# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report <br> Friday, September 14, 2012 - 0530 MT <br> National Preparedness Level 3 

## National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:
New large fires:
Large fires contained:
Uncontained large fires: **
Area Command Teams committed: 1
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 7
Type 2 IMTs committed: 15
** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.
Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Two MAFFS from the $146^{\text {th }}$ Airlift Wing, Channel Islands (California Air National Guard), and the $145^{\text {th }}$ Airlift Wing, Charlotte, NC are supporting wildland fire suppression operations out of Sacramento, CA.

## Northwest Area (PL 4)

New fires: 28
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 16
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 6
Wenatchee Complex (6 fires), Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 1 (Pendleton). Two miles west of Wenatchee, WA. Timber, brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Okanogan Complex (3 fires), Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (Williams). Eight miles southeast of Carlton, WA. Timber and grass. Running fire with torching and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Yakima Complex, Okanogan/Wenatchee NF. IMT 2 (Johnson). Seventeen miles northwest of Ellensburg, WA. Timber, logging slash and brush. Active fire behavior with crown runs and group tree torching. Residences and power lines threatened. Road closures in effect.

Pole Creek, Deschutes NF. IMT 2 (Watts). Six miles southwest of Sisters, OR. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching. Numerous residences threatened. Area closures in effect.

Cascade Creek, Gifford Pinchot NF. IMT 2 (LaFave). Eight miles north of Trout Lake, WA. Timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and spotting.

Apache Pass, Washington State. IMT 2 (Leitch). Seventeen miles southwest of Creston, WA. Brush and grass. Smoldering. Structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Barker Canyon Complex (2 fires), Spokane District, BLM. IMT 2 (Nickey). Six miles southwest of Grand Coulee, WA. Brush and hardwood slash. Smoldering. Structures threatened.

Cache Creek, Wallowa-Whitman NF. Forty-two miles northeast of Enterprise, OR. Brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | \% <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| Wenatchee <br> Complex | WA | OWF | 28,300 | 3,300 | 10 | UNK | 1,144 | 241 | 30 | 158 | 7 | 1 | 3.4 M | FS |
| Okanogan <br> Complex | WA | OWF | 2,660 | 1,290 | 4 | UNK | 349 | 143 | 11 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 432 K | FS |
| Yakima Complex | WA | OWF | 612 | 410 | 20 | UNK | 704 | 73 | 19 | 73 | 3 | 1 | 1.3 M | FS |
| Pole Creek | OR | DEF | 5,000 | 417 | 10 | UNK | 716 | 98 | 18 | 27 | 8 | 0 | $2.4 M$ | FS |
| Cascade Creek | WA | GPF | 4,500 | 2,350 | 0 | UNK | 579 | 94 | 17 | 7 | 5 | 0 | $1.7 M$ | FS |
| Apache Pass | WA | WFS | 23,202 | $-1,298$ | 80 | $9 / 14$ | 129 | 16 | 3 | 14 | 0 | 4 | 260 K | ST |
| Barker Canyon <br> Complex | WA | SPD | 91,883 | 0 | 63 | $9 / 18$ | 263 | -52 | 6 | 48 | 0 | 12 | $1.6 M$ | BLM |
| Cache Creek | OR | WWF | 73,697 | 0 | 90 | $9 / 26$ | 47 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | $11 M$ | FS |
| Parish Cabin | OR | MAF | 6,481 | 0 | 100 | --- | 13 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | $6.2 M$ | FS |
| Manila Creek <br> Complex | WA | COA | 1,641 | 0 | 100 | --- | 203 | -67 | 5 | 12 | 1 | 0 | $960 K$ | BIA |

## Northern Rockies Area (PL 4)

New fires: 9

New large fires: 4
Uncontained large fires: 5
Type 1 IMTs committed: 3
Type 2 IMTs committed: 3
Sawtooth, Bitterroot NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Heintz) to IMT 1 (Poncin) will occur today. Seven miles southwest of Hamilton, MT. Timber. Creeping with single tree torching. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

McGuire Complex, Nez Perce NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Pearson) to IMT 1 (Joseph) will occur today. One mile northwest of Dixie, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching and spotting. Communities threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Sheep, Nez Perce NF. IMT 1 (Turman). One mile east of Lucille, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Moderate fire activity with torching. Structures threatened.

