

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, July 23, 2021– 0730 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 5**

**National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Light (172 fires)
New large incidents:	13
Large fires contained:	9
Uncontained large fires: ***	63
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed	14
Type 2 IMTs committed:	20

Nationally, there are 32 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), one 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) has been deployed to Reno, NV in support of wildland fire operations.

<b>Active Incident Resource Summary</b>							
<b>GACC</b>	<b>Incidents</b>	<b>Cumulative Acres</b>	<b>Crews</b>	<b>Engines</b>	<b>Helicopters</b>	<b>Total Personnel</b>	<b>Change in Personnel</b>
AICC	3	53,503	9	8	1	134	28
NWCC	18	640,425	165	470	52	7,387	143
ONCC	4	257,652	76	381	32	4,590	-226
OSCC	6	16,237	31	35	11	900	85
NRCC	41	296,174	97	321	33	5,271	71
GBCC	15	85,020	54	142	39	2,503	207
SWCC	6	23,806	1	3	0	37	-45
RMCC	7	19,355	13	48	9	801	-86
EACC	2	146	5	6	2	271	-2
SACC	1	577	0	1	2	17	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>1,392,896</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>1,415</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>21,911</b>	<b>192</b>

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

New fires:	36
New large incidents:	5
Uncontained large fires:	31
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	10

**Alder Creek**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SA Blue Team). IMT 1 (SW Team 1) mobilizing. IMT is also managing the Trail Creek and Christensen incidents. Twenty miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. Timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching, creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Trail Creek**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Twenty miles west of Wisdom, MT. Timber and medium slash. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, group torching and single tree torching. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Christensen**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Ten miles northeast of Wisdom, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs and wind-driven runs.

**Character Complex** (2 fires), Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NR Team 3). Three miles north of Kellogg, ID. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and single tree torching. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Dixie**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. IMT 1 (NR Team 2). IMT 2 (GB Team 3) mobilizing. IMT is also managing the Jumbo incident. Two miles north of Dixie, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with group torching, uphill runs and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Jumbo**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. Eight miles west of Dixie, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with group torching, uphill runs and short-range spotting. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Leland Complex** (2 fires), Ponderosa Area Office, IDL. IMT 2 (EA Gold Team). Five miles southwest of Deary, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching, flanking and backing. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cougar Rock Complex** (6 fires), Clearwater Potlatch Timber Protective Association, IDL. IMT 2 (NR Team 6). Seventeen miles northeast of Elk River, ID. Light slash and timber. Moderate fire behavior with short-range spotting, group torching and flanking. Road closures in effect.

**West Lolo Complex** (2 fires), Lolo NF, USFS. Six miles north of St. Regis, MT. Brush, closed timber litter and timber. Active fire behavior with backing, single tree torching and short-range spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Granite Pass Complex** (3 fires), Lolo NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 15). Thirty miles southwest of Missoula, MT. Timber, brush and medium slash. Minimal fire behavior with single tree torching, group torching and flanking. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Anderson Hill**, Southwestern Land Office, DNRC. Started on BLM land 30 miles southeast of Missoula, MT. Timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**Burnt Peak**, Kootenai NF, USFS. IMT 2 (GB Team 4). IMT is also managing the South Yaak incident. Nine miles southwest of Troy, MT. Timber and light slash. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and group torching. Structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**South Yaak**, Kootenai NF, USFS. Four miles northwest of Troy, MT. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, backing, creeping. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Stateline Complex** (3 fires), Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). Twenty-two miles southwest of Superior, MT. Closed timber litter, timber and light slash. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, isolated torching and spotting. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Divide Complex** (2 fires), Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. Seventeen miles west of Neihart, MT. Timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with flanking and creeping. Evacuations, area 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, backing and creeping. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Goose**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NR Team 5). Thirty-two miles southeast of Ennis, MT. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and smoldering. Structures and sage-grouse habitat threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Snake River Complex**, Craig Mountain Supervisory Area, IDL. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (NR Team 4) back to the local unit will occur today. Twenty miles south of Lewiston, ID. Short grass and timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, single tree torching and smoldering. Numerous residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**American Fork**, Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SA Gold Team). Twenty-four miles southwest of Harlowton, MT. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Storm Creek**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. NIMO (Team 1). IMT is also managing the Bald Mountain, Monroe Lake and Lonesome incidents. Thirty-five miles southwest of Missoula, MT. Brush and timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, wind-driven runs and group torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

\* **Bald Mountain**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. Forty-one miles northeast of Kooskia, ID. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and backing.

