

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, August 21, 2019 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (115 new fires)
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires:***	19
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Nationally, there are 30 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.

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	5	170,262	11	30	3	536
NWCC	8	67,369	17	38	2	674
ONCC	1	225	1	1	0	23
OSCC	4	6,356	10	25	2	408
NRCC	11	12,150	17	15	7	556
GBCC	14	37,808	15	43	9	714
SWCC	13	48,387	6	35	4	504
RMCC	2	1,435	1	4	4	92
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	22	30,913	0	56	4	286
Total	80	374,905	78	247	35	3,793

Alaska Area (PL 3)

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

Swan Lake, Kenai Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 1 (GB Team 1). Started on FWS land five miles northeast of Sterling, AK. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with creeping and flanking. The communities of Sterling and Cooper Landing and numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

McKinley, Mat-Su Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (AK Green Team). Started on private land 18 miles north of Willow, AK. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with backing, single tree torching and group torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

* **Deshka Landing**, Mat-Su Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (NW Team 10) mobilizing. Seven miles southwest of Willow, AK. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and single tree torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Swan Lake	AK-KKS	140,949	13,240	20	Comp	8/31	230	174	4	10	2	0	25.3M	FWS
McKinley	AK-MSS	4,349	2,349	5	Ctn	8/26	201	100	3	19	0	80	160K	PRI
* Deshka Landing	AK-MSS	1,800	---	5	Ctn	8/31	46	---	1	1	0	0	32K	ST
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Tokaina 2	AK-CRS	2,930	---	0	Comp	9/30	18	---	1	0	1	0	433K	ST
Lloyd Mountain	AK-TAD	34,433	---	0	Comp	UNK	8	---	0	0	0	0	1.1M	ST
Hess Creek	AK-UYD	189,369	---	75	Comp	9/1	24	---	0	0	0	3	3M	ST
Grouse Creek	AK-TAD	49,121	---	90	Comp	UNK	24	---	0	0	0	0	2.3M	BLM
Garnet Creek	AK-TAD	8,073	---	90	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	TRI

CRS – Valdez-Copper River Area, DOF TAD – Tanana Zone, BLM UYD – Upper Yukon Zone, BLM

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	33
New large incidents:	3
Uncontained large fires:	8
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1

Copper Breaks, Texas A&M Forest Service. IMT 1 (SA Red Team). Started on private land 11 miles northwest of Crowell, TX. Brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching and smoldering. Residences threatened.

* **Nolke**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land eight miles northwest of Mertzon, TX. Brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs. Residences threatened.

* **Vivian**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land three miles west of Crowell, TX. Brush and tall grass. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs. Residences threatened.

* **Rocking Chair Ranch**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Twenty-four miles southeast of San Angelo, TX. Brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs.

Caverns Road, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 75 miles south of San Angelo, TX. Brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Bird Ranch, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land six miles west of Paducah, TX. Brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering.

Side Oats, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 10 miles southwest of Paducah, TX. Brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering.

Caney Mountain Trail, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles southeast of Snow, OK. Timber. No new information.

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		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Copper Breaks	TX-TXS	8,380	0	58	Ctn	8/23	62	0	0	11	1	0	243K	PRI
* Nolke	TX-TXS	3,000	---	10	Ctn	8/26	39	---	0	2	1	0	NR	PRI
* Vivian	TX-TXS	2,500	---	0	Ctn	8/24	21	---	0	3	1	0	NR	PRI
* Rocking Chair Ranch	TX-TXS	400	---	50	Ctn	8/23	8	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Caverns Road	TX-TXS	2,409	0	95	Ctn	8/21	18	-1	0	4	1	0	NR	PRI
Bird Ranch	TX-TXS	9,931	0	80	Ctn	8/22	9	-14	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Side Oats	TX-TXS	350	0	95	Ctn	8/21	1	-16	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Caney Mountain Trail	OK-OKS	575	---	40	Ctn	UNK	33	---	0	15	0	0	22K	ST

Great Basin Area (PL 2)

New fires:	23
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	4

Nethker, Payette NF, USFS. Thirty miles northeast of McCall, ID. Timber and closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and spotting. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Cove Creek, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Twenty-seven miles northwest of Salmon, ID. Timber and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and isolated torching. Structures threatened. Trail closures in effect.

Avintaquin Ridge, Uintah and Ouray Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles southeast of Fruitland, UT. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with group torching, creeping and single tree torching.

* **Geothermal**, Cassia County. Three miles southwest of Bridge, ID. Brush and short grass. Extreme fire behavior with running. Energy infrastructure and sage-grouse habitat threatened.

