

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Sunday, September 12, 2021 – 0730 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 5**

**National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Light (62 fires)
New large incidents:	2
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: ***	60
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	10
Type 2 IMTs committed:	16

Nationally, there are 42 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.

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Two hundred twenty-five soldiers from the 23rd Brigade Engineer Battalion and 2-3 Infantry Battalion based out of Joint Base Lewis-McChord are deployed in support of the Dixie Fire.

One MAFFS C-130 airtanker and support personnel each from the 152<sup>nd</sup> Airlift Wing (Nevada Air National Guard), three MAFFS from the 302<sup>nd</sup> Airlift Wing (Colorado Air Force Reserve), two MAFFS from the 153<sup>rd</sup> Airlift Wing (Wyoming Air National Guard) and two 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 141st Air Refueling Wing (Washington Air National Guard) and one RC-26 aircraft with Distributed Real-Time Infrared (DRTI) capability and support personnel from the 162nd Operations Group (Arizona Air National Guard) have been deployed to Sacramento, CA 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.

Two fire suppression crews from Quebec, Canada are supporting fire suppression efforts in Washington State.

Active Incident Resource Summary							
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	16	652,827	144	338	53	6,460	221
ONCC	10	2,021,662	171	843	114	12,746	-122
OSCC	4	37,389	15	23	15	576	-95
NRCC	24	393,041	23	125	15	1,745	-36
GBCC	5	57,215	8	4	9	321	1
SWCC	1	1,296	0	0	0	2	0
RMCC	3	7,897	6	13	8	289	48
EACC	3	28,675	4	29	2	443	-55
SACC	2	261	0	0	0	9	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>3,200,263</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>1,375</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>22,591</b>	<b>-30</b>

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

New fires:	3
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	9
NIMOs committed:	2
Type 1 IMTs committed:	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

**Dixie**, Butte Unit, Cal Fire. Unified command between NIMO (Team 1), IMT 1 (Cal Fire Team 1), IMT 1 (CA Team 1) and IMT 2 (CA Team 14). Fifteen miles northeast of Paradise, CA. Timber, brush and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Caldor**, Eldorado NF, USFS. Unified command between NIMO (Team 2), IMT 1 (Cal Fire Team 2) and IMT 1 (CA Team 4). Sixteen miles northeast of Plymouth, CA. Timber, light slash and brush. Active fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and smoldering. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Monument**, Shasta-Trinity NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (CA Team 5) to IMT 1 (NR Team 2) will occur tomorrow. IMT is also managing the Knob incident. One mile southwest of Del Loma, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, group torching and short-range spotting. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Knob**, Six Rivers NF, USFS. Two miles south of Willow Creek, CA. Timber and closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, creeping and smoldering. Communities of Willow Creek and Salyer and numerous residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**River Complex** (2 fires), Klamath NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 2). Nine miles southwest of Etna, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with flanking, single tree torching and short-range spotting. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**McCash**, Six Rivers NF, USFS. IMT 2 (GB Team 7). Fourteen miles northeast of Somes Bar, CA. Timber, closed timber litter and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, backing and short crown runs. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Antelope**, Klamath NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 10). Twenty miles northeast of McCloud, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Bridge**, Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit, Cal Fire. Two miles northeast of Auburn, CA. Chaparral, hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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			
Dixie	CA-BTU	960,213	6,517	65	Ctn	9/30	4,773	-121	53	360	38	1,329	519M	ST
Caldor	CA-ENF	218,764	305	65	Ctn	9/27	4,029	40	45	249	45	1,003	152M	FS
Monument	CA-SHF	209,287	1,902	43	Ctn	11/1	1,471	33	25	97	9	50	112M	FS
Knob	CA-SRF	2,421	0	98	Ctn	9/15	181	-10	4	25	0	0	5M	FS
River Complex	CA-KNF	185,624	10,412	21	Ctn	10/1	901	-34	16	65	14	15	45.2M	FS
McCash	CA-SRF	73,107	1,871	11	Ctn	10/31	510	3	7	12	5	0	22.2M	FS
Antelope	CA-KNF	143,512	0	66	Ctn	9/30	752	-5	18	22	2	17	51M	FS
Bridge	CA-NEU	411	0	90	Ctn	9/14	16	28	0	2	0	0	1.4M	ST

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

New fires:	3
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	20
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