Millie, Gallatin NF. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Kidd) back to the local unit will occur today. Twenty miles south of Bozeman, MT. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Bean Canyon, Central Land Office, Montana DNR. Fifteen miles northeast of Toston, MT. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching.

Highway 13/20, Fort Peck Agency BIA. Twenty-five miles southeast of Scobey, MT. Grass. No further information received.

* Cougar, Bitterroot NF. Twenty miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.
* Weasel Complex, Clearwater NF. Forty miles southwest of Lolo, MT. Timber and brush. Moderate fire activity. Road closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.
* Shasta Lake, Nez Perce NF. Eighteen miles northeast of Lowell, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.
* Isabella Complex, Clearwater NF. Twenty-five miles north of Pierce, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Elbow Pass Complex, Lewis \& Clark NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles southwest of Augusta, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with group tree torching and short uphill runs. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Ditch, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-three miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Pettibone, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-eight miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Vista, Nez Perce NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty-three miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Timber. Structures threatened. Trail closures in effect. Active fire behavior. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Hamilton, Bitterroot NF. Previously reported incident. Fifty-five miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

East Fork, Helena NF. Previously reported incident. Ten miles northwest of Lincoln, MT. Timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs. Area closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Burnt Strip, Bitterroot NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-seven miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Beaver Jack, Bitterroot NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Green Mountain, Bitterroot NF. Previously reported incident. Twenty-eight miles southwest of Conner, MT. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | \% <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| Sawtooth | MT | BRF | 4,625 | 125 | N/A | N/A | 477 | 86 | 11 | 30 | 5 | 0 | 3.1 M | FS |
| McGuire Complex | ID | NPF | 26,502 | 1,000 | 2 | $10 / 31$ | 464 | -33 | 12 | 24 | 5 | 0 | 7.5 M | FS |
| Sheep | ID | NPF | 23,861 | 756 | 24 | UNK | 591 | -18 | 14 | 36 | 7 | 1 | 4.1 M | FS |
| Millie | MT | GNF | 10,185 | 0 | 75 | $11 / 1$ | 304 | -25 | 6 | 10 | 5 | 0 | $7.7 M$ | FS |
| Bean Canyon | MT | CES | 4,325 | 525 | 68 | $9 / 16$ | 136 | -10 | 3 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 511 K | ST |
| Highway 13/20 | MT | FPA | 10,000 | 0 | 90 | UNK | 17 | -13 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | $75 K$ | BIA |
| *Cougar | MT | BRF | 2,404 | --- | N/A | N/A | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $6 K$ | FS |
| * Weasel <br> Complex | ID | CWF | 375 | --- | N/A | N/A | 1 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 K | FS |


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| * Shasta Lake | ID | NPF | 345 | --- | N/A | N/A | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 K | FS |
| * Isabella <br> Complex | ID | CWF | 100 | --- | N/A | N/A | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 K | FS |
| Elbow Pass <br> Complex | MT | LCF | 22,283 | --- | N/A | N/A | 6 | --- | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 M | FS |
| Ditch | ID | NPF | 10,955 | --- | N/A | N/A | 17 | --- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 K | FS |
| Pettibone | ID | NPF | 10,893 | --- | N/A | N/A | 2 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 K | FS |
| Vista | ID | NPF | 6,473 | --- | N/A | N/A | 14 | --- | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 180 K | FS |
| Hamilton | MT | BRF | 6,108 | --- | N/A | N/A | 1 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 K | FS |
| East Fork | MT | HNF | 2,700 | --- | N/A | N/A | 10 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 75 K | FS |
| Burnt Strip | MT | BRF | 2,216 | --- | N/A | N/A | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 K | FS |
| Beaver Jack | MT | BRF | 1,483 | --- | N/A | N/A | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 K | FS |
| Green Mountain | MT | BRF | 1,297 | --- | N/A | N/A | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 K | FS |
| Vimy | MT | LED | 489 | -511 | 100 | --- | 20 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 10 K | BLM |

LED - Lewistown Field Office, BLM

## Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 4)

New fires:
10
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 3
Area Command Teams committed: 1
Type 1 IMTs committed: 2
Type 2 IMTs committed: 3
Area Command Team (Loach) is assigned to the Salmon-Challis National Forest to manage the Mustang Complex and Halstead fire.