Little Bear, Dixie NF, USFS. Previously reported incident. Seven miles southeast of Hatch, UT. Timber. Active fire behavior with running, torching and spotting. 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				
Nethker	ID-PAF	2,355	0	98	Ctn	10/1	98	-224	3	4	1	0	11.8M	FS
Cove Creek	ID-SCF	4,900	6	65	Ctn	8/30	80	66	2	3	2	0	4.1M	FS
Avintaquin Ridge	UT-UOA	111	0	80	Ctn	8/23	16	2	0	1	1	0	300K	BIA

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		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
* Geothermal	ID-CAX	1,100	---	80	Ctn	8/21	57	---	0	6	1	0	200K	CNTY
Little Bear	UT-DIF	1,360	470	0	Comp	9/14	32	0	1	2	0	0	85K	FS
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Trumbull	AZ-ASD	2,478	268	0	Comp	9/5	51	-21	1	2	1	0	210K	BLM
Mammoth	UT-MLF	560	10	50	Comp	10/1	66	4	2	3	0	0	140K	FS
Chippean	UT-MLF	227	---	85	Comp	10/1	78	---	2	0	1	0	988K	FS
Park Ridge	UT-FIF	186	--	35	Comp	9/15	15	---	0	2	0	0	120K	FS
Shady	ID-SCF	4,109	---	0	Comp	10/31	6	---	0	1	0	0	170K	FS

ASD – Arizona Strip District, BLM MLF – Manti-La Sal NF, USFS FIF – Fishlake NF, USFS

Northwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	11
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

* **204 Cow**, Malheur NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 9) mobilizing. Seventeen miles southwest of Unity, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and group torching. Structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

Williams Flats, Colville Agency, BIA. Five miles southeast of Keller, WA. Timber, closed timber litter and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and single tree torching. Structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

163 HK Complex (2 fires), Umatilla NF, USFS. Fifteen miles north of Monument, OR. Timber, brush and light logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and isolated torching. Area and road 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			
* 204 Cow	OR-MAF	600	---	0	Comp	10/15	1	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FS
Williams Flats	WA-COA	44,515	0	90	Ctn	8/25	395	-25	9	21	1	3	17.6M	BIA
163 HK Complex	OR-UMF	2,387	0	95	Ctn	8/31	66	0	2	1	0	0	6.5M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Granite Gulch	OR-WWF	2,700	---	0	Comp	10/31	13	---	0	0	1	0	150K	FS
South Fork Creek	WA-OWF	160	---	10	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	FS
Devore Creek	WA-OWF	450	---	0	Comp	11/30	3	---	0	0	0	0	1.1M	FS

WWF – Wallowa-Whitman NF, USFS OWF – Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS

Southwest Area (PL 2)

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

Boulin, Kaibab NF, USFS. Previously reported incident. Twenty-four miles northwest of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and smoldering. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Sheridan, Prescott NF, USFS. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles northwest of Prescott, AZ. Timber, brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with running, group torching and uphill runs. Area closures in effect. 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	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Boulin	AZ-KNF	3,800	380	50	Comp	9/15	37	0	1	3	0	0	100K	FS
Sheridan	AZ-PNF	3,481	781	0	Comp	9/1	138	25	2	6	2	0	407K	FS
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Ikes	AZ-GCP	5,112	118	66	Comp	9/15	93	1	1	8	1	0	1.5M	NPS
Saber	AZ-COF	2,093	543	45	Comp	9/15	75	0	1	3	0	0	250K	FS
Rawhide	NM-LNF	8,549	---	60	Comp	8/31	12	---	0	2	0	0	385K	FS
Cueva	NM-SNF	1,011	---	60	Comp	8/31	37	---	1	2	0	0	68K	FS
Castle	AZ-KNF	19,368	---	96	Comp	9/15	32	---	0	4	0	0	4.6M	FS
Pemberton	AZ-PNF	1,173	---	0	Comp	UNK	72	---	0	6	1	0	318K	FS
Black	NM-GNF	1,235	0	100	Comp	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	40K	FS

GCP – Grand Canyon NP, NPS COF – Coconino, NF, USFS LNF – Lincoln NF, USFS SNF – Santa Fe NF, USFS
GNF – Gila NF, USFS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
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			
Gaines	CA-MMU	1,300	0	100	Ctn	---	28	-164	0	2	0	0	2.7M	ST
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Springs	CA-INF	3,029	410	37	Comp	9/1	248	-15	9	9	1	0	3.5M	FS

MMU – Merced-Mariposa Unit, Cal Fire INF – Inyo NF, USFS

Northern Rockies (PL 2)

New fires:	5
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Victor, Rosebud County. Started on private land 20 miles south of Ashland, MT. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing and spotting. Structures threatened. 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			
Victor	MT-LG29	1,100	-400	50	Ctn	8/22	19	6	0	3	1	0	25K	PRI
Sage	MT-CMR	5,992	0	100	Ctn	---	27	0	1	1	0	0	685K	FWS
Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Beeskove	MT-LNF	430	0	72	Comp	8/31	53	-5	1	1	1	0	7M	FS
Horsefly	MT-HLF	1,352	2	56	Comp	9/30	94	0	2	2	1	0	5.8M	FS
Crab	ID-NCF	198	0	20	Comp	10/31	68	-1	1	1	0	0	2.4M	FS
Snow Creek	MT-FNF	1,815	---	0	Comp	10/31	25	---	0	0	0	0	55K	FS
Barren Hill	ID-NCF	581	---	0	Comp	10/31	8	---	0	0	0	0	15K	FS