**Cougar Peak**, Fremont-Winema NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 8). Fifteen miles northwest of Lakeview, OR. Timber, brush and medium slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, isolated torching and smoldering. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Devil's Knob Complex** (2 fires), Umpqua NF, USFS. IMT 1 (RM Team 1). Twenty miles northeast of Azalea, OR. Timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and single tree torching. Community of Ash Valley and structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Rough Patch Complex** (4 fires), Umpqua NF, USFS. IMT 1 (GB Team 2). IMT is also managing the Jack incident. Eighteen miles southwest of Oakridge, OR. Closed timber litter and timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

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

**Middle Fork Complex** (2 fires), Willamette NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 6). Nine miles northeast of Oakridge, OR. Timber and light slash. Active fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Schneider Springs**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 10). Eighteen miles northwest of Naches, WA. Short grass, timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Several communities and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Twenty-five Mile**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. IMT 1 (PNW Team 3). IMT 2 (SW Team 3) mobilizing. Twelve miles northwest of Chelan, WA. Short grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Summit Trail**, Colville Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (SW Team 4). Seventeen miles west of Inchelium, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

**Bull Complex**, Mt. Hood NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NR Team 4). Twenty-five miles northeast of Mill City, OR. Timber and closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and isolated torching. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Big Meadow**, Burns District, BLM. Twenty-eight miles west of Burns, OR. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, short-range spotting and backing. Residences threatened. Road closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Walker Creek**, Northeast Region, DNR. Four miles northwest of Wauconda, WA. Timber and closed timber litter. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences and infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Green Ridge**, Umatilla NF, USFS. Thirty miles east of Walla Walla, WA. Short grass, timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with smoldering, creeping and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Muckamuck**, Colville NF, USFS. Four miles northwest of Conconully, WA. Brush, closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cedar Creek**, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. Fifteen miles northwest of Winthrop, WA. Brush, closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cub Creek 2**, Southeast Region, DNR. Five miles north of Winthrop, WA. Brush, closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. 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			
Cougar Peak	OR-FWF	85,901	2,562	0	Ctn	10/5	793	99	17	65	6	10	4.1M	FS
Devils Knob Complex	OR-UPF	64,940	1,229	40	Ctn	10/15	866	57	20	56	4	1	38.2M	FS
Rough Patch Complex	OR-UPF	44,476	0	35	Ctn	10/31	809	32	25	18	10	1	25.8M	FS
Jack	OR-UPF	23,990	0	55	Ctn	10/31	5	0	0	1	0	0	45.2M	FS
Middle Fork Complex	OR-WIF	28,300	0	20	Ctn	10/15	750	74	18	31	6	0	40.8M	FS
Schneider Springs	WA-OWF	101,633	0	17	Ctn	10/31	671	-57	13	36	8	0	35M	FS
Twenty-five Mile	WA-OWF	21,130	78	41	Ctn	10/30	397	-4	7	18	4	14	21.9M	FS
Summit Trail	WA-COA	49,329	534	64	Ctn	10/31	681	2	13	26	4	0	46M	BIA
Bull Complex	OR-MHF	19,349	0	14	Ctn	10/30	588	22	12	24	5	1	20M	FS
Big Meadow	OR-BUD	2,448	-1,052	15	Ctn	9/24	180	55	5	8	1	0	600K	BLM
Walker Creek	WA-NES	23,608	0	80	Ctn	10/15	171	-9	3	14	1	17	23.7M	ST
Green Ridge	OR-UMF	42,722	0	40	Ctn	10/1	148	-23	1	11	1	0	43.3M	FS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Muckamuck	WA-COF	13,319	100	85	Ctn	10/1	157	17	5	8	1	7	13.8M	FS
Cedar Creek	WA-OWF	55,572	0	87	Ctn	10/31	65	4	1	5	2	2	39M	FS
Cub Creek 2	WA-SES	70,168	0	75	Ctn	10/1	44	2	0	6	0	3	26.7M	ST
Silver Creek	OR-BUD	86	-214	100	Ctn	---	0	-12	0	0	0	0	100K	BLM
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Pincer Creek	WA-MSF	980	---	0	Comp	10/1	4	---	0	0	0	0	90K	FS
Moraine Lake	WA-NCP	164	---	10	Comp	10/1	1	---	0	0	0	0	15K	NPS
Bear Creek	WA-NCP	857	---	10	Comp	10/1	2	---	0	0	0	0	90K	NPS
Nason	WA-OWF	676	---	15	Comp	11/1	9	---	0	1	0	0	220K	FS

MSF – Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie NF, USFS    NCP – North Cascades National Park, NPS

#### **Southern California Area (PL 4)**

New fires: 26  
New large incidents: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 4  
Type 2 IMTs committed: 3

**\* Paradise**, Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks, NPS. IMT 2 (RM Black Team) mobilizing. Nine miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and uphill runs.

