

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, June 27, 2021– 0730 MDT
National Preparedness Level 4**

National Fire Activity:

Initial attack activity:	Light (127 fires)
New large incidents:	2
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: ***	39
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	12

Nationally, there are 13 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.

One MAFFS C-130 airtanker and support personnel each from the 152nd Airlift Wing (Nevada Air National Guard) and the 146th Airlift Wing (California Air National Guard) have been deployed to McClellan, CA to support wildland fire operations nationally.

Active Incident Resource Summary							
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	6	28,644	11	4	3	382	6
NWCC	3	17,967	14	65	5	745	-238
ONCC	3	927	3	6	2	82	-45
OSCC	7	9,504	29	59	12	1,219	-180
NRCC	6	39,096	21	51	14	870	4
GBCC	16	52,413	18	33	16	696	-275
SWCC	22	468,268	47	201	29	3,000	-150
RMCC	7	30,677	14	81	13	1,143	67
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	2	4,757	0	2	1	23	0
Total	72	652,253	157	502	95	8,160	-811

Southwest Area (PL 4)

New fires:	17
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	13
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Rafael, Prescott NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 2). Three miles northeast of Perkinsville, AZ. Brush, short grass and timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and smoldering. Structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Backbone, Coconino NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1). Eleven miles west of Pine, AZ. Short grass and brush. Active fire behavior with creeping, single tree torching and smoldering. Numerous structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Horton, Apache-Sitgreaves NF, USFS. Five miles north of Hannigan, AZ. Timber and heavy slash. Active fire behavior with running, torching and flanking. Residences and infrastructure threatened. Area closures in effect.

Wyrick, Apache-Sitgreaves NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). IMT is also managing the West Chev incident. Two miles northwest of Heber, AZ. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, backing and smoldering. Community of Heber-Overgaard, numerous structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

West Chev, Apache-Sitgreaves NF, USFS. Thirteen miles northwest of Heber, AZ. Timber and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Water Springs, Colorado River District, BLM. Thirty-one miles northeast of Dolan Springs, AZ. Brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and creeping.

Planet Ranch, Bill Williams National Wildlife Refuge, FWS. Twenty miles southeast of Lake Havasu City, AZ. Chaparral and brush. Moderate fire behavior with running, creeping and smoldering.

Telegraph, Tonto NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 6). Two miles southeast of Superior, AZ. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

Rock Butte, Prescott NF, USFS. Three miles northwest of Drake, AZ. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area closures in effect.

Pinnacle, Coronado NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 3). Thirteen miles south of Bylas, AZ. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Alamo, Coronado NF, USFS. Ten miles west of Nogales, AZ. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

Bear, Apache-Sitgreaves NF, USFS. Thirteen miles south of Hannigan Meadows, AZ. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Slate, Coconino NF, USFS. Twenty-three miles northwest of Flagstaff, AZ. Chaparral and timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Rincon, Sante Fe NF, USFS. Twenty-five miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Timber and brush. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Rafael	AZ-PNF	53,664	10,052	11	Ctn	7/15	664	111	10	38	9	0	3.8M	FS
Backbone	AZ-COF	40,855	14	35	Ctn	7/15	697	-10	14	47	4	0	10M	FS
Horton	AZ-ASF	8,957	2,287	12	Ctn	7/30	218	49	4	12	3	0	2M	FS
Wyrick	AZ-ASF	7,592	0	56	Ctn	7/31	261	-58	2	12	3	0	4.1M	FS
West Chev	AZ-ASF	1,170	396	62	Ctn	7/8	64	0	2	3	1	0	155K	FS
Water Springs	AZ-CRD	550	50	0	Ctn	7/7	59	0	0	10	2	0	850K	BLM
Planet Ranch	AZ-BWR	1,260	410	30	Ctn	7/7	50	7	1	4	2	0	1M	FWS
Telegraph	AZ-TNF	180,755	2	91	Ctn	6/30	305	-5	1	26	2	41	30.2M	FS
Rock Butte	AZ-PNF	802	0	80	Ctn	7/1	41	-57	0	5	0	0	1.3M	FS
Pinnacle	AZ-CNF	34,417	0	60	Ctn	7/15	173	-73	1	8	0	0	9.9M	FS
Alamo	AZ-CNF	4,953	0	90	Ctn	UNK	14	-56	0	4	0	0	424K	FS
Slate	AZ-COF	11,435	---	90	Ctn	UNK	15	---	1	1	0	0	1.5M	FS
Rincon	NM-SNF	533	---	0	Ctn	7/2	12	---	0	0	0	0	2M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Johnson	NM-GNF	88,420	522	24	Comp	7/23	128	0	3	6	1	0	7M	FS
Walnut	AZ-A3S	10,262	545	33	Comp	6/30	105	-71	2	9	1	0	1.2M	ST
Bear	AZ-ASF	19,203	2,203	0	Comp	7/31	39	9	2	2	1	0	160K	FS
Poso	NM-CAF	2,057	0	80	Comp	6/28	19	0	0	4	0	0	1.6M	FS
Moore	AZ-ASF	2,500	---	0	Comp	7/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
Bullard	NM-GNF	633	---	90	Comp	7/5	6	---	0	1	0	0	300K	FS
Hobo	AZ-ASF	600	---	0	Comp	8/8	0	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
Drummond	NM-GNF	502	---	35	Comp	8/10	4	---	0	1	0	0	1.1M	FS

