

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, August 16, 2022 – 0730 MDT
National Preparedness Level 3**

National Fire Activity:

Initial attack activity:	Light (129 fires)
New large incidents:	9
Large fires contained:	5
Uncontained large fires: **	23
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	3
Type 2 IMTs committed:	7
***Complex IMTs committed:	0

***Complex Incident Management Teams (CIMTs) are configured to respond to large, complex fires and can expand and reduce staffing in all functional areas as necessary to meet the needs of the incident.

Nationally, there are 51 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 RC-26 aircraft with Distributed Real-Time Infrared (DRTI) capability and support personnel from the 141st Air Refueling Wing (Washington Air National Guard) have been deployed to Boise, ID. 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 Eugene, OR in support of wildland fire operations.

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

Active Incident Resource Summary							
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	14	56,085	62	106	16	2,427	32
ONCC	4	113,481	87	203	25	3,511	-294
OSCC	3	19,676	6	9	6	246	176
NRCC	13	29,740	19	26	9	807	-203
GBCC	9	91,555	27	76	16	1,427	223
SWCC	3	342,473	2	5	2	471	-28
RMCC	3	9,332	0	14	0	61	0
EACC	1	1	0	2	0	10	10
SACC	20	14,097	4	40	2	360	41
Total	70	676,439	207	481	76	9,320	-43

Northern California Area (PL 3)

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

2022 SRF Lightning Complex (3 fires), Six Rivers NF, USFS. NIMO (NIMO Team 1) and IMT 2 (CA Team 11). One mile northeast of Willow Creek, CA. Timber and slash. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and spotting. Several communities, numerous structures and infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

McKinney, Klamath NF, USFS. IMT 2 (CA Team 12). Fifteen miles northwest of Yreka, CA. Timber, tall grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with backing, creeping and smoldering. Several communities and numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Yeti, Klamath NF, USFS. Eight miles northeast of Happy Camp, CA. Closed timber litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Several communities, numerous structures and communication infrastructure threatened. Evacuations, road and trail closures in effect.

Leilani, U.S. Army Garrison Hawaii-Pohakuloa Training Area, DOD. Twenty miles southeast of Waikoloa Village, HI. Tall grass and chaparral. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Numerous structures threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
2022 SRF Lightning Complex	CA-SRF	20,052	3,128	19	Ctn	8/27	2,087	42	57	145	14	2	24.4M	FS
McKinney	CA-KNF	60,392	0	95	Ctn	8/30	1,175	-336	23	49	4	185	57.8M	FS
Yeti	CA-KNF	7,886	0	90	Ctn	8/20	200	0	5	6	3	0	14.5M	FS

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		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Leilani	HI-PTYQ	25,000	0	70	Ctn	8/31	49	0	0	3	4	0	310K	DOD

Northwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	25
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	4
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	3

White River, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. IMT 2 (NW Team 7). IMT is also managing the Irving Peak fire. Twenty-three miles northwest of Leavenworth, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with short-range spotting, flanking and backing. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Irving Peak, Okanogan-Wenatchee NF, USFS. Twenty-six miles northwest of Leavenworth, WA. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and short-range spotting. Residences threatened.

Windigo, Umpqua NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (NW Team 6) to IMT 2 (NW Team 10) will occur today. IMT is also managing the Potter and Big Swamp fires. Twenty miles southwest of La Pine, OR. Closed timber litter, timber and medium slash. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Potter, Willamette NF, USFS. Forty-six miles southwest of La Pine, OR. Closed timber litter, timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with wind-driven runs, torching and spotting. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Big Swamp, Willamette NF, USFS. Thirty-seven miles southwest of La Pine, OR. Closed timber litter, timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, isolated torching and short-range spotting. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Cedar Creek, Willamette NF, USFS. IMT 1 (PNW Team 2). Fifteen miles east of Oakridge, OR. Timber and closed timber litter. Active fire behavior with backing, isolated torching and smoldering. Structures 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			
White River	WA-OWF	600	200	0	Comp	10/30	117	0	2	12	2	0	1.3M	FS
Irving Peak	WA-OWF	180	5	0	Comp	10/31	74	0	2	5	0	0	500K	FS
Windigo	OR-UPF	1,007	-45	78	Ctn	10/1	379	28	5	14	4	0	11.3M	FS
Potter	OR-WIF	459	29	0	Ctn	10/30	363	9	15	7	4	0	6M	FS
Big Swamp	OR-WIF	121	0	0	Ctn	10/30	129	27	5	2	0	0	750K	FS
Cedar Creek	OR-WIF	4,422	166	0	Ctn	10/1	739	22	18	14	5	0	11.2M	FS

Northern Rockies Area (PL 3)

New fires:	6
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	3

* **Sutton**, Kootenai NF, USFS. Thirteen miles southeast of Eureka, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with group torching, long-range spotting and short crown runs. Road and trail closures in effect.