**Windy**, Tule River Fire Department, BIA. IMT 2 (CA Team 11). Twenty-two miles east of Porterville, CA. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with short-range spotting, single tree torching and flanking. Structures threatened. Road closures in effect.

**French**, Central California District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (GB Team 6) back to the local unit will occur today. Twenty-eight miles northeast of Bakersfield, CA. Chaparral and timber. Minimal fire behavior with isolated torching, flanking and backing. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Walkers**, Sequoia NF, USFS. Twenty-seven miles northeast of Porterville, CA. Brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Paradise	CA-KNP	350	---	0	Ctn	9/18	26	---	1	1	4	0	500K	NPS
Windy	CA-TIA	300	185	0	Ctn	9/30	139	92	6	2	1	0	200K	BIA
French	CA-CND	26,535	-210	98	Ctn	9/14	340	-206	5	20	8	49	49M	BLM
Walkers	CA-SQF	8,777	0	98	Ctn	10/2	71	-7	3	0	2	0	5.5M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Tiltill	CA-YNP	2,323	---	90	Comp	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	286K	NPS

YNP – Yosemite NP

## **Northern Rockies Area (PL 2)**

New fires:	0
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	20
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Trail Creek**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NR Team 6). IMT is also managing the Alder Creek incident. Twenty miles west of Wisdom, MT. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and backing. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Alder Creek**, Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS. Twenty miles northwest of Wisdom, MT. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cabin Creek**, Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS. Fifteen miles west of Trout Creek, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Road closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Character Complex**, Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS. Three miles north of Kellogg, ID. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Communities of Murray and Eagle threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Boulder 2700**, Flathead Agency, BIA. Three miles northeast of Finley Point, MT. Closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Numerous residences threatened. Area and trail closures in effect.

**Burnt Peak**, Kootenai NF, USFS. Nine miles southwest of Troy, MT. Timber and light slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. 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 and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

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

**West Lolo Complex**, Lolo NF, USFS. Six miles north of St. Regis, MT. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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. Structures threatened.

**Cougar Rock Complex** (3 fires), Clearwater Potlatch Timber Protective Association, IDL. Seventeen miles northeast of Elk River, ID. Light slash and timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