GNF – Gila NF, USFS A3S – Southeast District, Arizona DOF CAF – Carson NF, USFS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires:	11
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	6
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

Muddy Slide, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS. IMT 2 (RM Team Blue). Twenty miles south of Steamboat Springs, CO. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and smoldering. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Sylvan, White River NF, USFS. IMT 1 (RM Team 1). Fifteen miles south of Eagle, CO. Timber and slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Oil Springs, White River Field Office, BLM. IMT 2 (GB Team 3). Forty-two miles north of Grand Junction, CO. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Road closures in effect.

Wild Cow, Grand Junction Field Office, BLM. Thirty-one miles northwest of Grand Junction, CO. Brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened.

West, Moffat County. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (RM Team Black) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Thirty-five miles southeast of Rock Springs, WY. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Sage-grouse habitat threatened.

Collom, Moffat County. Twelve miles northwest of Meeker, CO. Chaparral and timber. No new information.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Muddy Slide	WY-MRF	4,150	0	0	Ctn	7/30	242	28	2	15	7	0	1.3M	FS
Sylvan	CO-WRF	3,775	0	0	Ctn	8/1	318	54	4	14	5	0	2.2M	FS
Oil Springs	CO-WRD	12,707	0	11	Ctn	7/3	301	64	3	33	1	1	1.7M	BLM
Wild Cow	CO-GRD	560	0	57	Ctn	6/27	93	-9	3	5	0	0	250K	BLM
West	CO-MFX	3,424	0	98	Ctn	6/27	144	-43	2	8	0	0	1.3M	CNTY
Collom	CO-MFX	640	---	95	Ctn	6/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	365K	CNTY
Cellers	WY-MRF	5,000	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-3	0	0	0	0	100K	FS

Great Basin Area (PL 3)

New fires: 17
 New large incidents: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 8

Morgan Canyon, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache NF, USFS. Twelve miles west of Stockton, UT. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Structures threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

Fritzer, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Fifteen miles northeast of Salmon, ID. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

Pack Creek, Manti-La Sal NF, USFS. Fourteen miles southeast of Moab, UT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing, smoldering and single tree torching. Structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

Bennion Creek, Manti-La Sal NF, USFS. Twenty-three miles northwest of Helper, UT. Brush, chaparral and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Trail closures in effect.

Bear, Vernal Field Office, BLM. Three miles northwest of Helper, UT. Timber, short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Infrastructure threatened.

MM 25 I-15, Arizona Strip District, BLM. Ten miles southwest of St. George, UT. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Energy infrastructure threatened.

Flatt, Cedar City Field Office, BLM. Five miles northwest of Enterprise, UT. Brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Area and road closures in effect.

