

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Saturday, August 3, 2019 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (134 new fires)
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires:**	13
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

Nationally, there are 77 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.

[Link](#) to Understanding the IMSR.

One RC-26 aircraft with Distributed Real-Time Infrared (DRTI) capability and support personnel from the 141st Air Refueling Wing (Washington Air National Guard) have been deployed to Fairbanks, AK in support of wildland fire operations in Alaska.

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	12	1,182,804	29	8	7	960
NWCC	10	26,328	84	106	43	2,751
ONCC	2	14,280	11	19	1	479
OSCC	7	944	24	37	4	851
NRCC	9	15,661	19	40	16	973
GBCC	13	26,205	11	29	5	449
SWCC	10	30,725	8	20	3	401
RMCC	3	758	4	2	0	84
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	3	7,552	0	2	0	18
Total	69	1,305,256	190	263	79	6,966

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
New large incidents:	3
Uncontained large fires:	5
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

* **Williams Flats**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (NW Team 8). Five miles southeast of Keller, WA. Timber, brush and tall grass. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, short crown runs and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

* **Sulphur**, Washington State Fire Marshal's Office. Started on private land six miles southeast of Connell, WA. Brush and tall grass. Active fire behavior with running. Residences threatened.

MP 97, South Unit, Oregon DOF. IMT 1 (ODF Team 3). One mile south of Canyonville, OR. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with group torching, uphill runs and smoldering. Numerous residences threatened.

* **E Evans Creek Fire**, Medford Unit, Oregon DOF. Ten miles northwest of Sams Valley, OR. Timber, chaparral and brush. Active fire behavior with running, spotting and torching. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Devore Creek, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. NIMO (Phoenix). Three miles southwest of Stehekin, WA. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and single tree torching. Trail closures in effect.

Left Hand, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (NW Team 7). Seventeen miles northwest of Naches, WA. Timber and hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Williams Flats	WA-COA	1,540	---	0	Ctn	8/16	64	---	1	1	6	0	150K	BIA
* Sulphur	WA-WFS	1,000	---	0	Ctn	8/3	0	---	0	0	0	0	75K	PRI
MP 97	OR-732S	13,085	15	45	Ctn	8/18	1,514	32	51	47	18	0	13M	ST
* E Evans Creek Fire	OR-711S	350	---	10	Ctn	8/15	208	---	6	13	7	1	750K	ST
Devore Creek	WA-OWF	180	30	0	Comp	11/30	85	6	2	0	3	0	402K	FS
Left Hand	WA-OWF	3,406	-5	70	Ctn	8/15	598	-54	15	23	8	0	7.4M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Kusshi Creek	WA-YAA	953	---	80	Comp	UNK	81	---	2	8	1	0	850K	BIA

YAA – Yakama Agency, BIA

Northern Rockies (PL 2)

New fires:	15
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

North Hills, Central Land Office, Montana DNR. IMT 2 (NR Team 3). IMT is also managing the Nevada Creek incident. Started on BLM land 12 miles north of Helena, MT. Timber and medium logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area closures in effect.

* **Nevada Creek**, Helena-Lewis and Clark NF. Ten miles southwest of Lincoln, MT. Timber and light logging slash. Active fire behavior with group torching, short crown runs and short-range spotting. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Beeskove, Lolo NF. Eight miles northeast of Missoula, MT. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and uphill runs. Area and trail closures in effect.

Ridgetop, Petroleum County. Fifty-five miles north of Winnett, MT. Timber, brush and short grass. Extreme fire behavior. Structures threatened.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
North Hills	MT-CES	5,019	123	80	Ctn	8/3	316	-85	3	19	0	0	5.7M	BLM
* Nevada Creek	MT-HLF	40	---	0	Comp	UNK	105	---	4	0	6	0	500K	FS
Beeskove	MT-LNF	251	19	0	Ctn	8/31	250	38	6	0	7	0	1.9M	FS
Ridgetop	MT-LG55	4,500	3,500	0	Ctn	8/7	95	53	2	12	1	0	389K	CNTY
Moss Ranch	MT-FHA	5,310	0	100	Ctn	---	82	-20	1	4	1	0	550K	BIA
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Barren Hill	ID-NCF	351	---	0	Comp	10/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	FS

FHA – Flathead Agency, BIA NCF – Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF

Alaska Area (PL 2)

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

Chalkyitsik Complex (4 fires), Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. IMT 2 (AK Green Team). Fifteen miles east of Chalkyitsik, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened.

