

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, July 5, 2019 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (227) new fires
New large incidents:	6
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires:**	9
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there are 49 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.

Five wildland fire suppression crews and one Interagency Resource Representative (IARR) are assigned to support large fires in Alberta, Canada.

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	23	343,128	61	36	22	2,119
NWCC	2	290	4	22	0	194
ONCC	2	693	2	7	0	88
OSCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	6	4,583	4	35	5	223
SWCC	17	174,383	20	33	9	848
RMCC	3	2,787	2	5	2	85
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	8	5,894	0	46	4	203
Total	61	531,760	93	184	42	3,760

Alaska Area (PL 4)

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

Shovel Creek, Fairbanks Area Zone, Alaska DOF. IMT 1 (PNW Team 2). Twenty miles northwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences and communication infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, road and trail closures in effect.

Swan Lake, Kenai-Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (NW Team 13). Started on FWS land six miles northeast of Sterling, AK. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with spotting, single and group tree torching. Numerous residences and structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Boundary River, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Started on Native corporation land 37 miles southeast of Tok, AK. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, backing and smoldering. Residences threatened.

Hess Creek, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on state land 29 miles northeast of Steven's Village, AK. Timber and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior with backing and creeping. Residences and structures threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Christian River, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Started on Native corporation land 43 miles northeast of Venetie, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior.

Caribou Creek, Fairbanks Area Zone, Alaska DOF. Twenty miles northeast of North Pole, AK. Timber and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Foraker, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on NPS land 148 miles southwest of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Black River, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Fifty-three miles northeast of Circle, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior. Residences threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Tractor Trail 2, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on state land 20 miles southwest of Chalkyitsik, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

North River, Galena Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Thirty-two miles northeast of Koyuk, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Old Grouch Top, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Sixty miles northwest of McGrath, AK. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and single tree torching. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Hurst Creek, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Twenty five miles southeast of Ophir, AK. Timber and grass. Moderate fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Little Crazy Mountain, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on FWS land 43 miles northwest of Central, AK. Timber and hardwood litter. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, running and backing. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Wilderness, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Sixty-four miles southwest of Manley Hot Springs, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Marr, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Fifty miles west of Circle, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, running and creeping. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Frozen Calf, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on FWS land twenty-five miles northeast of Chalkyitsik, AK. Timber and hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with isolated torching, running and backing. Communication infrastructure threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Bergman Creek, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Twenty-eight miles southwest of Allakaket, AK. Timber and hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Beaver, Military Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on private land 15 miles southeast of Pleasant Valley, AK. Timber, brush and tall grass. Active fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Kateel River, Galena Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Thirty-six miles southeast of Buckland, AK. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Bearnose Hill, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on Native corporation land 10 miles southeast of Chalkyitsik, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, wind-driven runs and backing. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Page Mountain, Southwest Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles northwest of McGrath, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing and creeping. 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			
Shovel Creek	AK-FAS	10,008	0	12	Ctn	07/30	734	22	19	19	7	0	8M	ST
Swan Lake	AK-KKS	89,700	11,968	69	Comp	08/31	480	29	13	7	4	0	11.1M	FWS
Boundary River	AK-TAS	15,050	50	0	Ctn	07/25	143	-10	5	0	4	0	1.7M	TRI
Christian River	AK-UYD	107	0	90	Ctn	07/06	37	-20	1	0	0	0	365K	TRI
Caribou Creek	AK-FAS	257	-53	80	Ctn	07/13	105	-2	4	0	2	0	3.9M	ST
* Buckland 1	AK-GAD	1,541	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	25K	BLM