Andrus Canyon, Lake Mead National Recreation Area, NPS. Sixty miles south of St. George, UT. Brush and short grass. 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			
Morgan Canyon	UT-UWF	509	10	40	Ctn	10/31	128	-18	5	1	2	0	1.6M	FS
Fritzer	ID-SCF	137	0	50	Ctn	6/28	51	-3	2	0	2	0	90K	FS
Pack Creek	UT-MLF	8,952	0	77	Ctn	7/31	110	-112	2	5	3	10	9.5M	FS
Bennion Creek	UT-MLF	8,313	0	94	Ctn	6/30	54	-18	1	0	2	0	6.4M	FS
Bear	UT-VLD	12,174	0	93	Ctn	6/30	51	-3	1	1	2	0	8.1M	BLM
MM 25 I-15	AZ-ASD	1,007	59	85	Ctn	6/27	138	0	3	12	3	0	550K	BLM
Flatt	UT-CCD	14,082	0	90	Ctn	6/27	17	-4	0	3	0	1	850K	BLM
Andrus Canyon	NV-LAP	1,633	0	70	Ctn	UNK	29	4	1	0	0	0	650K	NPS

Southern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 22
New large incidents: 0
Uncontained large fires: 4
Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Inyo Creek, Inyo NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 13). Eight miles west of Lone Pine, CA. Brush, timber and hardwood slash. Moderate fire behavior with backing and single tree torching. Structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Willow, Los Padres NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 11). Fifteen miles southeast of Big Sur, CA. Chaparral, brush and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Nettle, Tule River Fire Department, BIA. Fifteen miles southeast of Porterville, CA. Short grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Road closures in effect.

Mesa, San Diego Unit, Cal Fire. Previously reported as the Mesa 3 incident. Nine miles east of Fallbrook, CA. Chaparral and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Energy infrastructure threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Inyo Creek	CA-INF	647	55	50	Ctn	7/6	442	6	9	12	4	0	3.5M	FS
Willow	CA-LPF	2,877	0	56	Ctn	7/11	281	-56	5	7	6	0	7M	FS
Nettle	CA-TIA	1,265	0	90	Ctn	7/1	93	0	2	11	0	0	850K	BIA
Mesa	CA-MVU	350	0	81	Ctn	6/30	147	-78	4	10	1	0	1.6M	ST

Northwest Area (PL 3)

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

Cutoff, Klamath Unit, ODF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (ODF Team 1) back to the local unit will occur today. Six miles north of Bonanza, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

S-503, Warm Springs Agency, BIA. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (NW Team 8) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Five miles southwest of Pine Grove, OR. Timber, brush and short grass. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and short-range spotting. Residences and infrastructure threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Cutoff	OR-981S	1,288	0	96	Ctn	6/29	208	-190	4	6	2	22	3.9M	ST
S-503	OR-WSA	6,679	0	70	Ctn	7/2	468	-48	10	36	3	0	5.1M	BIA

Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)

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

Little Pine, Pend Oreille Area Office, IDL. Seven miles northwest of Priest River, ID. Timber and light slash. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

Crooked Creek, Billings Field Office, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (NR Team 4) to IMT 2 (NR Team 3) will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Robertson Draw incident. Twenty-five miles east of Bridger, MT. Timber, short grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and single tree torching. Residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Robertson Draw, Custer Gallatin NF, USFS. Seven miles south of Red Lodge, MT. Timber, brush and short grass. Minimal fire behavior with backing, single tree torching and smoldering. Numerous structures and sage-grouse habitat threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Deep Creek Canyon, Helena-Lewis and Clark NF, USFS. Eighteen miles east of Townsend, MT. Timber and grass. 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			
Little Pine	ID-POS	180	0	35	Ctn	7/1	143	-1	5	7	1	0	951K	ST
Crooked Creek	MT-BID	3,922	0	32	Ctn	7/7	248	2	7	7	5	1	3.2M	BLM
Robertson Draw	MT-CGF	29,838	0	65	Ctn	7/14	307	-20	5	17	4	30	7M	FS
Deep Creek Canyon	MT-HLF	4,648	0	98	Ctn	7/1	52	0	2	2	1	7	5.5M	FS
Buffalo Pasture	MT-CRA	244	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-31	0	0	0	0	350K	BIA

CRA – Crow Agency, BIA

Northern California Area (PL 3)

New fires: 30
 New large incidents: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

* **Lava**, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 14) mobilizing. Four miles east of Weed, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with group torching, long-range spotting and wind-driven runs. Residences and infrastructure threatened. 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			
* Lava	CA-SHF	200	---	0	Ctn	7/7	0	---	0	0	0	0	450K	FS
Cow	CA-SHU	761	0	100	Ctn	---	22	-45	1	2	0	2	1M	ST