Cornucopia Complex (9 fires), Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. NIMO (Portland). Twenty-five miles west of Fort Yukon, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Chalkyitsik Complex	AK-UYD	501,629	0	58	Comp	8/31	374	-22	13	0	3	2	9.4M	N/A
Cornucopia Complex	AK-UYD	93,724	749	74	Comp	8/31	224	-18	6	0	0	0	8.8M	N/A
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Swan Lake	AK-KKS	102,229	0	80	Comp	8/31	39	-7	1	0	2	0	25.2M	FWS
Grouse Creek	AK-TAD	49,121	-2,879	55	Comp	8/10	49	-20	1	0	1	0	2.3M	BLM
Rainbow 2	AK-DAS	19,757	0	43	Comp	12/31	117	-1	6	0	0	0	2.6M	ST

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Garnet Creek	AK-TAD	8,073	-970	60	Comp	8/10	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	TRI
Hess Creek	AK-UYD	189,369	---	75	Comp	UNK	64	---	0	7	1	3	3M	ST
Hodatic River	AK-GAD	11,169	---	0	Comp	8/29	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	FWS
East Stoney River	AK-SWS	2,246	---	0	Comp	9/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	7K	ST
Pete Andrews Creek	AK-SWS	5,485	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	338K	TRI
Jump Peak	AK-SWS	2,207	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	8K	TRI
Beaver	AK-MID	14,316	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	2	345K	PRI
Swift Creek	AK-SWS	3,288	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	9K	ST
Chilchitna Headwaters	AK-SWS	304	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	9K	ST
Horn Foothills	AK-SWS	3,907	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	ST
Page Mountain	AK-SWS	46,897	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	218K	ST
Sunshine Mountains	AK-SWS	21,850	---	8	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	ST
Holokuk Ridge	AK-SWS	447	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
Tundra Lake	AK-SWS	1,051	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	130K	TRI
Hoholitna	AK-SWS	548	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Beaver House Hill	AK-SWS	420	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	TRI
Devil's Elbow	AK-SWS	8,126	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	51K	ST
Little Titnuk	AK-SWS	2,966	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Door Mountains	AK-SWS	3,660	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	ST
Swift River	AK-SWS	839	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	4K	ST
Molybdenum Mountains	AK-SWS	659	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	ST
Stony River Flats	AK-SWS	372	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	4K	BLM
Aghaluk Creek	AK-SWS	1,513	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	55K	TRI
Iditarod River	AK-SWS	446	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	BLM
Fuller Creek	AK-SWS	8,549	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	19K	BLM
Cotton Village	AK-SWS	757	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Old Grouch Top	AK-SWS	307,969	---	0	Comp	9/2	0	---	0	0	0	0	28K	ST
Little Kasigluk	AK-SWS	4,409	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	2K	FWS
Chetaslina	AK-CRS	2,125	---	0	Comp	8/30	16	---	0	0	1	0	168K	NPS
Tokaina 2	AK-CRS	1,100	---	0	Comp	8/31	11	---	0	0	0	0	60K	ST
Garfield Creek	AK-GAD	414	---	0	Comp	8/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	ST
Wolf Creek Mountain	AK-GAD	674	---	0	Comp	8/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FWS
North River	AK-GAD	110,451	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	40K	BLM
McArthur Creek	AK-TAS	25,174	---	1	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	1	510K	ST
South Fork Buckland River	AK-GAD	3,237	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	BLM
Kugruk River 1	AK-GAD	2,707	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	BLM
Buckland 3	AK-GAD	2,338	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM

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Kateel River	AK-GAD	1,887	---	0	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Koyuk River	AK-GAD	892	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
East Fork Dennison	AK-TAS	400	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	ST

KKS – Kenai-Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF TAD – Tanana Zone, BLM DAS – Delta Area, Alaska DOF GAD – Galena Zone, BLM

MID – Military Zone, BLM SWS – Southwest Area, Alaska DOF CRS – Valdez-Copper River Area, Alaska DOF

TAS – Tok Area, Alaska DOF

Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires:	24
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	2

Alaska, Unita-Wasatch-Cache NF. Three miles southeast of Provo, UT. Brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Trail closures in effect.