**Granite Pass Complex** (2 fires), Lolo NF, USFS. Thirty miles southwest of Missoula, MT. Timber, closed timber litter 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			
Trail Creek	MT-BDF	49,440	0	29	Comp	11/1	477	30	8	35	7	0	22.7M	FS
Alder Creek	MT-BDF	33,237	0	32	Comp	11/1	64	0	1	6	2	1	25.7M	FS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Cabin Creek	ID-IPF	146	0	0	Ctn	10/15	24	0	0	3	0	0	500K	FS
Character Complex	ID-IPF	12,313	0	77	Ctn	11/1	167	6	2	7	0	0	27.4M	FS
Boulder 2700	MT-FHA	2,589	0	90	Ctn	10/1	65	0	1	3	0	31	8.3M	BIA
Burnt Peak	MT-KNF	4,099	0	41	Ctn	9/30	71	0	0	0	0	0	25M	FS
South Yaak	MT-KNF	12,489	0	89	Ctn	9/30	53	0	1	1	0	0	6M	FS
American Fork	MT-HLF	21,892	0	76	Ctn	10/15	45	1	0	3	1	0	8.9M	FS
Stateline Complex	ID-IPF	13,149	0	50	Ctn	11/1	88	18	1	2	1	0	3.3M	FS
West Lolo Complex	MT-LNF	39,053	0	80	Ctn	10/31	69	0	1	5	0	0	27.4M	FS
Harris Mountain	MT-LG02	31,603	0	92	Ctn	10/1	39	0	0	10	1	7	9.8M	CNTY
Cougar Rock Complex	ID-CTS	8,207	0	78	Ctn	9/15	54	0	0	7	0	0	20.5M	ST
Granite Pass Complex	MT-LNF	5,910	0	57	Ctn	9/15	9	0	0	1	0	0	10.5M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Haystack	MT-BDF	1,404	10	0	Comp	10/31	44	-3	1	1	1	0	232K	FS
Trestle Creek Complex	ID-IPF	6,631	0	79	Comp	10/15	139	-25	4	7	1	0	14M	FS
Woods Creek	MT-HLF	55,432	0	90	Comp	10/31	77	-51	0	9	0	1	22.7M	FS
Crooks	MT-FHA	2,906	0	0	Comp	9/30	74	0	1	9	0	0	4.3M	BIA
Dixie	ID-NCF	43,430	0	63	Comp	10/30	105	0	1	7	0	0	28.7M	FS
Sheep Creek	ID-NCF	7,221	0	0	Comp	11/30	2	-11	0	0	0	0	255K	FS
Hay Creek	MT-FNF	2,894	---	95	Comp	9/30	1	---	0	0	0	0	9.8M	FS
Larkins Complex	ID-IPF	4,638	---	80	Comp	11/1	1	---	0	0	0	0	23K	FS
Lynx	ID-NCF	6,370	---	0	Comp	10/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	260K	FS
Storm Theatre Complex	ID-NCF	22,370	---	10	Comp	10/15	17	---	0	1	0	0	4.9M	FS
Robertson Draw	MT-CGF	29,885	---	95	Comp	10/1	3	---	0	0	0	30	15M	FS
Swanson Creek	ID-NCF	975	---	0	Comp	10/10	4	---	0	1	0	0	321K	FS
Dry Cabin	MT-LNF	3,600	---	0	Comp	10/10	6	---	0	0	0	0	335K	FS
Jumbo	ID-NCF	2,750	---	46	Comp	10/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	112K	FS
Army Mule	ID-NCF	4,005	---	0	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FS
Greenside Butte	ID-NCF	725	---	0	Comp	10/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	13K	FS
Porphyry	ID-NCF	170	---	0	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

NCF – Nez Perce-Clearwater NF, USFS    FNF – Flathead NF, USFS    CGF – Custer Gallatin NF, USFS

### **Great Basin (PL 2)**

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



**Jakes Gulch**, Sawtooth NF, USFS. IMT 2 (EA Silver Team). Two miles west of Vienna, ID. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching, uphill runs and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Boundary**, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Twenty-four miles northwest of Stanley, ID. IMT 2 (GB Team 5). Timber, short grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with single tree torching and backing. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

\* **Legacy**, Northwest Area, Utah DOF. Three miles west of Farmington, UT. Tall and short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

**Oak Grove**, Dixie NF, USFS. Twenty miles northeast of St. George, UT. Timber, brush and slash. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. 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			
Jakes Gulch	ID-STF	460	23	4	Ctn	9/20	200	1	6	1	6	0	4M	FS
Boundary	ID-SCF	49,784	0	44	Comp	10/30	75	-1	1	3	2	2	2.9M	FS
* Legacy	UT-NWS	400	---	75	Ctn	9/14	1	---	0	0	0	0	100K	ST
Oak Grove	UT-DIF	771	0	90	Ctn	9/12	13	0	0	0	1	0	1.4M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Scarface	ID-SCF	5,800	0	20	Comp	9/30	32	0	1	0	0	0	500K	FS
Rush Creek	ID-PAF	7,945	---	62	Comp	10/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	340K	FS
Club	ID-PAF	2,331	---	62	Comp	10/15	2	---	0	0	0	0	303K	FS
Southern Bench	NV-NTE	21,000	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	1K	DOE
Mud Lick	ID-SCF	20,856	---	70	Comp	9/19	1	---	0	0	0	0	25M	FS
Tamarack	NV-HTF	68,637	---	84	Comp	9/15	27	---	0	1	1	25	34.7M	FS
Vinegar	ID-PAF	2,998	---	62	Comp	10/15	0	---	0	0	0	0	273K	FS

PAF – Payette NF, USFS    NTE - Nevada National Security Site, DOD    HTF – Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, USFS

### **Eastern Area (PL 2)**

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

**Greenwood**, Superior NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NR Team 3). Ten miles southwest of Isabella, MN. Brush, closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Numerous residences and infrastructure threatened. 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			
Greenwood	MN-SUF	26,797	0	67	Ctn	9/30	356	-3	3	27	2	71	16.7M	FS
John Ek	MN-SUF	1,357	0	100	Ctn	---	55	-52	0	2	0	0	2.8M	FS



**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 4  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 3

**Sand Creek**, Shoshone NF, USFS. Thirteen miles west of Lander, WY. Timber, short grass and brush. Active fire behavior with isolated torching, creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened.