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

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Kateel River	AK-GAD	1,887	1,202	0	Comp	09/01	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Bearnose Hill	AK-UYD	1,744	1,544	0	Comp	07/31	38	38	2	0	0	0	28K	TRI
Lloyd Mountain	AK-TAD	20,026	0	0	Comp	07/31	20	7	1	0	0	0	191K	ST
Page Mountain	AK-SWS	2,482	2,281	0	Comp	07/31	0	0	0	0	0	0	42K	ST
Chandalar River	AK-UYD	2,005	0	0	Comp	07/31	56	20	2	0	0	0	98K	FWS
Hadweenziec River	AK-UYD	27,161	0	0	Comp	07/31	8	0	0	0	0	0	269K	FWS
McArthur Creek	AK-TAS	22,000	0	0	Comp	07/30	11	9	0	0	0	0	400K	ST
Yukon Charley	AK-UYD	1,049	-3,751	0	Comp	07/31	0	0	0	0	0	0	2K	NPS
Little Kasigluk	AK-SWS	3,782	141	0	Comp	08/08	0	0	0	0	0	0	1K	FWS
Kugruk River 1	AK-GAD	2,707	0	0	Comp	09/01	0	0	0	0	0	0	15K	BLM
South Fork Buckland River	AK-GAD	3,237	734	0	Comp	09/30	0	0	0	0	0	0	10K	BLM
Buckland 3	AK-GAD	2,338	0	0	Comp	09/30	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Bakbuk Creek	AK-SWS	776	0	0	Comp	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	2K	ST
Koyuk River	AK-GAD	892	292	0	Comp	09/30	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Biederman Bluff	AK-UYD	208	-142	0	Comp	07/31	0	0	0	0	0	0	10K	FWS
Snowshoe Creek	AK-TAD	339	122	0	Comp	07/31	0	0	0	0	0	0	6K	ST
Nugget Creek	AK-FAS	6,900	---	0	Comp	10/01	4	---	0	0	0	0	5K	ST
Victoria Mountain	AK-UYD	1,440	---	0	Comp	07/31	8	---	0	0	0	0	34K	BLM
East Fork Dennison	AK-TAS	400	---	0	Comp	07/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	ST

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires: 10
 New large incidents: 5
 Uncontained large fires: 4
 Type 2 IMTs Committed: 1

Miller, Coronado NF. IMT 2 (SW Team 4). Seven miles west of Cloverdale, NM. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Residences threatened.

Wagonbed, Gila NF. Twelve miles south of Winston, NM. Brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and single tree torching.

Pine Lodge, Lincoln NF. Five miles northwest of Arabella, NM. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Van Valer, Coronado NF. Eighteen miles southwest of Pima, AZ. Brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

* **Orme**, Prescott NF. Seven miles east of Dewey-Humboldt, AZ. Brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior. Road closures in effect.

* **South**, Gila NF. Started on BLM land 25 miles north of Mimbres, NM. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Blue River**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Seven miles southeast of Alpine, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Woodrow**, Gila NF. Started on BLM land 16 miles northeast of Buckhorn, NM. Timber. Moderate fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Little**, Gila NF. Twenty-six miles northwest of Pinos Altos, NM. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Whiting, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Twelve miles west of Springerville, AZ. Timber. Active fire behavior with spotting and backing. 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			
Miller	AZ-CNF	5,723	1,223	1	Comp	07/15	275	124	6	7	4	0	950K	FS
Wagonbed	NM-GNF	445	0	40	Ctn	07/07	102	-26	4	0	1	0	600K	FS
Pine Lodge	NM-LNF	15,044	0	52	Ctn	08/01	82	-45	2	4	1	3	6.3M	FS
Van Valer	AZ-CNF	530	-154	90	Ctn	07/07	37	-21	1	2	1	0	860K	FS
* Orme	AZ-PNF	1,200	---	5	Ctn	07/09	0	---	0	0	0	0	100K	FS
Gap	AZ-SCA	16,711	0	100	Ctn	---	42	-18	1	2	0	0	820K	BIA
San Rafael	AZ-A3S	438	0	100	Ctn	---	1	-163	0	0	0	0	7K	ST

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* South	NM-GNF	780	---	0	Comp	07/15	1	---	0	0	0	0	2K	BLM
* Blue River	AZ-ASF	745	---	10	Comp	07/31	49	---	2	2	0	0	20K	FS
* Woodrow	NM-GNF	348	---	0	Comp	07/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	3K	BLM
* Little	NM-GNF	312	---	0	Comp	07/15	1	---	0	0	0	0	4K	FS
Whiting	AZ-ASF	1,546	1,120	5	Comp	07/18	99	23	3	6	1	0	85K	FS
Black	NM-GNF	530	380	0	Comp	07/15	1	0	0	0	0	0	6K	FS
Woodbury	AZ-TNF	123,875	0	90	Comp	07/15	94	-137	1	5	1	0	24M	FS
Lone Mountain	NM-LNF	3,631	---	90	Comp	07/15	5	---	0	1	0	0	295K	FS
Gurule	NM-CAF	2,360	---	90	Comp	UNK	30	---	0	3	0	0	465K	FS
Coleman	AZ-ASF	990	0	100	Comp	---	4	-24	0	1	0	0	60K	FS

SCA San Carlos Agency, BIA A3S Southeast District, Arizona DOF TNF Tonto NF CAF Carson NF

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	73
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	0

Perchman, National Forests in Florida. Three miles west of Welaka, FL. Southern rough and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior. Residences and structures threatened.