Deep Draw, Crow Agency, BIA. Ten miles east of Bridger, MT. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences and energy infrastructure threatened.

Elmo, Flathead Agency, BIA. Eight miles west of Elmo, MT. Grass and timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping, backing and single tree torching. Structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

* **Cannon**, Flathead NF, USFS. Fifteen miles northeast of Condon, MT. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with group torching, short-range spotting and wind-driven runs. 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			
* Sutton	MT-KNF	100	---	0	Ctn	10/15	68	---	2	0	3	0	500K	FS
Deep Draw	MT-CRA	794	144	40	Ctn	8/17	105	-57	4	6	0	0	700K	BIA
Elmo	MT-FHA	21,349	0	76	Ctn	8/20	200	-189	5	9	1	8	15.1M	BIA
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Cannon	MT-FNF	765	---	0	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	14K	FS
Redhorn	MT-FHA	511	0	0	Comp	10/1	109	20	3	2	2	0	2.6M	BIA
Weasel	MT-KNF	1,650	59	0	Comp	9/30	18	0	0	2	0	0	1.2M	FS
Hog Trough	MT-BRF	832	0	71	Comp	10/15	139	-18	0	1	3	0	8.4M	FS
Clover	MT-BDF	1,103	---	51	Comp	10/30	58	---	2	2	0	0	2M	FS
Diamond Watch	ID-IPF	341	---	0	Comp	9/30	26	---	1	1	0	0	286K	FS
Indian Ridge	MT-BRF	2,562	---	0	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	13K	FS

BRF – Bitterroot NF, USFS BDF – Beaverhead-Deerlodge NF, USFS IPF – Idaho Panhandle NF, USFS

Great Basin Area (PL 2)

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

Moose, Salmon-Challis NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (GB Team 1) to IMT 1 (NR Team 2) will occur today. Seventeen miles north of Salmon, ID. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, smoldering and single tree torching. Numerous residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

* **Ross Fork**, Sawtooth NF, USFS. Six miles east of Atlanta, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with group torching and short crown runs. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Porphyry**, Payette NF, USFS. Nine miles east of Warren, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with backing and flanking. Structures threatened. Last narrative report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Moose	ID-SCF	78,084	0	34	Ctn	9/15	949	-64	16	49	7	7	44.5M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
* Ross Fork	ID-STF	200	---	5	Comp	10/1	6	---	0	0	0	0	300K	FS
* Porphyry	ID-PAF	400	---	0	Comp	10/15	8	---	0	0	0	0	20K	FS
Woodtick	ID-SCF	5,543	0	17	Comp	9/15	41	0	1	0	2	0	3.1M	FS
Norton	ID-SCF	407	---	0	Comp	10/31	15	---	0	0	0	0	85K	FS
Dismal	ID-PAF	950	---	0	Comp	10/15	9	---	0	0	1	0	28K	FS
Halfway Hill	UT-SCS	11,702	---	90	Comp	10/1	17	---	0	2	0	2	11.7M	ST
Goshute	NV-EKD	1,966	---	95	Comp	9/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	3.7M	BLM
Wolf Fang	ID-SCF	1,064	---	0	Comp	10/1	1	---	0	0	0	0	35K	FS

SCS – South Central Area, Utah DOF EKD – Elko District, BLM

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	17
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1

Oak, Mariposa-Merced Unit, Cal Fire. Five miles northeast of Mariposa, CA. Tall grass, 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			
Oak	CA-MMU	19,244	---	98	Ctn	11/1	65	---	0	3	1	194	91.5M	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Red	CA-YNP	232	---	0	Comp	9/28	5	---	0	1	0	0	20K	NPS

YNP – Yosemite NP

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	43
New large incidents:	5
Uncontained large fires	7
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Juniper Road Two, North Carolina Forest Service. IMT 2 (NC State Red Team). Seven miles northwest of Holly Ridge, NC. Southern rough. Active fire behavior with smoldering.

Pine Pond, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land nine miles east of Bastrop, TX. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with backing and creeping. Residences and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

* **Red River 4915**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 19 miles northeast of Paris, TX. Timber. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs and torching. Structures threatened.

