

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, August 20, 2021– 0730 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 5**

**National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Light (80 fires)
New large incidents:	1
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires: ***	88
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed	15
Type 2 IMTs committed:	20

Nationally, there are 49 fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

\*\*\*Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

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Two MAFFS C-130 airtankers and support personnel each from the 152<sup>nd</sup> Airlift Wing (Nevada Air National Guard), two MAFFS unit from the 302<sup>nd</sup> Airlift Wing (Colorado Air Force Reserve), one MAFFS unit from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing (Wyoming Air National Guard) and one from the 146<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing (California Air National Guard) have been deployed to McClellan, CA to support wildland fire operations nationally.

One RC-26 aircraft with Distributed Real-Time Infrared (DRTI) capability and support personnel from the 141<sup>st</sup> Air Refueling Wing (Washington Air National Guard) have been deployed to Fairchild, WA. One RC-26 aircraft with Distributed Real-Time Infrared (DRTI) capability and support personnel from the 162<sup>nd</sup> Operations Group (Arizona Air National Guard) have been deployed to Eugene, OR in support of wildland fire operations. Also supporting these aircraft are eight ground controllers from multiple U.S. Air National Guard squadrons.

One Boeing 737 airtanker from New South Wales, Australia is supporting fire suppression efforts in the western United States.

Active Incident Resource Summary							
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	0	10,359	0	0	0	0	-24
NWCC	38	1,090,725	188	537	73	8,974	-215
ONCC	11	1,289,284	169	854	65	11,263	856
OSCC	4	7,600	20	47	10	852	473
NRCC	35	705,403	58	287	42	4,225	-52
GBCC	10	93,646	13	17	12	652	-262
SWCC	1	1,296	0	1	0	7	0
RMCC	4	19,731	4	42	3	301	22
EACC	4	5,128	4	45	1	299	108
SACC	0	0	0	0	0	0	-22
<b>Total</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>3,223,174</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>1,830</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>26,573</b>	<b>884</b>

#### **Northern California Area (PL 5)**

New fires:	19
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	10
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	6
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

**Dixie**, Butte Unit, Cal Fire. Unified command between IMT 1 (Cal Fire Team 3) and IMT 1 (CA Team 1). Fifteen miles northeast of Paradise, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs, group torching and short-range spotting. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Caldor**, Eldorado NF, USFS. IMT 1 (Cal Fire Team 6). Sixteen miles northeast of Plymouth, CA. Timber, light slash and brush. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting and torching. Several communities and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Monument**, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. Unified command between IMT 1 (Cal Fire Team 5) and IMT 1 (AK Team 1). One mile southwest of Del Loma, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, torching and short-range spotting. Several communities and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**McFarland**, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 10). Four miles southeast of Wildwood, CA. Timber, chaparral and closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs and spotting. Several communities and infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Antelope**, Klamath NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 4). IMT 1 (SA Red Team) mobilizing. Twenty miles northeast of McCloud, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, torching and spotting. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**River Complex** (3 fires), Klamath NF, USFS. NIMO (Team 3) and IMT 2 (CA Team 15). Nine miles southwest of Etna, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with backing, uphill runs and spotting. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**McCash**, Six Rivers NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 3). Fourteen miles northeast of Somes Bar, CA. Timber, brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, running and short-range spotting. Several communities and communication infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Lava**, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. Four miles east of Weed, CA. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area and road closures in effect.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Dixie	CA-BTU	699,666	37,019	35	Ctn	9/30	5,696	-286	74	463	19	1,224	297M	ST
Caldor	CA-ENF	68,630	6,044	0	Ctn	8/31	1,118	517	18	109	13	104	8.1M	FS
Monument	CA-SHF	136,379	7,766	10	Ctn	9/1	1,583	694	25	128	11	32	24.3M	FS
McFarland	CA-SHF	113,328	2,312	51	Ctn	9/2	728	97	12	57	8	2	24.7M	FS
Antelope	CA-KNF	64,426	3,792	30	Ctn	9/30	892	64	19	40	2	17	19.3M	FS
River Complex	CA-KNF	64,314	11,243	10	Ctn	10/1	733	-73	12	38	10	0	15.8M	FS
McCash	CA-SRF	7,659	871	0	Ctn	9/29	360	22	5	6	3	0	5.8M	FS
Lava	CA-SHF	26,409	0	85	Ctn	9/1	5	0	0	1	0	23	35.3M	FS