CMR – Charles M. Russell NWR, FWS

LNF – Lolo NF, USFS

HLF – Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS

NCF – Nez-Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS

FNF – Flathead NF, USFS

Rocky Mountain (PL 1)

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

Tannerite, Pinedale Field Office, BLM. Six miles east of Pinedale, WY. Brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping. Residences threatened. Road and 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			
Tannerite	WY-PDD	1,340	0	70	Ctn	8/30	91	-4	1	4	4	1	1.6M	BLM

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	100	0	100
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	3	8	11
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1.5	566	568
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	13	3	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	1	0	16	0	17
	ACRES	0	0	1	0	1,330	425	1,756
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	2	2	5
	ACRES	125	0	0	0	2	47	173
Great Basin Area	FIREs	1	7	0	0	12	3	23
	ACRES	0	325	0	0	388	328	1,041
Southwest Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	0	2	3
	ACRES	2	0	0	0	0	65	67
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	2	0	3
	ACRES	21	0	0	0	2	0	23
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	33	0	33
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,067	0	1,067
TOTAL FIRES:		3	8	1	0	85	18	115
TOTAL ACRES:		148	325	1	0	2,892	1,431	4,797

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	233	0	0	376	39	648
	ACRES	0	1,712,756	0	0	802,410	14	2,515,180
Northwest Area	FIREs	197	155	11	10	968	645	1,986
	ACRES	14,705	27,936	86	1	2,537	8,756	54,022
Northern California Area	FIREs	17	27	4	5	1,769	305	2,127
	ACRES	12	1,840	25	1	22,056	15,409	39,343
Southern California Area	FIREs	10	67	9	14	2,495	237	2,832
	ACRES	97	414	2,727	6	15,337	6,898	25,479
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	669	31	15	8	596	351	1,670
	ACRES	10,557	814	1,431	35	8,324	4,702	25,863
Great Basin Area	FIREs	26	542	8	23	628	304	1,531
	ACRES	133	203,205	18	8	138,637	24,580	366,580
Southwest Area	FIREs	565	168	9	38	510	672	1,962
	ACRES	50,298	5,816	41	5,616	23,003	281,851	366,624
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	219	231	1	9	365	201	1,026
	ACRES	2,030	3,053	5,048	29	16,556	8,013	34,728
Eastern Area	FIREs	301	0	8	30	3,420	280	4,039
	ACRES	569	0	52	520	25,900	5,576	32,617
Southern Area	FIREs	229	0	33	43	12,709	216	13,230
	ACRES	22,431	0	2,483	2,303	290,335	13,119	330,671
TOTAL FIRES:		2,233	1,454	98	180	23,836	3,250	31,051
TOTAL ACRES:		100,831	1,955,834	11,912	8,520	1,345,095	368,917	3,791,108

Ten Year Average Fires (2009 – 2018 as of today)	43,272
Ten Year Average Acres (2009 – 2018 as of today)	5,047,283

***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	8	3	839	21,318
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	110	252,902
ALBERTA	2	0	946	882,596
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	145	101,416
SASKATCHEWAN	0	84	227	47,248
MANITOBA	1	0	275	101,475
ONTARIO	5	2	459	266,805
QUEBEC	3	0	289	10,410
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	85	775
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	158	191
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	119	131
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	0	0
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	70	117,825
TOTALS	21	89	3,722	1,803,091

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: A strong cold front will move southeast into the Pacific Northwest and the Northern Rockies, bringing cooler temperatures as it flattens out the Four Corners High located over the Southwest. Breezy westerly winds will accompany the front's passage, which could lead to critical fire weather conditions across portions of southeastern Oregon and the northern Great Basin as the winds encounter low humidity. The passing front will also induce a northerly flow across portions of southwestern Oregon and northern California. Isolated monsoonal storms will be possible across New Mexico, Colorado, northern Texas and western Oklahoma in the afternoon. While storms are expected to be wet, they will likely not be heavy precipitation producers.

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



Constructing Line Without a Safe Anchor Point

Operational Engagement Category

When deciding where to build fireline, the following considerations must be weighed:

- Can you hold the line without the fire hooking under/around you? How do you protect against losing the line and ensure your safety if there is a danger of the fire hooking around you?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route. Who has the responsibility to designate them and continue to make sure they are adequate?
- Can you develop your starting point into an anchor point? List some good anchor points. Describe how you would develop your starting point into an anchor point.
- Have you posted good lookouts? Where should the lookout(s) be posted? Who can be a lookout?
- Do you have good communications? Who do you need to be in contact with? If the communications are not good, what can you do to improve them?
- To reduce the risks, start the line in another location. Talk about fires where you have had to relocate the line because your anchor point did not hold the fire.
- Do you have a lookout posted? Can they see the main fire?
- How have you mitigated Watchout Situation #8?

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)

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