

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, October 23, 2019 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

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| Initial attack activity: | Light (44 new fires) |
| New large incidents: | 1 |
| Large fires contained: | 1 |
| Uncontained large fires:*** | 5 |
| Area Command teams committed: | 0 |
| NIMOs committed: | 0 |
| Type 1 IMTs committed: | 1 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 1 |

Nationally, there are 7 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 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NWCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| ONCC | 1 | 3,434 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 138 |
| OSCC | 3 | 14,782 | 3 | 21 | 0 | 227 |
| NRCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| GBCC | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 38 |
| SWCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RMCC | 4 | 11,507 | 16 | 41 | 9 | 952 |
| EACC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SACC | 6 | 2,788 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 64 |
| Total | 15 | 32,513 | 25 | 71 | 11 | 1,419 |

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

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

Decker, Rio Grande NF, USFS. IMT 1 (GB Team 2). Nine miles south of Salida, CO. Timber and light logging slash. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

Cow Creek, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison NF, USFS. IMT 2 (RM Blue Team). Nine miles east of Ridgeway, CO. Timber, brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, 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 | | | |
| Decker | CO-RGF | 8,797 | 74 | 75 | Comp | 12/20 | 576 | -36 | 10 | 25 | 4 | 4 | 20.5M | FS |
| Cow Creek | CO-GMF | 853 | 50 | 0 | Ctn | 12/1 | 263 | 55 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1.3M | FS |
| Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Middle Mamm | CO-WRF | 1,235 | --- | 34 | Comp | 11/20 | 23 | --- | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3.6M | FS |
| Granite Lake | CO-WRF | 720 | --- | 2 | Comp | 12/1 | 3 | --- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 225K | FS |

WRF – White River NF, USFS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

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| New fires: | 22 |
| New large incidents: | 0 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 3 |

Saddle Ridge, Los Angeles City Fire Department. Started on USFS land five miles northwest of San Fernando, CA. Tall grass, brush and chaparral. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures threatened.

Briceburg, Merced-Mariposa Unit, Cal Fire. Eight miles north of Mariposa, CA. Brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior. Area and road closures in effect.

Real, Santa Barbara County Fire Department. Twelve miles north of Goleta City, CA. Brush and tall grass. No new information.

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|---------------|--------|-------|------|------------|--------------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| Saddle Ridge | CA-LFD | 8,799 | 0 | 97 | Ctn | 10/23 | 200 | 0 | 3 | 19 | 0 | 24 | 28.8M | FS |
| Briceburg | CA-MMU | 5,563 | 0 | 99 | Ctn | 10/23 | 19 | -46 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 16M | ST |
| Real | CA-SBC | 420 | --- | 90 | Ctn | UNK | 8 | --- | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 730K | C&L |

Northern California Area (PL 2)

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| New fires: | 9 |
| New large incidents: | 0 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 1 |

Caples, Eldorado NF, USFS. Eighteen miles southwest of South Lake Tahoe, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and flanking. Area, 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 | | | |
| Caples | CA-ENF | 3,434 | 0 | 80 | Ctn | 10/31 | 138 | -2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 6M | FS |
| Large Fires Being Managed With a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South | CA-SHF | 5,332 | --- | 75 | Comp | 10/31 | 1 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10M | FS |

SHF – Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS

Great Basin Area (PL 1)

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| 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 |
|--|--------|-------|------|------------|--------------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | 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 2 | UT-FIF | 450 | --- | 0 | Comp | 11/7 | 5 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3K | FS |
| Swasey Peak | UT-RID | 103 | --- | 0 | Comp | 11/30 | 1 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20K | FS |

FIF – Fishlake NF, USFS RID – Richfield Field Office, BLM

Southwest Area (PL 1)

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| New fires: | 0 |
| New large incidents: | 0 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 0 |

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | 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 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Ikes | AZ-GCP | 16,400 | --- | 80 | Comp | 12/1 | 20 | --- | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3.9M | NPS |

GCP – Grand Canyon NP, NPS

Southern Area (PL 1)

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| New fires: | 8 |
| New large incidents: | 1 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 0 |

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|---------------|--------|-------|------|------------|--------------|-----|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| * M&M | TX-TXS | 392 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 24 | --- | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | NR | PRI |

TXS – Texas A&M Forest Service

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 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Northern California Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 9 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 12 |
| Southern California Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 | 2 | 22 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 2 | 14 |
| 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 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 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 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| | 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 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 8 |
| | ACRES | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 73 | 0 | 78 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 5 | 44 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 97 | 3 | 105 |