#### **Northwest Area (PL 5)**

New fires:	3
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	38
Type 1 IMTs committed:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	10

**Schneider Springs**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. IMT 2 (EA Silver Team). IMT 1 (PNW Team 2) mobilizing. IMT is also managing the Windy Pass incident. Twenty-one miles northwest of Tieton, WA. Short grass, timber and brush. Extreme fire behavior with uphill runs, running and flanking. Several communities and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Windy Pass**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. Eleven miles southwest of Cle Elum, WA. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Walker Creek**, Northeast Region, DNR. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (NR Team 6) to IMT 2 (RM Blue Team) will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Chickadee Creek incident. Four miles northwest of Wauconda, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior with single tree torching, short-range spotting and wind-driven runs. Several communities and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Chickadee Creek**, Northeast Region, DNR. Sixteen miles northwest of Tonasket, WA. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with single tree torching, short-range spotting and wind-driven runs.

**Ford Corkscrew**, Northeast Region, DNR. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). Eleven miles south of Springdale, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, isolated torching and spotting. Several communities and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Rough Patch Complex** (5 fires), Umpqua NF, USFS. IMT 1 (GB Team 2). IMT is also managing the Jack incident and Devil's Knob Complex. Eighteen miles southwest of Oakridge, OR. Closed timber litter and timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, uphill runs and torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Jack**, Umpqua NF, USFS. Thirty-one miles east of Roseburg, OR. Closed timber litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with torching, backing and creeping. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Devil's Knob Complex** (4 fires), Umpqua NF, USFS. Twenty miles northeast of Azalea, OR. Timber and medium slash. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, uphill runs and group torching. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Fox Complex** (2 fires), Fremont-Winema NF, USFS. IMT 1 (ODF Team 3). Fourteen miles west of Lakeview, OR. Timber, short grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Summit Trail**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (NW Team 10). IMT is also managing the Upper Lime Creek incident. Seventeen miles west of Inchelium, WA. Timber and light slash. Active fire behavior with flanking, creeping and torching. Numerous structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**Upper Lime Creek**, Colville Agency, BIA. Six miles northwest of Keller, WA. Timber and light slash. No new information.

**Middle Fork Complex** (2 fires), Willamette NF, USFS. IMT 1 (PNW Team 3). IMT is also managing the Knoll incident. Nine miles northeast of Oakridge, OR. Closed timber litter and timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Knoll**, Willamette NF, USFS. Seven miles northeast of McKenzie Bridge, OR. Timber, closed timber litter and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Muckamuck**, Colville NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 2). IMT is also managing the Cub Creek 2, Cedar Creek and Delancy incidents. Four miles northwest of Conconully, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with group torching, short-range spotting and creeping. Several communities threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cub Creek 2**, Southeast Region, DNR. Five miles north of Winthrop, WA. Short grass, closed timber litter and timber. Active fire behavior with single tree torching, short-range spotting and creeping. Several communities and infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cedar Creek**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. Fifteen miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. Timber, brush and short grass. Active fire behavior with single tree torching, short-range spotting and creeping. Several communities threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Delancy**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. Fifteen miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. Timber, short grass and closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Green Ridge**, Umatilla NF, USFS. IMT 2 (RM Team Black). Thirty miles east of Walla Walla, WA. IMT is also managing the Lick Creek incident. Short grass, timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, single tree torching and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Lick Creek**, Umatilla NF, USFS. Fifteen miles southeast of Pomeroy, WA. Short grass, hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Black Butte**, Malheur NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 6). Thirty-six miles southeast of John Day, OR. Timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Whitmore**, Colville Agency, BIA. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (NW Team 12) back to the local unit will occur today. Twenty-seven miles northeast of Bridgeport, WA. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Infrastructure threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**Skyline Ridge Complex** (3 fires), South Unit, ODF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (ODF Team 1) back to the local unit will occur today. Five miles southeast of Days Creek, OR. Timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with backing, smoldering and creeping.

