	215,757
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	775	57	4	17	742	442	2,037
	ACRES	7,285	929	2,938	20,149	20,430	75,177	126,908
Great Basin Area	FIREs	38	902	4	35	1,052	512	2,543
	ACRES	19,451	1,113,590	0	847	507,088	601,540	2,242,517
Southwest Area	FIREs	696	239	9	58	797	1,253	3,052
	ACRES	33,060	5,475	426	17,550	293,195	177,565	527,271
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	417	518	9	37	895	459	2,335
	ACRES	4,211	138,293	1,713	282	368,430	207,079	720,009
Eastern Area	FIREs	464	0	19	25	4,329	367	5,204
	ACRES	4,155	0	1,035	190	27,639	7,241	40,260
Southern Area	FIREs	442	67	41	57	23,321	346	24,274
	ACRES	118,199	310	8,682	21,040	1,164,756	28,813	1,341,801
TOTAL FIRES:		3,241	2,226	128	346	38,268	4,988	49,197
TOTAL ACRES:		216,115	1,898,397	19,550	119,111	3,372,008	2,126,908	7,752,091

Ten Year Average Fires (2008 – 2017 as of today)	52,616
Ten Year Average Acres (2008 – 2017 as of today)	5,925,564

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	2	0	0	3	5
	ACRES	0	0	9	0	0	202	211
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	1	5	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	32	735	767
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	1	0	0	0	131	0	132
	ACRES	100	0	0	0	579	0	679
TOTAL FIRES:		1	0	2	0	132	8	143
TOTAL ACRES:		100	0	9	0	611	937	1,657

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	28	31	24	9	0	176	268
	ACRES	5,891	5,785	5,010	416	0	49,653	66,755
Northern California Area	FIREs	2	3	9	16	1	128	159
	ACRES	12	1,792	5,627	1,938	35	18,067	27,471
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	2	3	2	0	130	137
	ACRES	0	90	405	48	0	12,622	13,165
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	12	16	40	3	7	159	237
	ACRES	3,766	12,505	10,526	12,203	397	22,714	62,111
Great Basin Area	FIREs	2	20	4	5	31	76	138
	ACRES	75	2,287	40	1,867	2,444	23,143	29,856
Southwest Area	FIREs	14	15	7	4	8	150	198
	ACRES	4,052	12,963	204	836	804	86,518	105,377
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	34	40	26	9	87	117	313
	ACRES	2,980	4,710	15,597	263	9,597	51,859	85,006
Eastern Area	FIREs	57	0	217	29	1,143	245	1,691
	ACRES	32,016	0	29,930	7,669	119,189	73,311	262,115
Southern Area	FIREs	75	0	167	29	69,357	992	70,620
	ACRES	19,100	0	141,226	120,642	2,445,587	975,609	3,702,164
TOTAL FIREs:	224	127	500	106	70,645	2,174	73,776	
TOTAL ACRES:	67,892	40,132	208,621	145,882	2,614,211	1,313,566	4,390,305	

*** 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 Service Discussion: A rapidly weakening low pressure system will move on shore and into northern California and Oregon, bringing widespread showers to both states. To the southeast of this system, a breezy southwesterly flow will be present across the Great Basin as the surface pressure gradients strengthen. Temperatures will climb to 10 degrees above average, resulting in very low humidities in the afternoon across the Intermountain West. Active fire behavior is expected across the region on existing fires. Elsewhere, easterly flow will continue across Montana and portions of northeastern Wyoming. In the East, a quiet westerly flow is expected with near average temperatures.

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



Fuel Handling

Miscellaneous Fireline Hazards

Fuel Handling – Watch Out for “Normalization”

There is an apprehension that the safety concerns surrounding the use of gasoline in firefighting operations can get “normalized”. In firefighting, we use gasoline for a variety of applications, including: pumps, chainsaws, vehicles, drip torches, etc.

“Normalization” of hazards or risks is when we get comfortable around these hazards and take shortcuts without consequence. After a while, we can get so comfortable with these shortcuts that we forget about the original mitigation to reduce the hazard or risk.

1. What do we use gasoline for in our firefighting operations?
2. What risks are associated with our uses of flammable liquids?
3. What mitigations or procedures are in place for handling fuel?
4. What can you do to prevent being sprayed or doused in gasoline from gas tank pressure?
5. What should you do to extinguish someone who is on fire?

Check out [this new RLS from 2017](#) that spotlights

14 instances

of fuel igniting incidents reported in the past

5 years and discusses drip torch burn injuries.



Day of burn injury



5 Days after burn injury

Chainsaw Operators:

Watch this short safety video for information on preventing fuel leakage, identification of potential vapor lock/tank pressurization, mitigation measures for vapor lock/tank pressurization, and reporting procedures for future occurrences: [Chainsaw Safety](#).

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