Mustang Complex (4 fires), Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 1 (Sciacca). Three miles northwest of North Fork, ID. Timber, brush and grass. Backing fire with torching. Communities threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

Horsethief Canyon, Teton County. IMT 2 (Ourada). Five miles south of Jackson, WY. Timber, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering with torching. Numerous structures, communications site and Snow King Ski Resort threatened.

Wesley, Payette NF. IMT 2 (Suwyn). Twelve miles northwest of New Meadows, ID. Timber. Active fire behavior with torching and spotting. Residences threatened.

Halstead, Salmon-Challis NF. IMT 2 (Adell). Eighteen miles northwest of Stanley, ID. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior. Structures and power lines threatened. Area closures in effect.

Trinity Ridge, Boise NF. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (Kurth) back to the local unit will occur today. Seven miles northwest of Featherville, ID. Timber. Isolated torching. Structures threatened. Road and area closures in effect.

Merino, Salmon-Challis NF. Previously reported incident. Thirty miles northwest of Challis, ID. Timber. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Fontenelle, Bridger-Teton NF. Previously reported incident. Eighteen miles west of Big Piney, WY. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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| Mustang Complex | ID | SCF | 297,949 | 3,189 | N/A | N/A | 988 | -113 | 15 | 87 | 5 | 7 | $25.6 M$ | FS |
| Horsethief <br> Canyon | WY | TDX | 3,324 | 406 | 36 | $10 / 20$ | 587 | 110 | 12 | 43 | 8 | 0 | $2.8 M$ | CNTY |
| Wesley | ID | PAF | 4,356 | 286 | 5 | UNK | 352 | 85 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 0 | $1.3 M$ | FS |
| Halstead | ID | SCF | 154,372 | 417 | N/A | N/A | 318 | -18 | 5 | 11 | 2 | 0 | $24 M$ | FS |
| Trinity Ridge | ID | BOF | 146,677 | 0 | 64 | $10 / 1$ | 209 | -55 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 13 | $40.3 M$ | FS |
| Merino | ID | SCF | 7,100 | --- | N/A | N/A | 1 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $43 K$ | FS |
| Fontenelle | WY | BTF | 65,220 | --- | N/A | N/A | 3 | --- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | $12.6 M$ | FS |
| West Cricket | UT | RID | 703 | 0 | 100 | --- | 4 | -1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | $10 K$ | BLM |
| * Transfer Station | ID | FHA | 350 | --- | 100 | --- | 35 | --- | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | $80 K$ | BIA |

RID - Richfield Field Office, BLM
FHA - Fort Hall Agency, BIA

## Northern California Area (PL 3)

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

1

North Pass, Mendocino NF. Twenty-five miles northeast of Covelo, CA. Timber and logging slash. Creeping and smoldering. Road and area closures in effect.

Bagley, Shasta-Trinity NF. IMT 2 (Cooper). IMT is also managing the Ward fire. Four miles west of Big Bend, CA. Timber, logging slash and brush. Backing fire. Road and area closures in effect.

Scotts, Mendocino Unit, Cal Fire. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Hoffman). Eight miles east of Ukiah, CA. Chaparral and grass. No further information received.

Likely, Northern California District, BLM. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Truett) back to the local unit will occur tomorrow. Three miles south of Likely, CA. Timber, juniper, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering with occasional torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