**Twenty-five Mile**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1). Twelve miles northwest of Chelan, WA. Timber, grass and brush. Extreme fire behavior with uphill runs, group torching and long-range spotting. Numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bulldog Mountain**, Colville NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 7). IMT is also managing the Mack Mountain incident. Sixteen miles northwest of Kettle Falls, WA. Heavy slash and timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Mack Mountain**, Colville NF, USFS. Fifteen miles north of Kettle Falls, WA. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bull Complex**, Mt. Hood NF, USFS. IMT 2 (GB Team 4) mobilizing. Twenty-five miles northeast of Mill City, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with backing, creeping and single tree torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Twin Peaks**, Vale District, BLM. Thirteen miles northwest of McDermitt, NV. Brush, short grass and tall grass. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Moraine Lake**, North Cascades National Park, NPS. Thirty-one miles northeast of Darrington, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, 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			
Schneider Springs	WA-OWF	63,500	31,632	0	Ctn	10/1	432	-68	11	25	6	0	7.5M	FS
Windy Pass	WA-OWF	82	0	90	Ctn	UNK	21	-19	1	0	0	0	1.5M	FS
Walker Creek	WA-NES	23,184	607	3	Ctn	11/15	529	11	11	42	0	6	9.2M	ST
Chickadee Creek	WA-NES	4,861	3,408	11	Ctn	10/15	207	13	5	4	0	0	1.4M	FS
Ford Corkscrew	WA-NES	15,019	1,019	14	Ctn	8/31	243	32	3	29	0	53	2.5M	ST
Rough Patch Complex	OR-UPF	17,433	2,445	3	Ctn	10/31	335	30	7	9	5	0	7.2M	FS
Jack	OR-UPF	23,731	28	51	Ctn	10/31	339	0	9	18	4	0	35.6M	FS
Devils Knob Complex	OR-UPF	17,089	1,371	15	Ctn	10/15	673	46	19	43	3	1	13.9M	FS
Fox Complex	OR-FWF	7,419	57	39	Ctn	8/28	948	-51	26	54	12	4	6.2M	FS
Summit Trail	WA-COA	45,881	3	37	Ctn	10/31	393	0	4	15	5	0	28M	BIA
Upper Lime Creek	WA-COA	382	---	95	Ctn	9/8	29	---	1	1	0	0	450K	BIA
Middle Fork Complex	OR-WIF	13,611	65	7	Ctn	10/15	557	7	8	17	4	0	15.9M	FS
Knoll	OR-WIF	544	0	80	Ctn	8/25	31	0	1	3	0	0	344K	FS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Muckamuck	WA-COF	12,063	289	10	Ctn	10/15	223	39	8	11	0	0	7M	FS
Cub Creek 2	WA-SES	69,903	0	65	Ctn	10/1	328	-2	7	20	7	3	22.3M	ST
Cedar Creek	WA-OWF	55,026	765	55	Ctn	10/31	294	-17	2	22	7	2	31.8M	FS
Delancy	WA-OWF	223	0	95	Ctn	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	122K	FS
Green Ridge	OR-UMF	38,787	377	31	Ctn	10/15	462	-42	7	20	3	0	35.7M	FS
Lick Creek	OR-UMF	80,421	0	97	Ctn	9/1	18	-4	0	1	0	10	35.7M	FS
Black Butte	OR-MAF	22,165	711	49	Ctn	9/10	491	-25	9	27	1	0	10.4M	FS
Whitmore	WA-COA	58,280	0	85	Ctn	8/31	228	-50	5	10	1	6	9.2M	BIA
Skyline Ridge Complex	OR-732S	5,760	0	95	Ctn	8/30	470	-294	11	24	7	0	19.4M	ST
Twenty-five Mile	WA-OWF	10,000	2,000	5	Ctn	10/30	396	168	20	47	0	11	3M	FS
Bulldog Mountain	WA-COF	5,087	435	5	Ctn	10/01	199	1	4	11	0	0	2.7M	FS
Mack Mountain	WA-COF	1,210	78	0	Ctn	10/1	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Bull Complex	OR-MHF	5,716	596	0	Ctn	10/30	388	8	10	9	2	0	3.2M	FS
Twin Peaks	OR-VAD	450	---	0	Ctn	8/19	21	---	1	4	0	0	10K	BLM
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Moraine Lake	WA-NCP	164	---	10	Comp	10/1	2	---	0	0	0	0	15K	NPS
Pincer Creek	WA-MSF	850	0	0	Comp	10/1	8	0	0	1	0	0	27K	FS
Bear Creek	WA-NCP	857	0	6	Comp	10/1	12	0	1	0	1	0	90K	NPS
Nason	WA-OWF	132	---	12	Comp	11/1	12	---	1	0	0	0	30K	FS