\* **Monroe Lake**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. Twenty-nine miles east of Pierce, ID. Brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Lonesome**, Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS. Previously reported incident. Thirty-four miles east of Pierce, ID. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and single tree torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

\* **Devils Creek**, Miles City Field Office, BLM. Timber, brush, short grass. Extreme fire behavior with running, group torching and wind-driven runs. Structures threatened.

**Slough Grass**, Rosebud County. Started on private land ten miles northwest of Lame Deer, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and single tree torching. Structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Robertson Draw**, Custer Gallatin NF, USFS. Seven miles south of Red Lodge, MT. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Crooked Creek**, Billings Field Office, BLM. Twenty-five miles east of Bridger, MT. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior. 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			
Alder Creek	MT-BDF	6,298	624	3	Ctn	11/1	322	19	3	19	5	0	3.8M	FS
Trail Creek	MT-BDF	24,143	268	0	Comp	11/1	147	0	4	4	0	0	2M	FS
Christensen	MT-BDF	214	4	0	Ctn	11/1	1	0	0	0	0	0	38K	FS
Character Complex	ID-IPF	4,404	67	20	Ctn	11/1	397	-11	7	33	1	0	6.7M	FS
Dixie	ID-NCF	31,124	1,764	12	Comp	10/30	440	84	12	28	5	0	12M	FS
Jumbo	ID-NCF	1,793	169	0	Comp	10/30	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Leland Complex	ID-PDS	3,117	167	39	Ctn	9/15	271	1	5	8	3	0	4.5M	ST
Cougar Rock Complex	ID-CTS	5,196	211	25	Ctn	9/15	362	-14	6	5	1	0	4.4M	ST
West Lolo Complex	MT-LNF	2,408	0	21	Ctn	10/31	292	-10	4	1	3	0	8.4M	FS
Granite Pass Complex	MT-LNF	2,375	134	1	Ctn	9/15	226	44	5	5	3	0	2M	FS
Anderson Hill	MT-SWS	750	0	75	Ctn	7/26	126	0	5	21	1	1	1.4M	BLM
Burnt Peak	MT-KNF	2,136	32	15	Ctn	9/30	238	4	2	10	2	0	4.4M	FS
South Yaak	MT-KNF	161	33	34	Ctn	8/15	188	35	7	8	0	0	810K	FS
Stateline Complex	ID-IPF	2,175	87	0	Ctn	10/31	220	12	4	3	0	0	1.9M	FS
Divide Complex	MT-HLF	3,786	18	10	Ctn	10/29	189	-20	3	20	4	0	5.1M	FS
Black Mountain	MT-BDF	946	5	0	Ctn	10/31	65	1	3	2	0	0	165K	FS
Goose	MT-BDF	7,262	15	48	Comp	10/13	252	-15	3	16	2	1	4.9M	FS
Snake River Complex	ID-CMS	107,679	119	74	Ctn	7/30	208	-93	4	8	1	0	7.3M	ST
American Fork	MT-HLF	5,727	237	0	Ctn	10/15	78	0	2	12	0	0	800K	FS
Storm Creek	ID-NCF	3,750	228	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	7K	FS
* Bald Mountain	ID-NCF	108	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	2K	FS
* Monroe Lake	ID-NCF	146	---	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	3K	FS
Lonesome	ID-NCF	142	0	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	5K	FS
* Devils Creek	MT-MCD	375	---	10	Ctn	7/25	67	---	2	6	1	0	100K	BLM
Slough Grass	MT-LG29	9,253	-153	60	Ctn	7/26	173	-39	0	47	0	2	200K	PRI
Robertson Draw	MT-CGF	29,851	0	85	Ctn	8/29	46	-13	1	4	0	30	11.7M	FS
Crooked Creek	MT-BID	4,141	0	85	Ctn	7/30	10	0	1	0	0	1	5.4M	BLM
Long Spur	MT-LG11	1,340	840	100	Ctn	---	0	-40	0	0	0	0	40K	PRI
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Larkins Complex	ID-IPF	1,581	---	0	Comp	11/1	3	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
* Army Mule	ID-NCF	600	---	0	Comp	10/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
Dry Cabin	MT-LNF	2,200	1,900	0	Comp	8/15	8	3	0	0	0	0	40K	FS
Trestle Creek Complex	ID-IPF	436	0	31	Comp	9/15	128	-6	7	0	0	0	2.2M	FS
Snow Creek	ID-NCF	620	20	0	Comp	10/20	139	9	2	7	0	0	1.1M	FS
Lynx	ID-NCF	220	120	0	Comp	10/30	2	0	0	0	0	0	20K	FS