**Black Mountain**, Medicine Bow-Routt NF, USFS. Thirteen miles northeast of Kremmling, CO. Timber, heavy slash and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

**Crater Ridge**, Bighorn NF, USFS. Thirty-one miles west of Sheridan, WY. Timber, heavy slash and short grass. Moderate 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			
Sand Creek	WY-SHF	749	524	0	Ctn	10/15	136	72	3	5	3	0	350K	FS
Black Mountain	WY-MRF	418	0	84	Ctn	10/31	120	-20	2	7	3	0	2.6M	FS
Crater Ridge	WY-BHF	6,730	0	68	Ctn	10/9	33	-4	1	1	2	1	13.8M	FS
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	---	35	Comp	10/1	6	---	0	2	0	0	12.2M	FS
Muddy Slide	WY-MRF	4,093	---	80	Comp	UNK	1	---	0	0	0	18	13.1M	FS
Sylvan	CO-WRF	3,792	---	90	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	7.2M	FS

WRF – White River NF, USFS

**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	1	2	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	2,515	2,515
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	22,317	22,317
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	5	17	4	26
	ACRES	0	0	0	298	58	103	459
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	6	0	0	10	1	17
	ACRES	0	17	0	0	0	17	35
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	1	2	4
	ACRES	0	300	0	0	0	2	302
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	4	3	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	13	12	25
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>24,965</b>	<b>25,652</b>

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	112	0	0	238	19	369
	ACRES	0	157,619	0	0	95,730	5	253,354
Northwest Area	FIRES	204	284	32	16	2,175	595	3,306
	ACRES	147,749	6,046	13,292	1,041	167,397	722,745	1,058,268
Northern California Area	FIRES	61	37	5	23	2,808	509	3,443
	ACRES	286	296	351	2	429,983	1,202,152	1,633,070
Southern California Area	FIRES	21	113	12	86	3,509	521	4,262
	ACRES	1,374	6,780	199	8,567	20,245	44,754	81,918
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	1,255	103	23	5	1,429	738	3,553
	ACRES	121,405	31,689	2,755	51	465,824	312,681	934,405
Great Basin Area	FIRES	49	727	53	29	831	530	2,219
	ACRES	3,324	78,129	10	1,703	89,910	156,043	329,118
Southwest Area	FIRES	644	197	9	32	355	935	2,172
	ACRES	26,508	83,964	1,528	3,367	33,335	494,348	643,049
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	645	423	6	26	649	331	2,080
	ACRES	12,255	25,762	1,260	1,118	109,009	26,568	175,972
Eastern Area	FIRES	564	0	51	32	7,470	460	8,577
	ACRES	12,729	0	14,381	1,174	34,958	43,792	107,035
Southern Area	FIRES	404	0	58	43	13,480	395	14,380
	ACRES	28,774	0	11,883	8,497	268,166	27,592	344,912
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>3,847</b>	<b>1,996</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>32,944</b>	<b>5,033</b>	<b>44,361</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>354,405</b>	<b>390,284</b>	<b>45,658</b>	<b>25,520</b>	<b>1,714,557</b>	<b>3,030,679</b>	<b>5,561,102</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>44,303</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>6,171,734</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/>

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A mid-level shortwave trough will move through northern portions of the West. Another trough will move over Quebec and portions of the Northeast. A Pacific cold front will move through the Northwest into the Northern Rockies, while another front stalls across the central Plains and Great Lakes. An upper high will remain over the Southeast and extend westward over the Southwest. Dry and breezy conditions are likely in portions of the of the Great Basin, Wyoming, Colorado, central and southern Plains, and the mountain passes and deserts of southern California. Very hot and dry conditions will continue across much of the Southwest, southern California, Colorado, and southern Plains with drier conditions returning to northern California and the northern Great Basin. Isolated to scattered mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are possible over the Colorado Rockies, higher terrain of Wyoming, and onto the adjacent High Plains. Isolated thunderstorms may redevelop overnight across northern Utah into southern Wyoming and northwest Colorado.