MSF – Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF, USFS

### **Northern Rockies Area (PL 5)**

New fires:	7
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	33
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

**Pine Grove**, Fort Belknap Agency, BIA. Three miles northeast of Hays, MT. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Character Complex** (2 fires), Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS. Three miles north of Kellogg, ID. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, single tree torching and smoldering. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Richard Spring**, Rosebud County. IMT 2 (NR Team 3). Started on private land ten miles southwest of Colstrip, MT. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous structures, communities and infrastructure threatened. Area closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Lame Deer**, Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA. Five miles northwest of Lame Deer, MT. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Numerous residences threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Woods Creek**, Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. IMT 1 (RM Team 1). IMT is also managing the Divide Complex and American Fork incident. Sixteen miles northeast of Townsend, MT. Short grass, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Divide Complex** (2 fires), Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. Seventeen miles west of Neihart, MT. Short grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**American Fork**, Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. Twenty-four miles southwest of Harlowton, MT. Short grass, timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**West Lolo Complex**, Lolo NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SA Gold Team). Six miles north of St. Regis, MT. Timber, closed timber litter and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing and creeping. Community of Thompson Falls and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Alder Creek**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (SA Blue Team) to IMT 2 (NR Team 5) will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Trail Creek, Christensen and Black Mountain incidents. Twenty miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Trail Creek**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Twenty miles west of Wisdom, MT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Community of Gibbonsville threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Christensen**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Ten miles northeast of Wisdom, MT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Black Mountain**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Twenty miles east of Salmon, ID. Timber, heavy slash and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bedrock**, Ponderosa Area Office, IDL. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (RM Team Blue) back to the local unit occurred yesterday. Started on tribal land twenty-five miles northeast of Lewiston, ID. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Numerous structures threatened.

**Cougar Rock Complex** (4 fires), Clearwater Potlatch Timber Protective Association, IDL. Seventeen miles northeast of Elk River, ID. Light slash and timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping. Area and road closures in effect.

**Stateline Complex** (7 fires), Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS. Twenty-two miles southwest of Superior, MT. Closed timber litter, timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Granite Pass Complex** (3 fires), Lolo NF, USFS. Thirty miles southwest of Missoula, MT. Timber, closed timber litter and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Community of Lolo Hot Springs, structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Storm Theatre Complex** (12 fires), Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. Transfer of command from NIMO (Team 1) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Thirty-five miles southwest of Missoula, MT. Timber and closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Burnt Peak**, Kootenai NF, USFS. IMT 2 (GB Team 5). IMT is also managing the South Yaak incident. Nine miles southwest of Troy, MT. Timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and backing. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.



**South Yaak**, Kootenai NF, USFS. Four miles northwest of Troy, MT. Timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and backing. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Harris Mountain**, Cascade County. Seven miles southeast of Cascade, MT. Closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Boulder 2700**, Flathead Agency, BIA. Three miles northeast of Finley Point, MT. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and smoldering. Numerous residences and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area and trail closures in effect.

**Whitetail Creek**, Northwestern Land Office, DNR. Nine miles northeast of Finley Point, MT. Timber and medium slash. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

**Twin**, Northwestern Land Office, DNR. Thirty-three miles north of Plains, MT. Timber and medium slash. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Toetly 3**, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, BIA. Started on private land two miles northeast of Plummer, ID. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Numerous structures threatened.