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

New fires:	10
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	16
Type 1 IMTs committed:	6
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

**Cedar Creek**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 8). IMT is also managing the Delancy incident. Fifteen miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. Timber, medium slash and short grass. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, flanking and short-range spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Delancy**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. Fifteen miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. Timber, short grass and medium slash. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, flanking and short-range spotting. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cub Creek 2**, Southeast Region, DNR. IMT 1 (CA Team 1) Five miles north of Winthrop, WA. Timber, brush and closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bootleg**, Fremont-Winema NF, USFS. IMT 1 (NW Team 2) and IMT 1 (ODF Team 1). IMT 1 (AK Type 1 Team) mobilizing. Twenty-three miles east of Chiloquin, OR. Timber, brush and closed timber litter. Extreme fire behavior with running, flanking and group torching. Numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

**Summit Trail**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (CA Team 10). Seventeen miles west of Inchelium, WA. Medium slash, timber and brush. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting, backing and torching. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Elbow Creek**, Umatilla NF, USFS. IMT 1 (ODF Team 3). Twenty-six miles northeast of Elgin, OR. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with group torching, short crown runs and spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Chuweah Creek**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (NW Team 12). Four miles north of Nespelem, WA. Brush, timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**Jack**, Umpqua NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 10). Thirty-one miles east of Roseburg, OR. Timber, closed timber litter and brush. Active fire behavior with isolated torching, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Lick Creek**, Umatilla NF, USFS. IMT 1 (NW Team 3). IMT 2 (CA Team 12) mobilizing. IMT is also managing the Green Ridge incident. Fifteen miles southeast of Pomeroy, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Green Ridge**, Umatilla NF, USFS. Thirty miles east of Walla Walla, WA. Brush and timber. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and group torching. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bruler**, Willamette NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 13). Nine miles south of Detroit, OR. Closed timber litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Goddard Road**, Northeast Region, DNR. Started on private land 12 miles southwest of Kettle Falls, WA. Timber and short grass. Active fire behavior with single tree torching, creeping and torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Red Apple**, Southeast Region, DNR. Two miles southeast of Cashmere, WA. Tall grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

\* **Steptoe Canyon**, Washington State Fire Marshal's Office. Five miles southwest of Colton, WA. Short grass and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, backing and wind-driven runs. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

\* **Sherwood**, Spokane Agency, BIA. Thirty miles northwest of Spokane, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior with running, torching and spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Grandview**, Sisters Unit, ODF. Ten miles northeast of Sisters, OR. Timber and brush. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Cedar Creek	WA-OWF	18,634	3,777	11	Ctn	10/31	459	10	7	34	7	0	6.3M	FS
Delancy	WA-OWF	219	0	0	Ctn	10/31	0	0	0	0	0	0	300K	FS
Cub Creek 2	WA-SES	35,134	3,537	5	Ctn	8/31	334	15	11	21	0	3	3.5M	ST
Bootleg	OR-FWF	395,463	3,896	40	Ctn	10/1	2,389	121	50	202	20	184	41.5M	FS
Summit Trail	WA-COA	5,348	594	0	Ctn	7/31	360	28	8	11	3	0	3.3M	BIA
Elbow Creek	OR-UMF	18,599	1,394	20	Ctn	8/15	686	192	27	39	6	1	3.2M	FS
Chuweah Creek	WA-COA	36,730	40	40	Ctn	7/27	344	2	6	24	4	14	4.9M	BIA
Jack	OR-UPF	19,352	306	56	Ctn	8/15	621	-108	12	24	4	0	15.6M	FS
Lick Creek	OR-UMF	73,528	0	55	Ctn	9/1	419	-75	4	23	7	10	11.9M	FS
Green Ridge	OR-UMF	3,428	487	15	Ctn	9/6	394	97	12	8	0	0	6.2M	FS
Bruler	OR-WIF	195	0	20	Ctn	9/30	254	4	5	11	1	0	2.6M	FS
Goddard Road	WA-NES	784	0	35	Ctn	7/30	235	-10	3	30	0	3	2M	PRI
Red Apple	WA-SES	12,288	0	94	Ctn	UNK	50	57	1	4	0	1	4.7M	ST
* Steptoe Canyon	WA-WFA	2,000	---	0	Ctn	7/24	57	---	0	14	0	0	150K	ST
* Sherwood	WA-SPA	375	---	30	Ctn	7/31	45	---	2	1	0	0	400K	BIA
Grandview	OR-955S	6,032	---	95	Ctn	7/23	366	---	12	19	0	0	10M	ST

