



Morning Brief

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Preparedness Levels

Northwest PL

Current	3-Day	10-Day
5 (7/19)	5 (7/19)	5 (7/19)

National PL

5 (7/18)

Northwest Historic PL

See [Preparedness Level](#) Product

Northwest IMT Rotation (7/23– 7/30)

For additional IMT information refer to the [IMT Status/Rotation](#) page <https://gacc.nifc.gov/nwcc/content/products/intelligence/teams.pdf>

NW Area Complex Incident Management Teams (CIMT)

Northwest Incident Activity

63 fires for 22,872 acres
OR: 32 fires for 7,765 acres
WA: 31 fires for 15,107 acres

Large Fire Summary

New large incidents: 8
Reported incidents: 40 (OR: 31 WA: 9)
83,342 acres growth on existing incidents

Northwest IMT Activity

Complex IMTs committed: 13
Type 1 IMTs committed: 2
NIMOs committed: 0

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (130 fires)
New large incidents: 11
Large fires contained: 3
Uncontained large fires: 68

National IMT Activity

Complex IMTs committed: 22
Type 1 IMTs committed: 5
NIMOs committed: 0

*Nationally, there are seven fires being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

Northwest Activity Summary

Morning clouds west of the Cascades led to sunny skies across the area. Along the coast temperatures were in the mid to upper 60s. Other west side locations were mostly in the mid-70s. East of the Cascades continued to be in the mid to upper 90s with a few temperatures in the 100s. Humidities remained in the 30-40s west of the Cascades and teens to 20s east of the Cascades. Winds were gusty, as high as 40 mph in the wind prone areas east of the Cascades. Scattered precipitation was received with storms. Light to moderate lightning occurred in eastern Oregon. Initial attack was heavy. The Big Horn fire grew to 15,000 acres.

Northwest Current Incident Details

Incidents listed below meet large fire criteria and/or incidents with a Complex or Type 1 IMT assigned. Large incidents are defined as fires which are 100+ acres in timber or 300+ acres in grass/brush. For additional information on incidents no longer listed below please refer to the [Northwest Large Incident Summary](#) or [Northwest Fires Utilizing Other than Full Suppression Strategies](#)

Incidents not Previously Reported: 8

Telephone. OR-MAF-000523. CIMT NW Team 8. 16 miles N of Burns, OR. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 350 acres. 0% containment. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with short crown runs, running and spotting. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures. CIMT NW Team 8 will manage this incident.

Bighorn. WA-WFS-000470. IMT3. 7 miles SE of Bickleton, WA. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 15,000 acres. 1% containment. Grass and brush. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, running and uphill runs. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. Road and area closures.

Microwave Tower. OR-954S-000661. ICT3. 5 miles SW of Mosier, OR. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 150 acres. 0% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior with wind-driven runs, torching and short-range spotting. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures.

Durgan. OR-OCF-000502. ICT4. 8 miles NE of Palina, OR. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 3,000 acres. 0% containment. Grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running and spotting. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened.

Thompson. OR-VAD-240159. ICT3. 5 miles E of Durkee, OR. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 3,500 acres. 0% containment. Brush and grass. Extreme fire behavior with wind driven runs, uphill runs and running. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. Road closures.

Crazy Creek. OR-OCF-000501. ICT3. 16 miles E of Palina, OR. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 500 acres. 0% containment. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with isolated torching and spotting.

Rainbow Lake. WA-NES-001585. ICT4. 6 miles W Cordell, WA. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Human. 150 acres. 0% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior. Limited information available.

Black Canyon. WA-SES-000475. ICT4. 2 miles SE of Wenas, WA. Start 7/22. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 4,500 acres. 0% containment. Grass. Active fire behavior. Evacuations in effect. Structures, infrastructure and cultural areas threatened. Road closures. Limited information available.

Incidents Previously Reported: 32

Durkee. OR-VAD-240141. Unified Command. CIMT NW Team 6/OSFM Green Team. 1 mile W of Durkee, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 173,759 acres (+28,202). 0% containment. Brush, grass and timber. Extreme fire behavior with wind driven runs, running and short-range spotting. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road closures.