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Pine Grove	MT-FBA	17,325	0	19	Ctn	9/29	173	64	1	25	3	11	993K	BIA
Character Complex	ID-IPF	12,259	0	10	Ctn	11/1	354	40	9	16	3	0	20.4M	FS
Richard Spring	MT-LG29	171,130	282	88	Ctn	8/21	233	-7	3	17	2	12	6.2M	PRI
Lame Deer	MT- NCA	5,427	0	95	Ctn	8/21	16	-3	0	2	0	0	500K	BIA
Woods Creek	MT-HLF	55,834	0	49	Comp	10/31	466	-42	6	33	5	1	11M	FS
Divide Complex	MT-HLF	9,834	0	77	Comp	10/29	91	-31	2	6	2	0	18.9M	FS
American Fork	MT-HLF	21,876	0	57	Ctn	10/15	130	17	3	9	0	0	5.7M	FS
West Lolo Complex	MT-LNF	39,053	0	21	Ctn	10/31	333	12	2	18	5	0	23.1M	FS
Alder Creek	MT-BDF	13,984	0	15	Ctn	11/1	282	1	0	15	4	0	17.6M	FS
Trail Creek	MT-BDF	38,845	0	26	Ctn	11/1	240	1	6	18	4	0	13.2M	FS
Christensen	MT-BDF	11,012	0	15	Ctn	11/1	32	-1	1	1	0	1	926K	FS
Black Mountain	MT-BDF	1,041	0	90	Ctn	10/31	1	-17	0	0	0	0	2.5M	FS
Bedrock	ID-PDS	11,167	0	96	Ctn	8/21	107	0	1	14	1	22	2.5M	TRI
Cougar Rock Complex	ID-CTS	8,178	0	59	Ctn	9/15	181	35	4	6	1	0	18.8M	ST
Stateline Complex	ID-IPF	12,757	0	15	Ctn	10/31	162	-19	2	3	4	0	18M	FS
Granite Pass Complex	MT-LNF	5,910	0	15	Ctn	9/15	57	-2	0	6	0	0	10.2M	FS
Storm Theatre Complex	ID-NCF	22,319	0	3	Comp	10/15	35	-2	0	5	0	0	4.8M	FS
Burnt Peak	MT-KNF	4,066	0	29	Ctn	9/30	161	3	2	4	2	0	22.5M	FS
South Yaak	MT-KNF	11,585	0	46	Ctn	9/30	222	9	3	8	0	0	5.9M	FS
Harris Mountain	MT-LG02	31,603	0	74	Ctn	10/1	42	-30	0	0	1	7	9.6M	CNTY
Boulder 2700	MT-FHA	2,230	0	48	Ctn	10/1	132	0	3	9	0	31	6.4M	BIA
Whitetail Creek	MT-NWS	340	0	85	Ctn	8/25	16	0	1	1	0	0	1.3M	ST
Twin	MT-NWS	220	0	24	Ctn	9/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	55K	ST



Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Toetly 3	ID-CDT	706	0	40	Ctn	9/1	68	-17	1	9	1	2	1.8M	PRI
Dorothy Draw	MT-MCD	2,939	0	100	Ctn	---	36	-54	0	6	1	2	100K	BLM
Snake River Complex	ID-CMS	109,444	0	100	Ctn	---	0	0	0	0	0	3	9.5M	ST
Trout Creek	MT-LG32	8,315	0	100	Ctn	---	62	0	1	2	0	0	575K	CNTY
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Trestle Creek Complex	ID-IPF	6,180	129	5	Comp	10/15	194	36	3	15	0	0	5.8M	FS
Dixie	ID-NCF	43,430	0	63	Comp	10/30	100	23	0	5	0	0	24.2M	FS
Hay Creek	MT-FNF	2,894	0	50	Comp	9/30	56	-14	1	0	0	0	9.7M	FS
Crooks	MT-FHA	3,258	0	0	Comp	8/30	122	0	2	9	2	0	1.6M	BIA
Swanson Creek	ID-NCF	650	0	0	Comp	10/10	9	0	0	1	0	0	200K	FS
Lynx	ID-NCF	5,589	0	0	Comp	10/30	11	0	0	0	0	0	200K	FS
Jumbo	ID-NCF	2,750	40	46	Comp	10/30	0	0	0	0	0	0	110K	FS
Goose	MT-BDF	7,522	0	98	Comp	10/13	28	0	0	2	0	1	8.6M	FS
Robertson Draw	MT-CGF	29,885	0	90	Comp	10/1	9	-4	0	2	0	30	13.1M	FS
Crooked Creek	MT-BID	4,141	0	90	Comp	8/30	1	-10	0	0	1	1	5.4M	BLM
Army Mule	ID-NCF	3,845	219	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	3K	FS
Greenside Butte	ID-NCF	725	0	0	Comp	10/31	0	0	0	0	0	0	11K	FS
Larkins Complex	ID-IPF	3,605	247	0	Comp	11/1	1	-12	0	0	0	0	21K	FS
Porphyry	ID-NCF	170	0	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Dry Cabin	MT-LNF	3,060	---	0	Comp	10/10	8	---	0	0	0	0	201K	FS