**Northern California Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 15  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 3

**Dixie**, Butte Unit, Cal Fire. Fifteen miles northeast of Paradise, CA. IMT 1 (Cal Fire Team 1) and IMT 1 (CA Team 2). Timber and chaparral. Extreme fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and long-range spotting. Several communities threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Beckwourth Complex**, Plumas NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (CA Team 5) back to the local unit will occur today. Three miles northeast of Beckwourth, CA. Timber, brush and closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Dixie	CA-BTU	113,006	21,738	18	Ctn	7/31	4,005	86	70	355	31	8	30M	ST
Beckwourth Complex	CA-PNF	105,670	0	98	Ctn	7/30	455	-231	5	19	1	148	52.2M	FS
Lava	CA-SHF	26,316	0	77	Ctn	8/1	50	-2	0	4	0	23	34.5M	FS

**Great Basin (PL3)**

New fires: 26  
 New large incidents: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 7  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 2

**Tamarack**, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, USFS. IMT 1 (RM Team 1). Sixteen miles south of Gardnerville, NV. Timber and chaparral. Extreme fire behavior with running, short crown runs and short-range spotting. Several communities threatened. Evacuations, road and trail closures in effect.

**Haynes**, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. IMT 1 (GB Team 2). IMT is also managing the Mud Lick and Iron incidents. Thirteen miles southeast of Salmon, ID. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Sage-grouse habitat threatened. Road closures in effect.

**Mud Lick**, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Twenty-three miles west of Salmon, ID. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and sage-grouse habitat threatened. Road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

\* **Iron**, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Eighteen miles southwest of Salmon, ID. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and sage-grouse habitat threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Shale Creek**, Bridger-Teton NF, USFS. Thirty miles north of Kemmerer, WY. Timber, light slash and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and smoldering. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Lusk**, Power County. Twenty miles south of Pocatello, ID. Brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and single tree torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.



**Black Pine**, Bear River Area, Utah DOF. Fifteen miles west of Snowville, UT. Short grass, bush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened.

**Morgan Canyon**, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF, USFS. Twelve miles west of Stockton, UT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Area and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

\* **Tango**, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Eighteen miles north of Stanley, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and single tree torching. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

\* **Vinegar**, Payette NF, USFS. Fifty-four miles east of McCall, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Trail closures in effect. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Tamarack	NV-HTF	50,129	6,229	4	Ctn	8/31	1,353	140	29	103	10	14	8.7M	FS
Haynes	ID-SCF	461	15	20	Ctn	7/31	94	20	3	0	8	0	400K	FS
Mud Lick	ID-SCF	16,472	32	0	Comp	8/31	570	3	11	19	7	0	7.6M	FS
* Iron	ID-SCF	132	---	50	Ctn	7/31	64	---	3	0	0	0	113K	FS
Shale Creek	WY-BTF	189	29	40	Ctn	7/31	135	-16	3	0	6	0	1.2M	FS
Lusk	ID-2PN	1,620	-380	75	Ctn	7/23	108	16	3	10	2	0	500K	CNTY
Black Pine	UT-BRS	563	0	60	Ctn	7/30	38	-33	1	4	1	0	350K	ST
Morgan Canyon	UT-UWF	509	0	75	Ctn	8/15	18	0	0	1	1	0	1.8M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Tango	ID-SCF	102	---	0	Comp	10/1	22	---	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
* Vinegar	ID-PAF	323	---	0	Comp	10/1	5	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
Rush Creek	ID-PAF	1,616	116	0	Comp	10/1	18	12	0	0	1	0	30K	FS

### **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 29  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

**Morgan Creek**, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (RM Team Black) back to the local unit will occur on 7/26. IMT is also managing the Muddy Slide incident. Fifteen miles north of Steamboat Springs, CO. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, backing and single tree torching. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Muddy Slide**, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS. Twenty miles south of Steamboat Springs, CO. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Crater Ridge**, Bighorn NF, USFS. IMT 2 (RM Team Blue). Thirty-one miles west of Sheridan, WY. Timber and heavy slash. Minimal fire behavior with backing and creeping. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.