SHU – Shasta-Trinity Unit, Cal Fire

Alaska Area (PL 3)

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

Tutak Creek, Galena Zone, BLM. Previously reported incident. Started on state land 71 miles north of Kotzebue, AK. Short grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Munson Creek**, Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF. Started on BIA land 52 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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			
Haystack	AK-FAS	927	3	100	Ctn	---	264	14	7	4	2	0	3.6M	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Dry Creek	AK-TAD	19,000	0	0	Comp	7/10	63	0	2	0	0	0	360K	TRI
Tutak Creek	AK-GAD	5,606	1,830	0	Comp	7/10	0	-8	0	0	0	0	40K	ST
* Munson Creek	AK-FAS	329	---	0	Comp	7/30	20	---	1	0	0	0	29K	BIA
Noatak River	AK-GAD	12,765	---	0	Comp	7/10	0	---	0	0	0	0	20K	NPS
Olsons Lake	AK-UYD	4,511	---	0	Comp	8/7	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	BLM

TAD – Tanana Zone, BLM UYD – Upper Yukon Zone, BLM

Southern Area (PL 1)

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

Rare II, National Forests in Florida, USFS. Fifteen miles northeast of Lake City. FL. Southern rough. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Rare II	FL-FNF	3,270	---	90	Ctn	6/28	20	---	0	2	1	0	800K	FS

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	2	0	3
	ACRES	0	11,071	0	0	138	0	11,209
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	5	0	0	5	0	10
	ACRES	0	1	0	15	37	0	53
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	24	6	30
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	27	101	128
Southern California Area	FIRES	1	1	0	0	16	4	22
	ACRES	0	16	0	0	9	840	865
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	1	0	2	1	4
	ACRES	0	0	218	0	6	0	224
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	9	0	0	3	5	17
	ACRES	0	67	0	0	3	0	70
Southwest Area	FIRES	6	0	0	0	4	7	17
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	24	522	547
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	4	0	0	3	4	11
	ACRES	0	5,584	0	0	345	360	6,289
Eastern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	11	0	12
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	21	0	21
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL FIRES:		8	20	1	0	70	28	127
TOTAL ACRES:		1	16,739	218	15	610	1,824	19,407

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	77	0	0	169	7	253
	ACRES	0	49,972	0	0	10,840	5	60,817
Northwest Area	FIRES	66	122	14	1	957	144	1,304
	ACRES	7,470	597	148	17	11,012	7,003	26,247
Northern California Area	FIRES	5	11	3	4	1,656	236	1,915
	ACRES	8	20	331	0	6,558	475	7,392
Southern California Area	FIRES	13	75	11	8	2,052	228	2,387
	ACRES	1,292	3,408	199	2,841	14,341	5,521	27,603
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	771	22	8	1	508	162	1,472
	ACRES	72,146	571	564	20	18,941	20,342	112,584
Great Basin Area	FIRES	23	253	47	10	389	105	827
	ACRES	2,968	30,544	8	1,637	47,405	16,038	98,600
Southwest Area	FIRES	406	114	8	15	300	566	1,409
	ACRES	18,446	80,895	259	3,362	30,153	390,893	524,008
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	127	117	5	10	269	120	648
	ACRES	3,138	18,343	1,256	407	78,265	11,666	113,076
Eastern Area	FIRES	396	0	22	13	6,379	371	7,181
	ACRES	12,351	0	13,276	560	31,504	15,743	73,434
Southern Area	FIRES	374	0	52	35	11,855	364	12,680
	ACRES	28,684	0	11,844	8,183	237,648	27,289	313,648
TOTAL FIRES:		2,181	791	170	97	24,534	2,303	30,076
TOTAL ACRES:		146,503	184,350	27,885	17,027	486,667	494,977	1,357,409

Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)	26,127
Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)	1,829,243

***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	0	0	357	2,684
YUKON TERRITORY	0	1,399	23	5,616
ALBERTA	3	2	605	13,667
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	5	145	21	6,734
SASKATCHEWAN	7	0	180	13,318
MANITOBA	0	0	103	265,502
ONTARIO	3	416	414	35,164
QUEBEC	1	0	433	9,869
NEWFOUNDLAND	2	8	43	277
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	143	308
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	108	194
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	0
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	20	241
TOTALS	21	1,970	2,451	353,573