MCD – Miles City Field Office, BLM CMS – Craig Mountain Supervisory Area, IDL LG32 – Stillwater County  
FNF – Flathead NF, USFS CGF – Custer Gallatin NF, USFS BID – Billings Field Office, BLM

#### **Eastern Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 11  
New large incidents: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Greenwood**, Superior NF, USFS. IMT 2 (EA Gold Team). Ten miles southwest of Isabella, MN. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, short-range spotting and group torching. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, road and trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Greenwood	MN-SUF	4,750	750	0	Ctn	9/1	253	108	0	25	0	0	1M	FS

New fires:	15
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Walkers**, Sequoia NF, USFS. Twenty-seven miles northeast of Porterville, CA. Brush and timber. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Structures threatened.

YNP – Yosemite NP

New fires:	11
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	2

**East Desolation**, Uintah and Ouray Agency, BIA. Twenty-three miles east of East Carbon, UT. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

**Mud Lick**, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Twenty-three miles west of Salmon, ID. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

**Rush Creek**, Payette NF, USFS. Previously reported incident. Fifty-four miles east of McCall, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and isolated torching. 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			
Parleys Canyon	UT-NWS	541	0	80	Ctn	9/1	45	0	1	3	1	0	2.6M	ST
East Desolation	UT-UOA	350	0	60	Ctn	8/25	2	0	0	1	0	0	196K	BIA
French	ID-PAF	1,459	0	100	Ctn	8/21	63	-58	2	2	0	0	550K	PRI
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			
Mud Lick	ID-SCF	20,856	0	68	Comp	9/19	96	-1	0	4	2	0	23.4M	FS
Rush Creek	ID-PAF	4,174	961	31	Comp	10/15	7	0	0	0	1	0	243K	FS
Scarface	ID-SCF	430	115	55	Comp	9/1	2	0	0	0	1	0	325K	FS
Tamarack	NV-HTF	68,637	0	82	Comp	8/31	262	-5	6	2	3	25	33.5M	FS
Boundary	ID-SCF	550	220	30	Comp	9/19	107	20	2	1	2	0	1.1M	FS
Vinegar	ID-PAF	2,910	410	30	Comp	10/15	5	0	0	0	0	0	243K	FS
Club	ID-PAF	375	-20	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	243K	FS
Morgan Canyon	UT-UWF	509	0	90	Comp	9/1	2	1	0	0	0	0	1.8M	FS

HTF – Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, USFS    UWF – Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF, USFS

### **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)**

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

**Crater Ridge**, Bighorn NF, USFS. Thirty-one miles west of Sheridan, WY. Timber, heavy slash and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, backing and single tree torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Crater Ridge	WY-BHF	4,343	0	30	Ctn	10/9	211	26	4	9	3	1	9.6M	FS
118	NE-NES	6,000	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-82	0	0	0	0	50K	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Morgan Creek	WY-MRF	7,509	4	24	Comp	9/1	50	2	0	4	2	0	11.7M	FS
Muddy Slide	WY-MRF	4,093	0	80	Comp	8/31	3	-1	0	0	0	18	13.1M	FS
Sylvan	CO-WRF	3,792	---	75	Comp	UNK	3	---	0	1	0	0	7.2M	FS