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Morgan Creek	WY-MRF	5,617	69	0	Ctn	9/1	403	6	8	13	4	0	6M	FS
Muddy Slide	WY-MRF	4,093	0	70	Ctn	8/31	79	-36	0	5	2	18	12.1M	FS
Crater Ridge	WY-BHF	383	0	0	Ctn	8/15	242	1	5	6	3	0	1.4M	FS
Saw Mill	WY-CPS	1,308	0	100	Ctn	---	6	-49	0	2	0	0	250K	ST
Dry Fork	WY-MRF	3,207	0	100	Ctn	---	7	0	0	2	0	0	300K	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Sylvan	CO-WRF	3,792	0	68	Comp	8/1	13	-8	0	2	0	0	7M	FS

CPS – CPC Area, Wyoming State Forestry    WRF – White River NF, USFS

### **Southern California Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 18  
New large incidents: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Peak**, Central California District, BLM. IMT 2 (CA Team 11). Thirty-three miles east of Bakersfield, CA. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and isolated torching. Residences threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Peak	CA-CND	2,088	88	32	Ctn	7/30	589	37	21	24	7	1	1.5M	BLM
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Dexter	CA-INF	2,985	20	97	Comp	7/28	104	4	2	4	1	0	5.4M	FS
Henry	CA-STF	1,316	0	52	Comp	8/3	74	-9	5	0	3	0	1.7M	FS
County Line	CA-YNP	224	54	85	Comp	8/15	0	0	0	0	0	0	114K	NPS
Lukens	CA-YNP	460	10	50	Comp	8/15	22	-22	0	1	0	0	451K	NPS

INF – Inyo NF, USFS    STF – Stanislaus NF, USFS    YNP – Yosemite NP, NPS

### **Eastern Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 10  
New large incidents: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 1  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**2021 SUF West Zone Complex**, Superior NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (EA Silver Team) back to the local unit will occur on 7/26. Six miles east of Ely, MN. Timber and medium slash. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area 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			
2021 SUF West Zone Complex	MN-SUF	86	0	60	Ctn	7/26	225	-2	4	4	2	0	4.4M	FS

**Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 17  
 New large incidents: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Tiger**, Prescott NF, USFS. Eleven miles east of Crown King, AZ. Short grass, brush and timber. No new information.

\* **Paradise Park**, Apache-Sitgraves NF, USFS. Eleven miles east of Crown King, AZ. Brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering 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			
Tiger	AZ-PNF	16,278	---	90	Ctn	7/30	5	---	0	1	0	0	5.6M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Paradise Park	AZ-ASF	262	---	0	Comp	8/13	1	---	0	0	0	0	2K	FS
Oconnell	AZ-KNF	180	---	50	Comp	UNK	23	---	1	3	0	0	20K	FS
Firebox	AZ-ASF	1,063	0	100	Comp	---	0	-8	0	0	0	0	100K	FS
Ocotillo	AZ-TNF	1,115	0	100	Comp	---	1	-24	0	0	0	0	50K	FS
Bear	AZ-TNF	2,148	200	100	Comp	---	4	-21	0	1	0	0	57K	FS
Middle	AZ-TNF	2,792	0	100	Comp	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.8M	FS
Johnson	NM-GNF	88,918	0	100	Comp	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	7.5M	FS

KNF – Kaibab NF, USFS    TNF – Tonto NF, USFS    GNF – Gila NF, USFS

**Alaska Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 6  
 New large incidents: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

\* **Black Hills**, Tok Area, Alaska DOF. Fifty-six miles southeast of Tok, AK. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with group torching and running. Structures threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

**Munson Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Fifty-two miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Trail closures in effect. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

**Cultas Creek**, Upper Yukon Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on NPS land 55 miles northwest of Eagle, AK. Timber. Active fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and isolated torching. Structures threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

**Sischu**, Tanana Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Ninety-seven miles north-east of McGrath, AK. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and running. 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			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Black Hills	AK-TAS	3,500	---	5	Comp	7/28	48	10	2	0	2	0	150K	ST
Munson Creek	AK-FAS	50,000	2,500	5	Comp	7/30	38	-3	1	8	0	0	2.2M	ST
Cultas Creek	AK-UYD	37,054	4,011	0	Comp	8/7	14	2	1	0	1	0	50K	NPS