* Cheney, Lassen-Modoc Unit, Cal Fire. One mile southwest of Susanville, CA. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with short-range spotting. Structures threatened.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s}$ | $\%$ <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| North Pass | CA | MNF | 41,983 | 0 | 97 | $9 / 16$ | 250 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 26 | 30 M | FS |
| Bagley | CA | SHF | 46,011 | 0 | 95 | $9 / 15$ | 455 | -13 | 6 | 14 | 3 | 0 | $33 M$ | FS |


| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s}$ | \% <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| Scotts | CA | MEU | 4,618 | 0 | 90 | $9 / 14$ | 771 | -460 | 36 | 55 | 1 | 0 | 6.1 M | ST |
| Likely | CA | NOD | 9,859 | -141 | 95 | UNK | 337 | -52 | 10 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 3.9 M | BLM |
| *Cheney | CA | LMU | 230 | --- | 40 | $9 / 14$ | 328 | --- | 10 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 202 K | ST |
| Stafford | CA | SHF | 4,407 | -54 | 100 | -- | 513 | -319 | 11 | 22 | 1 | 0 | 11 M | FS |
| Ward | CA | SHF | 550 | 0 | 100 | --- | 503 | -75 | 16 | 34 | 2 | 0 | $1 M$ | FS |

## Rocky Mountain Area (PL 3)

New fires:
New large fires:
Uncontained large fires:
Type 2 IMTs committed:
Sheep Herder Hill Complex, Natrona County. IMT 2 (Pechota). Eight miles south of Casper, WY. Timber. Creeping and smoldering with single tree torching. Numerous structures and communication sites threatened. Evacuations in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | $\%$ <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| Sheep Herder Hill <br> Complex | WY | NAX | 15,416 | -471 | 70 | $9 / 15$ | 330 | -24 | 6 | 25 | 3 | 58 | 1.9 M | CNTY |

## Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:
New large fires:
Uncontained large fires:

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0
2

Measles-Bluestem, Osage Agency, BIA. Twelve miles southwest of Pawhuska, OK. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Stabler, Osage Agency, BIA. Five miles east of Wynona, OK. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s}$ | $\%$ <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| Measles-Bluestem | OK | OSA | 1,218 | --- | 90 | UNK | 11 | --- | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 20 K | BIA |
| Stabler | OK | OSA | 756 | -- | 90 | UNK | 6 | -- | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 20 K | BIA |

## Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires:
New large fires:
Uncontained large fires:

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Shotley, Minnesota DNR. Two miles north of Saum, MN. Timber. No new information.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s}$ | $\%$ <br> Ctn | Est <br> Ctn | Totl <br> Pers | Pers <br> Chge <br> $\mathbf{2 4 ~ H r s ~}$ | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc <br> Lost | \$\$ <br> CTD | Origin <br> Own |
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| Shotley | MN | MNS | 288 | -- | UNK | $9 / 16$ | 70 | --- | 1 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 25 K | ST |

## Other Fires

(As of September 14)

| GACC | Fires | Cumulative <br> Acres | Crews | Engines | Helicopters | Total <br> Personnel |
| :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| AK | 1 | 40,529 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NW | 2 | 105,336 | 4 | 12 | 2 | 154 |
| NO | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SO | 1 | 4,192 | 3 | 0 | 5 | 150 |
| NR | 27 | 98,859 | 2 | 12 | 3 | 250 |
| EB | 6 | 16,687 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 26 |
| WB | 1 | 768 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 11 |
| SW | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| RM | 2 | 27,115 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 96 |
| EA | 1 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| SA | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 41 | 293,491 | 10 | 33 | 16 | 695 |

This table does not include fires reported in the large fire section of this report. Updated weekly.

Predictive Services Discussion: Warm and dry conditions will continue across the West as high pressure builds over the region. Cooler weather will drop into the Plains and the upper and mid-Mississippi Valley as a cold front pushes toward the East coast. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop across Texas and Oklahoma, some with heavy rain. Rain and few thunderstorms will move into New England. The Southeast and Mid-Atlantic will remain warm and dry.
http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.html

Today's discussion is from the LCES (Lookouts, Communication, Escape Routes, Safety Zones) Category.

## Subjective vs. Objective Hazards

A popular mountaineering test divides the alpinists' hazards into two distinct types: subjective, which one has direct control over (e.g., condition of the equipment, the decision to turn back) and objective hazards which are inherent to the alpine environment (e.g., avalanches, rock fall).

Objective hazards are a natural part of the environment. They cannot be eliminated and either one must not go into the environment where they exist or adhere to a procedure where safety from the hazard is assured.