Two Alpha (6), Florida Forest Service. Eight miles west of Parkland, FL. Tall grass. Active 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			
Perchman	FL-FNF	1,300	450	50	Ctn	07/08	26	-3	0	6	4	0	80K	FS

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
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Whitney	GA-CIP	383	37	40	Comp	07/13	65	7	0	4	1	0	202K	NPS
Two Alpha (6)	FL-FLS	4,000	3,650	15	Comp	07/05	4	-3	0	2	0	0	2K	ST

CIP Cumberland Island National Seashore, NPS

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 16
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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														
East	CA-MNF	410	0	55	Comp	07/31	46	0	2	0	0	0	1.4M	FS

MNF Mendocino NF

Great Basin Area (PL 1)

New fires: 24
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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														
Skull Flat	UT-FIF	1,517	0	50	Comp	07/12	143	-2	4	5	1	0	902K	FS

FIF Fishlake NF

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 8
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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														
Doe Canyon	CO-SJF	2,560	0	85	Comp	07/15	30	-13	2	1	0	0	436K	FS

SJF San Juan NF

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	ACRES	0	8,884	0	0	8,754	0	17,638
Northwest Area	FIREs	5	9	0	0	17	12	43
	ACRES	1	2	0	0	32	4	39
Northern California Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	13	2	16
	ACRES	2	0	0	0	288	0	290
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	41	2	44
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	50	0	50
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	1	2	4	7
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	6	0	0	17	1	24
	ACRES	0	142	0	0	92	40	274
Southwest Area	FIREs	1	2	0	0	2	5	10
	ACRES	0	31	0	0	10	4,451	4,492
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	2	2	0	0	3	1	8
	ACRES	0	16	0	0	50	179	245
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	73	0	73
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	3,714	0	3,714
TOTAL FIRES:		9	20	0	1	169	28	227
TOTAL ACRES:		3	9,075	0	0	12,992	4,674	26,744

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	149	0	0	197	19	365
	ACRES	0	422,501	0	0	249,500	6	672,007
Northwest Area	FIREs	164	42	7	5	471	154	843
	ACRES	3,329	19,370	83	1	2,039	874	25,697
Northern California Area	FIREs	10	6	2	2	934	101	1,055
	ACRES	11	24	0	1	9,583	831	10,450
Southern California Area	FIREs	8	47	3	5	1,438	122	1,623
	ACRES	17	93	2,565	5	10,187	850	13,717
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	484	10	10	2	222	92	820
	ACRES	4,831	132	1,424	0	6,128	682	13,198
Great Basin Area	FIREs	9	139	0	11	219	50	428
	ACRES	17	4,262	0	8	3,525	1,647	9,459
Southwest Area	FIREs	370	106	7	12	341	331	1,167
	ACRES	18,407	5,103	11	1,138	14,320	199,931	238,911
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	101	78	1	5	188	90	463
	ACRES	787	155	5,048	0	14,233	5,995	26,218
Eastern Area	FIREs	300	0	8	27	2,712	235	3,282
	ACRES	569	0	52	520	25,047	5,541	31,729
Southern Area	FIREs	188	0	24	39	9,950	196	10,397
	ACRES	22,129	0	846	2,152	154,173	13,008	192,309
TOTAL FIRES:		1,634	577	62	108	16,672	1,390	20,443
TOTAL ACRES:		50,099	451,641	10,029	3,825	488,737	229,367	1,233,699

Ten Year Average Fires (2009 – 2018 as of today)	31,320
Ten Year Average Acres (2009 – 2018 as of today)	2,430,598

***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/>

Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week (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	1	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	128	0	0	0	128
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	220	220
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	21	21
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	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	508	508
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	1	0	1	4	6
	ACRES	0	0	5	0	15	137	157
TOTAL FIRES:		1	0	2	1	479	5	488
TOTAL ACRES:		2,500	0	133	71	9,081	891	12,676