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: High pressure remains over the Pacific Northwest with very hot, record-setting temperatures. High temperatures will be 100-115°F for valley locations with low relative humidity in the afternoon. Very hot temperatures will also occur over portions of the Northern Rockies, northern Great Basin, and California. Easterly flow over the Southwest will start to bring more significant moisture westward with mixed wet and dry thunderstorms on the leading edge of the moisture surge across the Four Corners. Scattered wet thunderstorms are likely east of the Continental Divide in Colorado and New Mexico. Heavy rain remains likely along a stalled cold front from the southern Great Lakes into southeast New Mexico.

<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?

LCES

“The afternoon of June 26, 1990, as I knelt beside a dead Perryville firefighter, I made a promise to the best of my ability to help end the needless fatalities, and alleviate the near misses, by focusing on training and operations pertinent to these goals.” Paul Gleason from [“LCES and Other Thoughts.”](#) published June 1991.

Note: Gleason had used Lookouts, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones (LCES) with his crew, the Zig Zag Interagency Hot Shot Crew (IHC), for several years, but it was the Dude Fire fatalities that became the catalyst for LCES to hit the mainstream.

“LCES is just a re-focusing on the essential elements of the FIRE ORDERS. The systems view stresses the importance of the components working together. The LCES system is a result of analyzing fatalities and near misses for over 20 years of active fireline suppression duties. I believe that all firefighters should be given an interconnecting view of Lookout(s), Communications(s), Escape routes, and Safety zone(s).” ~ Paul Gleason

Gleason cites two types of hazards:

- Subjective hazards are those which one has direct control over (e.g., condition of the equipment, choices and decisions).
- Objective hazards are a natural part of the environment (e.g., lightning, fire-weakened timber, rolling rocks, entrapment). They cannot be eliminated, and one must either (1) not go into the environment where they exist, or (2) adhere to a procedure where safety from the hazard is assured.

Gleason suggested that LCES is the key to safe procedures in an environment of hazards and that LCES must be established AND communicated to ALL firefighters BEFORE it is needed.

Lookouts need to be in a position where **both** the objective hazard and the firefighters can be seen. Lookouts must be trained to observe the wildland fire environment and to recognize and anticipate changes in fire behavior. When the objective hazard becomes a danger, the lookout relays the information to the firefighters so they can reposition to the safety zone or a safer area.

- What are the objective hazards that a Lookout is looking for?
- What are the tools and skills that a good Lookout should possess?
- Discuss how your crew can utilize a roving Lookout.

Communications is the vehicle which delivers the message to the firefighters, alerting them of the approaching hazard. Communication must be prompt and clear.

- Radios are limited and it is vital to have at least one backup way to quickly communicate information. Identify some options that your crew/team can use as a backup.
- Discuss how each person on your crew/team has a role and responsibility in recognizing and communicating hazards.
- *Using Communication Responsibilities in the [Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\)](#), PMS 461 (white section), discuss the five communication responsibilities of every firefighter. Identify how your crew/team will translate these ideas into action when working in the field.*

Escape routes are the paths firefighters take from their current location, in which they are exposed to danger, to an area free from danger. Unlike the other components, there must always be more than one escape route available to the firefighter. With their effectiveness continually changing, escape routes are probably the most elusive component of LCES. As the firefighter works along the fire perimeter, fatigue and spatial separation increase the time required to reach the safety zone. On indirect or parallel firelines, situations become compounded. Unless escape routes have been identified ahead, as well as behind, a firefighter's retreat may not be possible.

- *Using LCES in the [IRPG](#) (Operational Engagement, green), discuss the qualities of effective escape routes.*

Safety Zones are planned locations where firefighters may find refuge from danger and where no fire shelter is needed. Fire intensity and topography determine a safety zone's effectiveness.

- **Activity:** *Using Safety Zones in the [IRPG](#) (Operational Engagement section, green), mark off a safety zone that would be effective for the area you are currently in or often work in. Being able to see just how big an effective safety zone should be can help us choose one quickly in the field. (FYI: The Safety Zone guidelines in the IRPG are for no-wind and no-slope conditions. Make necessary adjustments in size to reflect realistic slope and wind.*

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