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Sischu	AK-TAD	13,792	5,007	0	Comp	8/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	5K	BLM
Crescent Creek	AK-UYD	1,329	0	0	Comp	8/7	0	0	0	0	0	0	5K	NPS
Shellman Creek	AK-TAD	1,972	---	0	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
Dry Creek	AK-TAD	50,859	506	100	Comp	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.5M	TRI

### **Southern Area (PL 1)**

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

\* **Shark Slough**, Everglades NP, NPS. Twenty-nine miles west of Miami, FL. Tall grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking 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			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Shark Slough	FL-EVP	577	---	10	Comp	7/26	17	---	0	1	2	0	10K	NPS

**Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):**

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	5	0	0	1	0	6
	ACRES	0	36	0	0	7	0	43
Northwest Area	FIRES	1	1	0	0	8	0	10
	ACRES	1	10	0	0	5	0	16
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	15	0	15
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	64	0	64
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	14	4	18
	ACRES	0	0	0	4	16	0	20
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	1	6	2	0	18	9	36
	ACRES	0	390	119	0	620	2,419	3,548
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	16	0	0	3	7	26
	ACRES	0	12	0	0	13	237	262
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	2	1	0	0	13	17
	ACRES	0	0	10	0	0	3	13
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	3	9	0	0	8	9	29
	ACRES	0	41	0	0	323	310	674
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	6	4	10
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	5	0	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	20	0	20
TOTAL FIRES:		6	39	3	0	78	46	172
TOTAL ACRES:		1	489	129	4	1,069	2,974	4,667

**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	92	0	0	212	11	<b>315</b>
	ACRES	0	130,521	0	0	58,772	5	<b>189,298</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	148	183	21	3	1,438	289	<b>2,082</b>
	ACRES	47,783	13,162	1,178	19	75,376	465,378	<b>602,897</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	43	24	4	21	2,108	328	<b>2,528</b>
	ACRES	38	268	332	1	19,498	155,789	<b>175,928</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	16	93	11	30	2,696	360	<b>3,206</b>
	ACRES	1,299	3,510	199	3,006	16,532	9,288	<b>33,834</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	1,028	64	21	3	958	536	<b>2,610</b>
	ACRES	73,528	3,030	2,639	20	166,339	116,771	<b>362,328</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	34	510	51	16	578	290	<b>1,479</b>
	ACRES	3,005	54,077	10	2,190	53,731	37,194	<b>150,208</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	473	171	9	21	333	813	<b>1,820</b>
	ACRES	24,699	83,887	1,528	3,362	33,217	490,124	<b>636,819</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	512	201	6	17	423	195	<b>1,354</b>
	ACRES	4,200	22,633	1,260	1,116	81,634	23,026	<b>133,869</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	431	0	22	13	6,730	403	<b>7,599</b>
	ACRES	12,367	0	13,276	560	31,900	15,823	<b>73,926</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	376	0	53	36	12,343	371	<b>13,179</b>
	ACRES	28,685	0	11,844	8,321	261,797	27,347	<b>337,997</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>3,061</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>27,819</b>	<b>3,596</b>	<b>36,172</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>195,606</b>	<b>311,090.3</b>	<b>32,267</b>	<b>18,597</b>	<b>798,800.7</b>	<b>1,340,747</b>	<b>2,697,108</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>32,686</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>3,555,037</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	15	7,934	1,198	341,558
YUKON TERRITORY	16	1,914	89	62,404
ALBERTA	6	0	877	50,187
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	15	167	89	42,627
SASKATCHEWAN	5	9,512	448	543,690
MANITOBA	0	395	321	583,388
ONTARIO	28	2,650	880	508,347
QUEBEC	1	3	463	29,296
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	57	306
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	148	307
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	110	197
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	0
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	49	12,873
TOTALS	86	22,574	4,730	2,175,181

\*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

**Predictive Services Discussion:** High pressure aloft will remain near the Four Corners with very dry westerly flow aloft for the northern Intermountain West. Above normal temperatures and low relative humidity are expected for the northern Intermountain West with poor to moderate recovery overnight. Dry and breezy conditions will continue across the inland Northwest, Sierra Front, and Northern Rockies with critical winds amid low relative humidity likely over northwest and north-central Montana, extending southward into southeast Idaho. Isolated to scattered mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are likely for southeast California while scattered to numerous monsoonal thunderstorms continue for southern Utah, southern Nevada, Arizona, western New Mexico, and the Colorado Rockies. Flash flood potential will remain in portions of Arizona and western New Mexico. Scattered to numerous thunderstorms with wetting rain are likely for northern Minnesota and the northern Great Lakes.