Cow Valley. OR-VAD-240129. CIMT NW Team 6. 9 miles SE of Ironside, OR. Start 7/11. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 133,490 acres (+0). 78% containment. Brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Bonita Road. OR-VAD-240128. CIMT NW Team 6. 9 miles SE of Ironside, OR. Start 7/11. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 2,727 acres (+0). 90% containment. Brush. Minimal fire behavior.

Battle Mountain Complex. OR-973S-000250. ODF Team 3. West of Ukiah, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 43,067 acres (+13,095). 3% containment. Grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running, group torching and spotting. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures. This complex includes 3 fires.

0404 RV Lone Rock. OR-PRD-000404. Unified Command. CIMT NW Team 2/OSFM Red Team. 10 miles SE of Condon, OR. Start 7/13. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 124,556 acres (+7,993). 40% containment. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, flanking and group torching. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures.

Boneyard. OR-953S-024112. ODF Team 1. 10 miles NW of Monument, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 30,154 acres (+15,552). 2% containment. Grass. Extreme fire behavior with short crown runs, uphill runs, and spotting. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures.

Courtrock. OR-953S-024122. ODF Team1. 7 miles S of Monument, OR. Start 7/21. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 300 acres (+0). 0% containment. Grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running, spotting and torching. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. Road closures. No new information received.

Falls. OR-MAF-002502. Unified Command. CIMT NW Team 8/OSFM Blue Team. 20 miles NW of Burns, OR. Start 7/10. **Full Suppression.** Cause Human. 132,751 acres (+11,832). 40% containment. Timber. Extreme fire behavior with short crown runs, running and spotting. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures. CIMT AK Team 1 mobilizing. Inbrief planned for tomorrow at 1800.

Cougar Creek. WA-SES-020209. CIMT NW Team 13. 35 miles SE of Dayton, WA. Start 7/15. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 10,766 acres (+2,495). 23% containment. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with uphill runs and flanking. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures.

Pioneer. WA-SES-000173. CIMT NW Team 3. 10 miles SE of Stehekin, WA. Start 6/8. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 30,352 acres (+358). 14% containment. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and single tree torching. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures.

Easy. WA-OWF-000435. CIMT NW Team 3. 9 miles S of Cedar Crossing, WA. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 345 acres (+45). 0% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and single tree torching. Road, trail and area closures.

Diamond Complex. OR-UPF-240303. CIMT NW Team 7. 8 miles W of Diamond Lake, OR. Start 7/19. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 3,021 acres (+205). 3% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior with flanking, single tree torching and short-range spotting. Evacuations in effect. Road, trail and area closures. This complex includes 12 fires.

Swawilla I. WA-COA-240089. CIMT NR Team 6. 11 miles E of Grand Coulee, WA. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 7,291 acres (+1,791). 0% containment. Grass and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, short-range spotting and isolated torching. Evacuations in effect. Structures threatened. Road and trail closures.

Bridge Creek. WA-COA-240099. CIMT NR Team 6. 15 miles S of West Fork, WA. Start 7/19. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 2,398 acres (+898). 0% containment. Grass and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, short-range spotting and group torching. Evacuation notices. Road closures.

Ore. OR-WIF-240195. CIMT NW Team 10. 7 miles NE of Blue River, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Human. 645 acres (+0). 0% containment. Brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, torching and group torching. Road, trail and area closures.

Homestead Complex. OR-UPF-240311. CIMT GB Team 5. 30 NE of Glide, OR. Start 7/19. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 1,048 acres (+753). 0% containment. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, smoldering and isolated torching. This complex includes 8 fires.

Pyramid. OR-WIF-240210. CIMT CA Team 5. 15 S of Detroit, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 535 acres (+0). 0% containment. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Evacuations in effect. Road, trail and area closures.

Moss Mountain. OR-WIF-240214. CIMT RM Team 1. 15 SE of Oakridge, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 70 acres (+0). 0% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior. No new information received.

Chalk. OR-WIF-240203. CIMT RM Team 1. 10 miles N of Oakridge, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 600 acres (+0). 0% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. No new information received.

Cottage Grove Complex. OR-771S-000028. CIMT NCNCS Team 1. 15 miles SE of Springfield, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 562 acres (+0). 10% containment. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing, flanking and single tree torching. Road and area closures. This complex includes approximately 9 fires, including the Lane 1 incident.