Similarly, the wildland firefighter's hazards are either subjective or objective. Examples of subjective hazards would be working below a dozer constructing fireline or the use of improper techniques while felling a tree. The fireline supervisor has direct control over these types of hazards.

The wildland fire environment has four basic objectives hazards; lightning, fire-weakened timber (standing and lying), rolling rocks and entrapment by running fires. When these hazards exist the options are to not enter the environment or to adhere to a safe procedure. I feel the key to this safe procedure is LCES.

Although, the following discussion applies to all objective hazards, we will directly address fire entrapments.

- Indentify subjective or objective hazards of working in the vicinity of:
- Dozer(s) or Tractor Plows
- Snags
- Helicopters
- Fixed Wing Aircraft
- Other Engines and Vehicles
- ATVs
- Oil and Gas Wells and Pipelines
- Power lines

References:
"LCES and Other Thoughts" by Paul Gleason

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.
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## Fires and Acres Yesterday

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 0 |  | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 2 | 1 |  | 1 | 8 | 16 | 28 |
|  | ACRES | 1 | 3 |  | 1 | 5 | 2 | 12 |
| Northern California | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 14 | 1 | 15 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 61 | 0 | 61 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  |  |  | 3 | 9 | 4 | 16 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 98 | 11 | 0 | 109 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 3 | 1 |  |  | 2 | 3 | 9 |
|  | ACRES | 402 | 17 |  |  | 0 | 13,987 | 14,406 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 2 |  |  | 6 | 1 | 10 |
|  | ACRES | 350 | 263 |  |  | 1 | 4,703 | 5,317 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES |  | 1 |  |  |  | 2 | 3 |
|  | ACRES |  | 3 |  |  |  | 0 | 3 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 2 |  |  |  | 2 | 2 | 6 |
|  | ACRES | 32 |  |  |  | 1 | 246 | 279 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 6 |  |  |  | 11 | 5 | 22 |
|  | ACRES | 165 |  |  |  | 11 | 29 | 205 |
| Southern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 1 | 6 | 7 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 1 | 7 | 8 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 14 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 54 | 40 | 117 |
|  | ACRES | 950 | 286 | 0 | 99 | 91 | 18,974 | 20,400 |

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES | 1 | 37 | 30 | 20 | 266 | 5 | 359 |
|  | ACRES | 43 | 51,334 | 39,679 | 68,105 | 89,860 | 0 | 249,021 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 173 | 201 | 26 | 26 | 646 | 708 | 1,780 |
|  | ACRES | 17,587 | 1,105,491 | 1,901 | 16 | 40,664 | 199,101 | 1,364,760 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 98 | 23 | 2 | 11 | 2,441 | 533 | 3,108 |
|  | ACRES | 171 | 423,780 | 0 | 28,526 | 28,829 | 288,942 | 770,248 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 31 | 157 | 10 | 58 | 2,715 | 563 | 3,534 |
|  | ACRES | 43 | 32,676 | 8 | 1,697 | 33,414 | 10,132 | 77,970 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 1,114 | 205 | 37 | 22 | 610 | 772 | 2,760 |
|  | ACRES | 362,506 | 298,831 | 11,263 | 2,371 | 180,712 | 309,130 | 1,164,813 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 59 | 801 | 1 | 31 | 767 | 563 | 2,222 |
|  | ACRES | 29,445 | 755,232 | 2 | 2,121 | 208,039 | 930,014 | 1,924,853 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | 5 | 632 | 2 | 16 | 189 | 138 | 982 |
|  | ACRES | 1,200 | 690,705 | 0 | 28 | 59,353 | 26,934 | 778,220 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 719 | 197 | 12 | 42 | 520 | 997 | 2,487 |
|  | ACRES | 33,697 | 5,201 | 187 | 4,334 | 33,752 | 460,481 | 537,652 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 1,224 | 508 | 35 | 38 | 1,583 | 632 | 4,020 |
|  | ACRES | 122,762 | 52,005 | 3,872 | 837 | 629,787 | 186,364 | 995,627 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 712 |  | 49 | 18 | 8,012 | 579 | 9,370 |
|  | ACRES | 1,878 |  | 4,776 | 402 | 80,301 | 10,557 | 97,914 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 495 |  | 77 | 46 | 14,601 | 586 | 15,805 |
|  | ACRES | 45,700 |  | 32,812 | 16,752 | 255,085 | 80,782 | 431,131 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 4,631 | 2,761 | 281 | 328 | 32,350 | 6,076 | 46,427 |
|  | ACRES | 615,032 | 3,415,255 | 94,500 | 125,189 | 1,639,796 | 2,502,437 | 8,392,209 |