Spud, Twin Falls District, BLM. Ten miles southeast of Carey, ID. Brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

* **Park Ridge**, Fishlake NF. Fifty-three miles southeast of Richfield, UT. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing and creeping. 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			
Alaska	UT-UWF	489	0	50	Ctn	10/15	107	-8	4	3	1	0	615K	FS
Spud	ID-TFD	4,889	2,389	75	Ctn	8/3	48	1	0	9	1	0	200K	BLM
* Park Ridge	UT-FIF	120	---	25	Comp	9/15	35	---	1	1	0	0	120K	FS
Bailey Creek	NV-ELD	104	0	100	Ctn	---	65	1	2	1	2	0	400K	BLM
Canyon	ID-BOF	326	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-7	0	0	0	0	2.4M	FS
* Peavey	ID-TFD	464	---	100	Ctn	---	14	---	0	3	0	0	50K	BLM

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Peavine Canyon	UT-MLF	3,904	0	10	Comp	8/15	91	15	3	3	0	0	1.8M	FS
Poison Canyon	UT-MLF	1,105	0	0	Comp	8/15	32	0	1	1	0	0	168K	FS
Shady	ID-SCF	3,931	---	0	Comp	10/31	24	---	1	2	0	0	155K	FS
Skull Flat	UT-FIF	1,630	---	85	Comp	9/1	5	---	0	1	0	0	1.7M	FS
Mammoth	UT-MLF	260	---	10	Comp	10/1	31	---	1	0	0	0	75K	FS

ELD – Ely District, BLM BOF – Boise NF MLF – Manti-La Sal NF SCF – Salmon-Challis NF

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	16
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Tucker, Modoc NF. IMT 2 (CA Team 10). Three miles northeast of Tionesta, CA. Timber, brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures, energy infrastructure and sage-grouse habitat threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Tucker	CA-MDF	14,150	-67	95	Ctn	8/4	450	-80	10	17	1	0	3.3M	FS

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 18
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 2

Museum, Coconino NF. One mile north of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber and logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Bagnal, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. One mile east of Show Low, AZ. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior.

Castle, Kaibab NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-two miles northwest of North Rim, AZ. Timber. Active fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and backing. Area and road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Museum	AZ-COF	1,961	0	92	Ctn	8/15	103	-56	1	3	1	0	9.5M	FS
Bagnal	AZ-ASF	2,243	0	50	Ctn	8/5	21	0	1	2	0	0	45K	FS
Castle	AZ-KNF	11,600	800	59	Comp	9/15	152	-42	2	9	1	0	2.9M	FS

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Huck	AZ-SCA	11,784	0	95	Comp	UNK	10	-2	0	2	0	0	150K	BIA
Cedar	AZ-TNF	575	---	90	Comp	8/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
White Springs	AZ-FTA	2,880	---	50	Comp	8/15	2	---	0	0	0	0	500K	BIA
Roberts	NM-CIF	5,020	---	0	Comp	8/30	4	---	0	1	0	0	1.1M	FS
Bear	NM-GNF	832	---	71	Comp	8/10	0	---	0	0	0	0	350K	FS
Newman	AZ-COF	4,907	---	75	Comp	8/3	5	---	0	0	0	0	1M	FS
Black	NM-GNF	1,235	---	74	Comp	UNK	1	---	0	0	0	0	40K	FS
Skid	NM-GNF	165	---	41	Comp	UNK	1	---	0	0	0	0	25K	FS

SCA – San Carlos Agency, BIA TNF – Tonto NF FTA – Fort Apache Agency, BIA CIF – Cibola NF GNF – Gila NF

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 14
 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	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Black Ranch	TX-TXS	754	-246	100	Ctn	---	0	-26	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Buckhorn Ranch	TX-TXS	356	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-9	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

TXS – Texas A&M Forest Service

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 11
New large incidents: 0
Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Total	Chge				Crw	Eng	Heli					
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
441	CO-SJF	325	---	10	Comp	8/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	174K	FS
Reveille	CO-PSF	219	---	5	Comp	8/30	4	---	0	0	0	0	2.6M	FS