Whisky Creek. OR-MHF-000639. ICT4. 6 miles SE of Cascade Locks, OR. Start 7/20. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Human. 130 acres (-35). 0% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior with isolated torching, short-range spotting and flanking. Evacuation notices. Road, trail and area closures. Transfer of command to CIMT GB Team 6 planned tomorrow at 0600.

Red. OR-DEF-000438. IMT3. Start 7/17. 10 NE of Diamond Lake, OR. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 262 acres (-163). 0% containment. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. EA Team 1 mobilizing. Inbrief planned tomorrow at 1800. Transfer of command planned 7/26 at 0600.

Wickiup. OR-DEF-000445. ICT3. 11 miles NW of La Pine, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 276 acres (+76). 40% containment. Timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. Road, trail and area closures. EA Team 1 mobilizing. Inbrief planned tomorrow at 1800. Transfer of command planned 7/26 at 0600.

CR Jackpine. OR-PRD-00465. ICT4. 3 miles SW of La Pine, OR. Start 7/19. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 180 acres (+0). 50% containment. Brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened. EA Team 1 mobilizing. Inbrief planned tomorrow at 1800. Transfer of command planned 7/26 at 0600.

Clark 900. OR-NOD-77031. IMT3. 37 miles NE of Roseburg, OR. Start 7/18. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 437 acres (+0). 0% containment. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and single tree torching.

Cat Rock. OR-951S-000471. IMT3. 6 miles N of Prineville, OR. Start 7/20. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 219 acres (+0). 30% containment. Timber. Minimal. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened.

Larch Creek. OR-954S-000514. ICT3. 5 miles SW of Dufur, OR. Start 7/9. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Human. 18,286 acres (+0). 85% containment. Brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Evacuation notices. Structures threatened.

Knot. OR-981S-240234. ICT3. 4 miles SW of Sprague River, OR. Start 7/21. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 1,200 acres (+0). 50% containment. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior.

Middle Fork. OR-CLP-240223. IMT3. 57 miles NE of Medford, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 189 acres (+47). 1% containment. Timber. Active fire behavior with and short-range spotting and group torching. Trail closures.

Shoofly. WA-OWF-000367. ICT4. 16 miles NE of Skykomish, WA. Start 7/8. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 104 acres (+0). 60% containment. Timber and brush. Minimal fire behavior. No new information received.

Jack Canyon Mutual Aid. OR-973S-000224. ICT3. 4 miles SW of Pilot Rock, OR. Start 7/17. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Undetermined. 19,000 acres (+0). 94% containment. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior. No new information received. **Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

Salt Creek. OR-MED-009002. ICT3. 5 miles SW of Butte Falls, OR. Start 7/7. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Human. 4,102 acres (+0). 100% containment. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Road closures. **Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

Northwest Fire Weather Summary

Winds and thunderstorms somewhat ease today, but low-level instability remains for eastern Oregon areas away from storms. Wednesday's mixed wet/dry thunderstorms will be confined from across south central Oregon to northeast Oregon. Coverage will be greater toward the southeast, but NE Oregon storms may be more prolific lightning producers. General winds ramp up at all elevations Wednesday mainly from the Cascade crest eastward from a dry cold frontal passage in the afternoon. Winds continue through Thursday. Thursday also begins a cooling, but dry, trend lasting into early next week for the remainder of the Geographic Area. Some thunderstorms may clip SE Oregon Thursday. Then, low (10% or less) chances return Sunday and Monday. The overall trend will be for temperatures and humidity returning closer to normal through the weekend.

Northwest Fire Potential Summary

Lightning will continue to produce new ignitions further taxing initial attack resources. Continued dry weather the next several days will provide ample opportunity for holdover fires. ERC and 1000-hour fuel moistures largely remain around the 97th and 3rd percentile values respectively with overall fire danger slightly diminishing into next week. However, the short-term drought conditions will slow the reduction and particularly for central and eastern PSAs as fuels remain especially dry. Lighter fuels will remain prone to active fire spread, particularly during the afternoons and evenings. Heavier fuels will see little change despite the cooler temperatures given an absence of observed and forecasted significant rainfall.

More info: [NWCC 7-Day Significant Fire Potential Forecast](#), and [National 7-Day Significant Fire Potential](#)

National Incident Management Situation Report (IMSR): <https://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>

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