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

| Area | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|--------------------------|-------|----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Alaska Area | FIRES | 0 | 243 | 0 | 0 | 416 | 44 | 703 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 1,692,467 | 0 | 0 | 884,548 | 13 | 2,577,028 |
| Northwest Area | FIRES | 234 | 231 | 19 | 29 | 1,899 | 1,040 | 3,452 |
| | ACRES | 49,940 | 43,930 | 23,491 | 6 | 20,867 | 25,347 | 163,582 |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 53 | 47 | 4 | 7 | 2,633 | 491 | 3,235 |
| | ACRES | 28 | 5,656 | 25 | 1 | 34,535 | 88,607 | 128,853 |
| Southern California Area | FIRES | 24 | 86 | 11 | 21 | 3,490 | 364 | 3,996 |
| | ACRES | 269 | 2,831 | 2,729 | 107 | 24,914 | 23,616 | 54,466 |
| Northern Rockies Area | FIRES | 750 | 47 | 22 | 15 | 831 | 475 | 2,140 |
| | ACRES | 12,081 | 952 | 10,026 | 116 | 37,520 | 11,611 | 72,306 |
| Great Basin Area | FIRES | 40 | 754 | 8 | 34 | 878 | 491 | 2,205 |
| | ACRES | 172 | 248,247 | 13 | 447 | 153,231 | 51,711 | 453,822 |
| Southwest Area | FIRES | 641 | 205 | 14 | 54 | 601 | 872 | 2,387 |
| | ACRES | 56,282 | 6,826 | 69 | 17,921 | 28,968 | 326,427 | 436,494 |
| Rocky Mountain Area | FIRES | 271 | 322 | 2 | 12 | 570 | 360 | 1,537 |
| | ACRES | 1,955 | 21,631 | 5,097 | 29 | 35,386 | 30,060 | 94,159 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 301 | 0 | 25 | 31 | 4,024 | 317 | 4,698 |
| | ACRES | 569 | 0 | 971 | 520 | 30,433 | 5,140 | 37,633 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 262 | 0 | 36 | 46 | 18,993 | 314 | 19,651 |
| | ACRES | 22,729 | 0 | 2,549 | 2,320 | 410,155 | 21,013 | 458,768 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 2,576 | 1,935 | 141 | 249 | 34,335 | 4,768 | 44,004 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 144,026 | 2,022,540 | 44,970 | 21,467 | 1,660,560 | 583,548 | 4,477,114 |

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| Ten Year Average Fires (2009 – 2018 as of today) | 53,949 |
| Ten Year Average Acres (2009 – 2018 as of today) | 6,478,512 |

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

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

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 | 6 | 11 | 17 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 438 | 347 | 785 |
| Northern California Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 376 | 376 |
| 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 | 5 | 5 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 273 | 273 |
| 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 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| | ACRES | 305 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 365 |
| Rocky Mountain Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 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 | 5 | 0 | 5 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 22 | 34 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 305 | 1 | 0 | 60 | 443 | 996 | 1,805 |

***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.

Predictive Services Discussion: The top weather issue of the day remains the dry conditions and local terrain-influenced winds in California. Weak to locally-moderate offshore Santa Ana winds in Southern California will continue today, with wind speeds gusting between 15 and 25 mph. The wind speeds will increase overnight, however, to as high as 40 to 65 mph by Thursday morning. Further north, the easterly Mono winds of central California will build through the day to reach gusts of 30 to 45 mph by late afternoon. These strong winds coincide with hot temperatures and relative humidities ranging from the teens in central California down to the high single digits in the south. Accordingly, Red Flag Warnings are in effect for these parts of California today for hot, dry, and windy conditions.



No Communication Link

Fire Communication Category

Watchout Situation #7 is a danger that must be mitigated by maintaining good communications while working on fires. Firefighters must constantly ask themselves the following questions as situations change on the fireline:

- Can communication(s) be established?
 - Talk about how communications are set up on fires, including the variables that have to be considered.
 - Review situations where communications were a problem and what was done to fix the problem.
 - Do you need a repeater setup or can an experienced firefighter act as a human repeater?
- Is the communication triangle complete?
 - Review the communication triangle, and where it comes up in the "10 Standard Fire Orders" and the "18 Watchout Situations."
 - Discuss ways that firefighters can maintain the communication triangle on the fireline.
- Reduce the risks
 - If the situation is complex, wait until communications are in place.
 - Talk about the fires where crews had to leave the line, didn't go out on the line, or something negative happened because communications were inadequate. Discuss what was done to establish communications.
 - Discuss possible scenarios in which communications could be disrupted, and possible solutions.

Resources:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire & Fire Aviation Operations](#)

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide](#)

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