* CW, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land four miles southwest of Gainesville, TX. Tall grass and brush. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs and flanking.

* **Black Rock**, Osage Agency, BIA. Thirteen miles northeast of Pawhuska, OK. Tall grass. Active fire behavior with running and group torching. Structures threatened.

Birthday, Talihina Agency, BIA. Twelve miles southwest of McAlester, OK. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with flanking, backing and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Bear Creek, National Forests and Grasslands in Texas, USFS. Eight miles northeast of Groveton, TX. 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			
Juniper Road Two	NC-NCS	1,226	0	53	Ctn	9/15	94	3	0	0	0	0	297K	ST
Pine Pond	TX-TXS	700	0	50	Ctn	8/16	130	-9	3	21	0	0	NR	PRI
* Red River 4915	TX-TXS	100	---	10	Ctn	8/18	39	---	0	2	1	0	NR	PRI
* CW	TX-TXS	346	---	75	Ctn	8/18	19	---	0	5	0	1	NR	PRI
* Black Rock	OK-OSA	2,743	---	60	Ctn	8/20	10	---	1	1	0	0	3K	BIA
Birthday	OK-TLA	254	0	90	Ctn	8/18	22	0	0	3	0	0	250K	BIA
Bear Creek	TX-TXF	344	---	95	Ctn	UNK	13	---	0	1	0	0	245K	FS
Burns Creek	TX-TXS	398	0	100	Ctn	---	0	-11	0	0	0	6	NR	PRI
* Harvey	TX-TXF	106	---	100	Ctn	---	4	---	0	0	0	0	14K	FS
* Trail 3 (50)	FL-FLS	106	---	100	Ctn	---	2	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Kanga Way	FL-FLS	700	0	100	Comp	---	1	0	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

FLS – Florida Forest Service

Southwest Area (PL 2)

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

Hermits Peak, Santa Fe NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 3). Twelve miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Hardwood litter and timber. Minimal fire behavior. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Hermits Peak	NM-SNF	341,735	0	98	Ctn	10/18	460	-28	2	5	1	913	293M	FS
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Dragon	AZ-GCP	1,362	0	0	Comp	9/1	7	-20	0	1	0	0	900K	NPS
Keystone	AZ-FTA	471	---	60	Comp	10/1	2	---	0	1	0	0	50K	BIA
C-3	AZ-TCA	1,378	0	100	Comp	---	6	-130	0	0	0	0	1.8M	BIA

GCP – Grand Canyon NP, NPS FTA – Fort Apache Agency, BIA TCA – Truxton Canyon Agency, BIA

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

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

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Sugarloaf	WY-MRF	839	---	60	Comp	8/17	9	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

MRF – Medicine Bow-Routt NF, Thunder Basin National Grassland, USFS

Alaska Area (PL 1)

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

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Shiilik	AK-UYD	538	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	FWS
Goose	AK-UYD	11,984	---	0	Comp	10/1	12	---	0	0	0	0	80K	FWS
Christian	AK-UYD	8,769	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	TRI
Kocacho	AK-UYD	6,874	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	80K	TRI
Bean Complex	AK-TAD	212,504	---	98	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	11.7M	ST
Minnkohwin	AK-TAD	4,718	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FWS
Paradise Complex	AK-TAD	275,703	---	65	Comp	9/1	6	---	1	0	1	0	2.8M	BLM
Bearman	AK-UYD	683	---	0	Comp	10/1	0	---	0	0	0	0	80K	TRI
Clear	AK-FAS	73,284	---	91	Comp	8/31	18	---	0	1	0	33	27.1M	ST
Hardscrabble Creek	AK-SWS	2,514	---	0	Comp	10/31	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	ST
Middle Tanana Complex	AK-DAS	62,861	---	0	Comp	10/31	1	---	0	0	0	0	3.4M	ST
Poorman Complex	AK-GAD	140,356	---	0	Comp	UNK	65	---	1	0	0	0	135K	BLM

UYD – Upper Yukon Zone, BLM TAD – Tanana Zone, BLM FAS – Fairbanks Area, Alaska DOF

SWS – Southwest Area, Alaska DOF DAS – Delta Area, Alaska DOF GAD – Galena Zone, BLM