NES – Nebraska Forest Service    MRF – Medicine Bow-Routt NF, USFS    WRF – White River NF, USFS

### **Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 2  
New large incidents: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1

**Amargo**, Jicarilla Agency, BIA. Twenty-one miles south of Pagosa Springs, CO. Timber, chaparral and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Amargo	NM-JIA	1,296	0	90	Ctn	8/31	7	0	0	1	0	0	750K	BIA

**Alaska Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 0  
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														
Twentyfour Mile	AK-UYD	1,607	45	0	Comp	9/30	0	0	0	0	0	0	3K	BLM
Nation River	AK-UYD	771	0	0	Comp	9/1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8K	TRI

UYD – Upper Yukon Zone, BLM

**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	3	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	18	1	19
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	83	9,693	9,776
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	13	2	15
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	9	689	698
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	4	1	0	0	0	2	7
	ACRES	282	1	0	0	0	0	283
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	6	0	1	2	2	11
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	120	252	373
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	1	1	0	0	6	0	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	0	5.2
Eastern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	10	0	11
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	18	10	28
Southern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	3	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>282</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>10,645</b>	<b>11,165</b>

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

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	112	0	0	238	18	<b>368</b>
	ACRES	0	156,447	0	0	97,642	5	<b>254,094</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	192	265	27	14	1,891	550	<b>2,939</b>
	ACRES	69,806	16,580	13,202	1,041	144,305	587,353	<b>832,287</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	61	31	4	23	2,521	473	<b>3,113</b>
	ACRES	284	287	332	2	361,969	619,411	<b>982,285</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	19	100	12	71	3,175	450	<b>3,827</b>
	ACRES	1,374	3,527	199	6,030	17,530	12,289	<b>40,948</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	1,202	82	23	5	1,251	693	<b>3,256</b>
	ACRES	103,458	18,191	2,752	51	426,080	255,908	<b>806,440</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	47	666	52	29	744	478	<b>2,016</b>
	ACRES	3,464	77,816	10	2,191	69,878	86,643	<b>240,001</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	491	189	9	31	343	898	<b>1,961</b>
	ACRES	26,178	83,877	1,528	3,363	33,286	490,738	<b>638,969</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	559	336	6	21	601	297	<b>1,820</b>
	ACRES	9,532	25,079	1,260	1,116	108,352	26,035	<b>171,374</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	559	0	51	30	6,957	444	<b>8,041</b>
	ACRES	12,695	0	14,381	652	33,461	15,918	<b>77,107</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	384	0	56	40	12,846	376	<b>13,702</b>
	ACRES	28,691	0	11,845	8,439	264,490	27,434	<b>340,899</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>3,514</b>	<b>1,781</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>30,567</b>	<b>4,677</b>	<b>41,043</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>255,481</b>	<b>381,803</b>	<b>45,509</b>	<b>22,884</b>	<b>1,556,992</b>	<b>2,121,733</b>	<b>4,384,403</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>39,406</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>4,998,449</b>

\*\*\*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	4	6,121	1,548	852,461
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	112	103,134
ALBERTA	5	5	1,108	55,275
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	20,437	138	138,903
SASKATCHEWAN	1	1,977	560	852,907
MANITOBA	3	574	439	1,199,268
ONTARIO	8	10,273	1,131	729,772
QUEBEC	2	0	514	56,863
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	70	321
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	163	372
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	112	197
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	0
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	49	36,289
TOTALS	25	39,386	5,960	4,025,762

\*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

**Predictive Services Discussion:** An upper low will track from Wyoming through the northern Plains as it weakens tomorrow with another upper low dropping into Washington during the afternoon while troughing continues across the West. A cold front will move through the Plains and into Minnesota with dry and breezy conditions possible ahead of the front, in the Cascade gaps of Oregon, and along the Sierra Front. Strong post-frontal west winds are possible in southeast Wyoming, southwest South Dakota, and western Nebraska tomorrow, but temperatures will be cool. Showers and thunderstorms are forecast along the front in the northern Plains into Minnesota with some of the storms likely to be severe. Wetting rain is likely across much of Minnesota except for northeast portions. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are possible across much of eastern Montana and Wyoming in the wake of the first upper low. Scattered showers and thunderstorms are expected across much of Washington into northern Oregon and the Idaho Panhandle. Heavy rain is likely from eastern North Carolina into Delaware.