***Prescribed fire acres are for reference only and may not reflect the most up-to-date information.

***Official prescribed fire accomplishment reporting occurs through agency specific systems of record.

Canadian Fires and Hectares

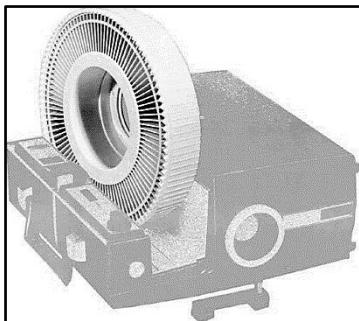
PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	8	0	486	11,310
YUKON TERRITORY	1	3,854	52	73,564
ALBERTA	1	0	712	804,325
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	46	4,694
SASKATCHEWAN	2	10	168	1,260
MANITOBA	4	509	175	55,243
ONTARIO	13	24,518	200	101,144
QUEBEC	4	59	118	5,732
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	59	83
NEW BRUNSWICK	1	0	121	166
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	92	107
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	9
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	32	558
TOTALS	35	28,950	2,262	1,058,194

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: The upper level low pressure area over the Pacific Northwest will continue to produce showers and wet storms across the Northern Rockies. On shore flow will keep humidities at noncritical levels along the West Coast. Isolated storms developing in the afternoon could spark an increase in initial attach across southeastern Oregon and northeastern California. Monsoonal flow over the Southwest will be restricted mostly to New Mexico though southeastern Arizona could see a few wet storms as well. High pressure over south central Alaska will strengthen further and will extend its reach northwest well into Siberia. Most of the state will continue to see very warm temperatures and low humidities, especially the western Interior. While convective activity is not expected to be a problem, the heat and dryness will be the challenge of the day.

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

This Week of Remembrance is dedicated to all those who have fallen in the line of duty and is intended to serve as an opportunity to renew our commitment to the health, wellness, and safety of wildland firefighters.



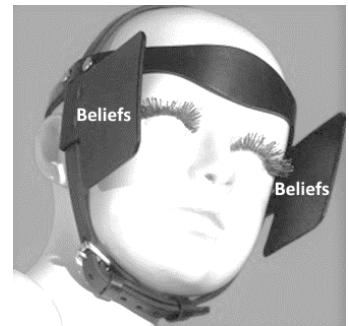
We love the Slide Tray analogy, which stems from the model of Recognition Primed Decision making (RPD). It supports our fascination with experience. For many of us THE way to be a good firefighter is having lots and lots of experience because it gives you more slides to pull from out on the fireline.

Another view is that slides can sometimes be problematic. Slides can lead you to short cuts taking in a situation and quickly equating it with a previous experience (a slide). This could theoretically lead to you seeing what you expect to see rather than what is actually there. This view would have you focus on critical thinking or mindfulness intentionally trying to remain in the current moment and avoiding the slide dilemma.

Are these two views really at odds with one another?

Consider these quotes (comments on this blog post: [Are Your Slides Blinding You?](#))

To say we need to let go of the RPD model is akin to saying we should stop breathing or we should never have tunnel vision. As Daniel Kahneman a leading expert in human cognition pointed out in his book Thinking, Fast and Slow, our intuition (System1, as he termed it) is just there. In the context of RPD, we cannot stop making slides and we cannot stop reacting to them it's how our minds work. Kahneman was at first skeptical of RPD, so he invited Gary Klein, prime originator of the model, to work with him. Kahneman concluded that with one caveat, the model does reflect the reality of our minds, and the working of System 1. (His System 2 is the analytical as opposed to the intuitive aspect.) The caveat is that those who operate in RPD must be highly experienced and trained in their field exactly what the fire service demands. **Peter Leschak**



Mindfulness, in my mind anyway, is about not letting RDP become the path of least resistance (i.e., complacency). Murphy's Law preys on the complacent. Mindfulness is about staying switched on, even in routine tactical situations and believing that Murphy is waiting just around that boulder or in the top of a tree.

When time and space run out, you want RPD on your side. The right combination of slides from experience, training, and planning on autopilot fueled by cortisol and adrenaline will save your life. You want to nurture your RPD abilities. Think of this as working on your short game.

For most wildland fire decisions, you also want to be more deliberate. As your RPD slides pop up and offer you a viable solution take the next step of validating that. What could go wrong with that? Weather change? How far to a medevac? What would Murphy do? **Mark Smith**

Action: As a group, discuss Slides and Critical Thinking (Mindfulness) as it relates to:

- ❑ The Yarnell Hill Fire
- ❑ The Willow Rappel Fatality
- ❑ The South Canyon Fire

Supporting Materials:

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How can YOU Honor through Learning?