| Ten Year Average Fires | 59,262 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Ten Year Average Acres | $\mathbf{6 , 4 0 2 , 4 8 6}$ |

Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Northern California | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Southern Area | FIRES |  |  |  |  | 24 | 1 | 25 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  |  | 322 | 2 | 324 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 1 | 25 |
|  | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 322 | 2 | 324 |

## Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Alaska | FIRES |  |  |  | 2 | 10 |  | 12 |
|  | ACRES |  |  |  | 18 | 13,314 |  | 13,332 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 8 | 66 | 17 |  |  | 158 | 249 |
|  | ACRES | 3,502 | 7,193 | 1,335 |  |  | 32,015 | 44,045 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 3 | 13 | 22 | 21 |  | 146 | 205 |
|  | ACRES | 108 | 203 | 22,621 | 151 |  | 10,872 | 33,955 |
| Southern California | FIRES |  | 6 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 159 | 181 |
|  | ACRES |  | 1,521 | 381 | 946 | 1,831 | 4,120 | 8,799 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 16 | 8 | 73 | 3 | 27 | 192 | 319 |
|  | ACRES | 1,822 | 4,608 | 18,434 | 233 | 1,553 | 20,854 | 47,504 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES |  | 11 | 2 | 4 | 20 | 42 | 79 |
|  | ACRES |  | 898 | 188 | 230 | 324 | 18,824 | 20,464 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |  | 3 | 4 |  | 13 | 4 | 24 |
|  | ACRES |  | 1,262 | 419 |  | 279 | 221 | 2,181 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 31 | 17 | 12 | 16 |  | 131 | 207 |
|  | ACRES | 1,214 | 8,519 | 5,512 | 228 |  | 38,954 | 54,427 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 23 | 13 | 109 | 21 | 13 | 51 | 230 |
|  | ACRES | 2,100 | 1,543 | 21,564 | 2,492 | 1,283 | 8,662 | 37,644 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 37 |  | 498 | 41 | 968 | 152 | 1,696 |
|  | ACRES | 22,116 |  | 78,915 | 9,054 | 57,638 | 57,595 | 225,318 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 23 |  | 146 | 53 | 8,855 | 840 | 9,917 |
|  | ACRES | 4,783 |  | 59,839 | 37,634 | 479,869 | 814,126 | 1,396,251 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 141 | 137 | 888 | 166 | 9,912 | 1,875 | 13,119 |
|  | ACRES | 35,645 | 25,747 | 209,208 | 50,986 | 556,091 | 1,006,243 | 1,883,920 |

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

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## Canada Fires and Hectares

| Provinces | Fires | Hectares | Fires <br> Year-To-Date | Hectares <br> Year-To-Date |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| British Columbia | 51 | 1,499 | 1,385 | 53,836 |
| Yukon Territory | 1 | 0 | 126 | 92,116 |
| Alberta | 17 | 13,924 | 1,425 | 392,982 |
| Northwest Territory | 4 | 9,849 | 273 | 294,035 |
| Saskatchewan | 3 | 43 | 395 | 231,807 |
| Manitoba | 0 | 0 | 449 | 228,951 |
| Ontario | 63 | 899 | 1,507 | 146,653 |
| Quebec | 7 | 0 | 773 | 70,077 |
| Newfoundland | 1 | 0 | 192 | 137,469 |
| New Brunswick | 10 | 0 | 338 | 360 |
| Nova Scotia | 0 | 0 | 344 | 817 |
| Prince Edward Island | 0 | 84 | 5 | 93 |
| National Parks | 0 | 0 | 76 | 272,177 |
| Total | 157 | 26,297 | 7,288 | $1,921,371$ |

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