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





This Day in History is a brief summary of a powerful learning opportunity and is not intended to second guess or be judgmental of decisions and actions. Put yourself in the following situation as if you do not know the outcome. What are the conditions? What are you thinking? What are YOU doing?

## The Great Fires of 1910 (The Big Blowup) - August 20th

**Incident Summary:** The 1910 fire season in the Northern Rockies was an unprecedented challenge to the US Forest Service. Record drought conditions had combined with an unusually strong lightning cycle and an abundance of man-caused fires. By July 15, there were over 3000 firefighters on the fireline in Region 1 of the Forest Service alone. On August 8, President Taft deployed numerous companies of the regular Army to northern Idaho and western Montana.

On August 20, an upper-level trough, centered in Saskatchewan, moved through the Northern Rockies between 1000 and 2100 hrs. This cold front passage brought a strong west/southwest wind that caused numerous fires to blowup and join together to create large fire fronts that moved across the landscape. Fire crews across the Northern Rockies found themselves in danger of entrapment. Many were able to take refuge in previously burned areas, natural safety zones, and mine tunnels. Some were completely cut off, and by the end of the day, 85 persons - 78 of them firefighters - had lost their lives at 9 separate fatality sites.

*This day in wildland fire history is dedicated to all those at the Big Blowup.*

### Discussion Points:

The fire behavior on August 20 was influenced a great deal by the drought conditions.

- Discuss what a [National Fire Danger Rating System pocket card](#) tells us and where to get them.

Messengers were sent to some of the crews to warn them of the impending windstorm, but most of the crews received no warning.

- We often depend on our handheld radios to receive critical weather updates. What backup systems / technologies can be used if our radios don't work?

On the West Fork Big Creek fire, a 60-person crew was instructed by their supervisor to choose between two safety zones, the black from the previous burning period or the creek bottom below. 19 firefighters chose to take shelter in a nearby homesteader's cabin which ignited as the flame front passed. 18 of them perished rushing outside. The one survivor tripped at the door and fell to the ground.

- What is your agency's policy on taking refuge in a structure? What considerations would you take into account?

The 18 firefighters on the Stevens Peak fire burned out a safety zone in light fuels. One firefighter perished when he breathed in super-heated air.

- Discuss the importance of protecting your airway in entrapment situations, and methods of doing so.

When the 70 firefighters working on the Setser Creek fire were instructed by their supervisor to proceed down-



stream to a safety zone, 27 of them disregarded the order and chose instead to follow the instructions of the Camp Cook who insisted there was no danger. All 28 lost their lives.

- What tools are used by your crew/unit to improve crew cohesion in times of stress?

On the Middle Fork Big Creek fire, one crew had retreated to a two-acre clearing with a stream running through

it. Most of the firefighters who sought refuge in the stream survived. Three firefighters, however, were killed when a large tree fell on them.

- What factors influence the selection of a good safety zone? (Review Safety Zones found under Operational Engagement section (green) in the [Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\)](#), PMS 461).

On the Storm Creek fire, the crew supervisor had led his 70-person crew to a safety zone consisting of black from the previous day's burn. This safety zone proved to be a good one, as the crew safely watched the fire burn around them. One firefighter left the protection of the safety zone and was found dead the next day.

- How do you and your crew provide for firefighter accountability?

After the Big Blowup, there were 116 injured firefighters. Some received their initial care from Army field surgeons. Others, including famous Ranger Ed Pulaski, were left with long-term disabilities.

- What are the burn injury protocols on your unit?

### Resources:

[Year of the Fires by Stephen Pyne](#), <https://www.stephenpyne.com/works.htm>

[National Fire Danger Rating System pocket cards filed by geographic area](#), <https://famit.nwcg.gov/applications/WIMS/PocketCards>

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