<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?*

## **Elk Complex Helicopter Accident (California) – July 23, 2007**

**Incident Summary:** A handcrew was assigned to mop up on the Elk Complex. The crew's superintendent requested blivets through the Division Supervisor (DIVS) to support the operation. A medium helicopter would deliver the blivets by longline.

**Two days before the accident:** The DIVS anchors a fluorescent panel to the ground (used for indicating landing and drop zones) for the handcrew to use. The terrain in the area consisted of steep slopes and trees from 75 to 200 feet tall.

**Day before the accident:** The crew prepared for blivet delivery. The location of the panel remained as placed by the DIVS. The helicopter made the blivet drop close to the panel. The crew member who is marshaling warns the pilot about the proximity of one tree located to the right and upslope of the panel. Concerned with their own safety, two ground crew members distance themselves from the blivet drop site. The division safety officer visited the site after the blivet delivery. There was no discussion regarding the drop zone location or recognized hazards. At the After Action Review (AAR) in camp that evening, there was no mention of it. Additional blivets and backhaul were requested by the crew superintendent through the DIVS for the following day.

**Day of the accident:** The pilot was informed that he would be delivering more blivets to the same drop zone. Two crew members, not on site the previous day, staff the drop site. The panel remained in the same location as the previous day. Though the helicopter was equipped with a 150 foot longline, the marshaller communicates with the DIVS that a longer longline is recommended. By the time the recommendation was transmitted to the helibase, the helicopter was en route with blivets. Due to radio traffic, the marshaller and pilot did not communicate until the helicopter was on final approach to the drop site. Crew members witness the helicopter drift to the right as the blivets are set down and the main rotor strike the tall tree. The longline and the blivets remain attached as the helicopter turns left and flies downhill, impacting trees as it falls to the ground. The helicopter was destroyed. Though crew members provide assistance, the pilot was killed.

### **Discussion Points:**

**Lookouts** – In medium helicopters many pilots fly external load missions from the left seat, leaning left out the bubble window. This decreases the pilot's ability to see to the right of the aircraft. As ground personnel working with helicopters, you may have a view of hazards that the pilot does not.

- If you are giving a new pilot a briefing about hazards in your area, what will your emphasis points be?

**Communications** – During a post-accident interview, two crew members stated that they were so concerned about the potential for an accident that they briefed each other three times on what action would be taken in the event of an accident.

- Discuss some of the reasons that people do not speak up when they see something wrong.
- During your work today, you may only get one chance to communicate a hazard before an accident happens. Identify how you and your crew will combat the reluctance to verbalize hazards.

There was a wider open spot a short way down the line that would have made a better drop site, but the DIVS had placed the panel in a convenient spot for the crews and did not communicate that he did not intend it to be the drop site for the blivets.

- Discuss how your crew leader wants crew members to speak up with questions, ideas, and solutions.

**Escape Routes** – We strive to work as safe as possible, but when things go wrong we need a way out. Just as with fire and felling, pilots in aircraft and the ground crews working with them need to establish escape routes for the aircraft and the ground crew.



**Safety Circle** – The helicopter's main rotor impacted the top 15 feet of a 165-foot tree. This means the helicopter's safety circle was not big enough to remain clear of hazards (a safety circle is generally recognized as 1% times the rotor diameter and is used for keeping a safe distance from hazards both on the ground and in-flight).

- Using your [Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\) PMS 461](#), (blue section) identify the minimum size of a safety circle for a medium helicopter.
- What are some ways to estimate the height of a tree?
- What are some options you have as a ground crew to improve a drop site with a hazardous tree?
- What are some options you have as a ground crew if you have an unsafe condition at the drop site and the helicopter is en route?
- What immediate actions do you take as a ground crew at a drop site if the helicopter is getting too close to a hazard?
- Could asking the pilot to do a recon of the drop site have potentially changed the outcome of this accident?

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**Resources:** [2007 USFS A 200 Accident Review](#) pg. 29; [NWCG Standards for Helicopter Operations, PMS 510](#); [NTSB Summary: Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\), PMS 461](#)

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