SJF – San Juan NF PSF – Pike and San Isabel 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	0	1	0	0	10	6	17
	ACRES	0	82	0	0	4	3	89
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	14	2	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	8	0	8
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	17	1	18
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	16	31	47
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	3	0	0	0	3	9	15
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	2	57	60
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	10	0	0	3	11	24
	ACRES	0	5,713	0	0	31	46	5,790
Southwest Area	FIREs	4	1	0	0	2	11	18
	ACRES	2	0	0	0	72	1,201	1,275
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	5	0	0	3	3	11
	ACRES	0	2	0	0	14	0	16
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southern Area	FIREs	1	0	1	0	11	1	14
	ACRES	1	0	35	0	20	90	146
TOTAL FIRES:		8	17	1	0	64	44	134
TOTAL ACRES:		4	5,798	35	0	168	1,428	7,433

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	233	0	0	328	28	589
	ACRES	0	1,614,276	0	0	767,658	10	2,381,944
Northwest Area	FIREs	170	96	8	9	763	315	1,361
	ACRES	4,040	25,355	84	1	2,435	2,851	34,766
Northern California Area	FIREs	13	18	3	2	1,404	178	1,618
	ACRES	11	540	23	1	19,736	15,354	35,666
Southern California Area	FIREs	9	61	7	9	2,133	204	2,423
	ACRES	97	259	2,726	5	13,504	3,231	19,823
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	575	18	10	2	417	204	1,226
	ACRES	10,213	207	1,424	0	6,252	1,999	20,096
Great Basin Area	FIREs	15	403	3	19	475	205	1,120
	ACRES	20	89,592	1	8	121,993	13,465	225,078
Southwest Area	FIREs	532	152	7	20	458	578	1,747
	ACRES	51,153	5,774	11	1,179	21,847	250,656	330,620
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	165	182	1	9	309	171	837
	ACRES	1,341	1,337	5,048	29	14,456	7,907	30,119
Eastern Area	FIREs	301	0	8	29	3,326	270	3,934
	ACRES	569	0	52	520	25,775	5,568	32,484
Southern Area	FIREs	215	0	32	41	11,535	208	12,031
	ACRES	22,199	0	1,458	2,192	187,113	13,128	226,089
TOTAL FIRES:		1,995	1,163	79	140	21,148	2,361	26,886
TOTAL ACRES:		89,643	1,737,340	10,827	3,936	1,180,770	314,170	3,336,685

Ten Year Average Fires (2009 – 2018 as of today)	39,031
Ten Year Average Acres (2009 – 2018 as of today)	4,007,877

***Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments.

***Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <https://gacc.nifc.gov/>

Canadian Fires and Hectares

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO- DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	5	17	690	12,679
YUKON TERRITORY	0	2,818	108	252,877
ALBERTA	2	36	888	869,317
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	3,140	132	78,085
SASKATCHEWAN	0	148	220	44,679
MANITOBA	2	4	245	101,416
ONTARIO	13	124	333	264,740
QUEBEC	3	0	230	10,180
NEWFOUNDLAND	4	0	74	690
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	143	184
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	96	126
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	9
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	65	109,803
TOTALS	31	6,287	3,225	1,744,784

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: Scattered monsoonal convection will continue across the Four Corner states, Wyoming, eastern Idaho and Montana, as the high pressure ridge remains stationary over the Four Corners and continues to pump moisture northward into central Canada. Storms will be mostly wet except along the western fringes where they will be dry. Isolated dry storms will be possible across portions of the southern Sierra, but they should be focused over the higher terrain where fuels are not as receptive. In the East, a trough of low pressure will remain entrenched over areas east of the Mississippi River. A stalled frontal boundary will lead to scattered storms up and down the East Coast from New England south to Florida. In Alaska, a cold front will sweep east across the state bringing widespread showers. West winds will become breezy in the afternoon.

<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:

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide, PMS 210](#)

Additional Resources:

[Incident Management Situation Report \(IMSR\)](#)

[Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\), PMS 461](#)

[NWCG Standards for Helicopter Operations, PMS 510](#)

[RT-130, Wildland Fire Safety Training Annual Refresher \(WFSTAR\)](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations \(Red Book\)](#)

[Wildland Fire Lessons Learned Center](#)

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