<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?

## Tuolumne Fire (California) – September 12, 2004

**Incident Summary:** The Tuolumne Fire was reported by a Stanislaus National Forest lookout at 1233 hours. Dispatch initiated a standard response, including the dispatch of a helicopter with helitack crew. At 1259, Air Attack (ATGS) arrived over the fire and reported it to be between 5 and 10 acres, spreading upslope and upcanyon with a steady 3 to 5 mph wind. The fire was burning near the bottom of the Tuolumne River Canyon, just upstream of a major river confluence, at 1,450 feet elevation in light, flashy fuels (predominantly oak leaf litter, light grass, and mixed brush with an oak overstory, consistent with Fuel Model 2). Fine Dead Fuel Moisture (FDFM) was 4-5% and live fuel moistures were at critical stage. Temperature was 89-94 °F, relative humidity (RH) 18-24%, and there was no frontal or thunderstorm activity. The canyon is very steep, observed to be 80-120% slope. At approximately 1335, the helitack crew began constructing downhill fireline. Ten minutes later they took emergency action when a sudden wind shift caused the fire to flare-up and overrun their position. Of the seven-person crew, three firefighters suffered minor injuries and one firefighter was killed.

**1305** – The helicopter arrived over the fire and dropped the crew on a gravel bar  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile downstream of the fire. They hiked from the landing zone (LZ) upcanyon to a dirt road that paralleled the river and walked the road toward the right flank of the fire. The fire was burning both above and below the road. Their helicopter was directed to begin dropping water on the right flank **above** the road.

A local Division Chief was dispatched to the fire to be the Incident Commander (IC). He drove past the helitack crew to the right flank and observed a slow backing fire, then returned to the location of the helitack crew, which was still hiking. Talking with the helitack captain, he did not identify himself as IC, announce a strategy, or explain specific tactics. He did state that he wanted the crew to find a safe anchor point but the crew understood him to want them to “anchor this fire on the right flank, the road **down** to the river.”

**1335** – The crew arrived at the right flank on the road and looked for access to the river and safe access to the bottom of the fire. The ATGS and IC decide to continue to use the helicopter on the right flank **above** the road. The helitack captain heard this exchange on the radio. ATGS received a radio call about a spot fire and missed discussion about the helitack crew working below the road. (In a post-incident interview, the ATGS stated that he thought the crew was above the road.)

After scouting down the right flank about 70 feet, it was decided to construct indirect fireline downhill for 250 to 300 feet to the river, burning out from the road as they went. Safety zones were identified as down to the river, up to the road, or into the black. All crew members agreed with the plan and informed their helicopter pilot.

An engine was assigned to support the helitack crew. The crew was not notified that the engine was assigned to support them and that it was close by.

**1340** – Firefighters located about 30 feet down the line from the road remark that the burn out is pulling in nicely. There was a “flutter” in the wind and the three firefighters closest to the road were told to grab backpack pumps just in case.

**1345** – A sudden wind shift caused the fire to flare-up, change direction, and overrun the crew. Thirty seconds later, one crew member was dead. No fire shelters were deployed.

### Discussion Points:

- During size-up, what fire behavior did the personnel observe? If you were at a fire in a similar setting, what local terrain features and other factors might lead you to distrust the observed fire behavior?
- It is common for people to have communication problems. On an incident where these issues can easily compromise anyone's safety, what are you going to do to minimize communication errors as a crew member? Crew boss? Pilot? IC?
- Your crew has been dispatched to this fire. How will you handle the Lookout aspect of LCES? It is common to hear that “everyone on the crew is a lookout.” Discuss what each person must do to make this an effective alternative to the traditional lookout.
- This fire had Air Attack and a helicopter assigned. Discuss if and how aerial resources can be used as additional lookouts and sources of information. What are some downfalls to using them in this role?

Resources: [Tuolumne Fire Report and other documents](#)

[Video "Remembering Eva - What you can learn from firefighter Eva Schicke's death on the Tuolumne fire" from the "Firefighter Remember This" series](#)

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