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	2,512	0	0	0	0	2,512
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	3	1	0	6	15	25
	ACRES	0	7	2	0	9	18	36
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	10	0	10
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	25,018	0	25,018
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	15	2	17
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	10	3	13
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	3	3	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	128	5	133
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	4	0	0	4	3	11
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5	1,175	1,180
Southwest Area	FIREs	2	0	0	3	0	4	9
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	2	1	0	0	1	2	6
	ACRES	0	9	0	0	0	6	15
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIREs	19	0	0	0	23	1	43
	ACRES	2,905	0	0	0	14	1	2,919
TOTAL FIRES:		23	8	1	3	64	30	129
TOTAL ACRES:		2,905	2,528	2	0	25,184	1,208	31,827

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	184	0	0	341	30	555
	ACRES	0	1,521,914	0	0	1,561,118	10	3,083,042
Northwest Area	FIREs	128	226	21	18	581	501	1,475
	ACRES	1,213	45,412	257	3	13,216	7,494	67,594
Northern California Area	FIREs	6	22	5	15	2,128	229	2,405
	ACRES	2	286	20	44	14,127	78,642	93,121
Southern California Area	FIREs	23	36	7	23	2,770	339	3,198
	ACRES	114	295	102	5,372	18,527	2,055	26,464
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	346	18	4	2	696	273	1,339
	ACRES	25,215	2,103	527	1	8,661	7,089	43,595
Great Basin Area	FIREs	28	450	5	30	554	220	1,287
	ACRES	6,828	26,322	58	29	36,166	125,634	195,038
Southwest Area	FIREs	378	182	6	26	515	754	1,861
	ACRES	39,403	13,326	15	2,717	159,631	760,788	975,880
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	251	287	12	20	984	241	1,795
	ACRES	18,057	5,922	130	597	177,307	10,620	212,632
Eastern Area	FIREs	88	0	20	11	5,249	316	5,684
	ACRES	253	0	680	17	38,855	2,890	42,696
Southern Area	FIREs	769	4	26	64	21,265	622	22,750
	ACRES	103,177	88	5,942	2,929	1,025,408	39,480	1,177,023
TOTAL FIRES:		2,017	1,409	106	209	35,083	3,525	42,349
TOTAL ACRES:		194,261	1,615,669	7,731	11,709	3,053,015	1,024,701	5,917,086

Ten Year Average Fires (2012 – 2021 as of today)

37,938

Ten Year Average Acres (2012 – 2021 as of today)

4,493,445

***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	17	947	801	35,651
YUKON TERRITORY	1	1	273	175,285
ALBERTA	14	3	786	113,456
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	4	19	198	388,314
SASKATCHEWAN	1	835	317	224,371
MANITOBA	2	0	124	134,371
ONTARIO	1	0	189	2,424
QUEBEC	6	1	348	29,573
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	2	71	23,989
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	172	134
NOVA SCOTIA	1	0	114	3,369
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	2	0
NATIONAL PARKS	1	0	49	6,340
TOTALS	49	1,808	3,493	1,137,274

*1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: Hot, dry, and locally breezy conditions are likely across much of central and northern California, the Inland Northwest, northern Great Basin, and Northern Rockies, with an increase of fire activity expected. Isolated mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are likely in the central and northern Sierra into northeast California and possibly south-central Oregon, with drier storms more likely farther north. Storms are expected mostly along and east of the Sierra and Cascade Crests, but there is potential for some of them to drift west of the crests, with a few storms continuing overnight. Isolated to scattered mixed wet and dry thunderstorms are likely across the southern Sierra and southern into central and western Nevada, with wetter thunderstorms in southeast California, including eastern slopes of the Peninsular Ranges. Widespread monsoon thunderstorms are expected across Arizona into New Mexico, southern Utah, and southern Colorado. Thunderstorms and showers remain likely across far southwest Texas and south Texas and along much of the Gulf and southeast Atlantic coasts. Scattered thunderstorms are also likely across much of Kansas and Oklahoma into the Lower Mississippi Valley.

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



Transfer Of Command

Operational Engagement Category

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents during transfer of command. Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES –Lookouts, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No or poor briefing of incoming personnel.
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed.
- Communications: face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked in and the Incident Commander (IC) may not be aware of the number, type, and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.
- Not all resources know who is in command.

Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: identify escape routes and ensure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.
- Plan for transitions to occur at the morning briefing.
- Utilize the [NWCG Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\), PMS 461](#), Briefing Checklist (inside back cover).

References:

10 Standard Firefighting Orders, PMS 110, <https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/pms110>

10 and 18 Poster, PMS 110-18, <https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/pms110-18>

18 Watch Out Situations, PMS 118, <https://www.nwcg.gov/publications/pms118>

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Interagency Standards for Fire & Fire Aviation Operations (Red Book), <https://www.nifc.gov/standards/guides/red-book>