



Morning Brief

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Northwest Activity Summary

Very hot temperatures persist throughout the region: Grants Pass in Southwest Oregon at 108 degrees and Oroville on the Canadian border in Washington at 101 degrees. Winds were generally light throughout the geographic area except in areas with thunderstorm activity. Relative humidity values reached single digit or near single digit values in many locations in Eastern Washington. Scattered lightning occurred across Central and Eastern Oregon. Precipitation associated with thunderstorms was generally light except directly under storm cores where heavy rain was recorded in several locations. 3 additional Incident Management Teams have been deployed in the region. IMT1 ODF Team 2 (Cline) to the Garner Complex near Grants Pass, OR. IMT2 NW Team 6 (Sheldon) to the Miles incident on the Umpqua NF and IMT2 NW Team 8 (Johnson) to the Cemetery incident in Central Oregon. The region recorded 87 new fires yesterday for 531 acres.

Preparedness Levels

Northwest PL

Current	3-Day	10-Day	30-Day
3 (7/17)	3	4	3

National PL
3 (6/29)

Northwest Incident Activity

New Fires and Acres

87 fires for 531 acres
OR: 76 fires for 454 acres
WA: 8 fires for 77 acres

Large Fire Summary

New large incidents: 2
Reported incidents: (OR: 6 WA: 3)
20 acres growth on existing incidents.

Northwest IMT Activity

NIMOs Committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Heavy (302) new fires
New large incidents: 20
Large fires contained: 4
Uncontained large fires: 48

National IMT Activity

Area Command Teams: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 4

*Nationally, there are 21 large fires being managed under a strategy other than Full Suppression

Northwest Current Incident Details

Incidents listed below meet large fire criteria and/or incidents with a Type 1 or 2 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 [NW Large Incident Summary](#) or [Northwest Fires Utilizing Monitor, Confine, Point Zone Protection Suppression Strategies \(YTD\)](#)

Incidents not Previously Reported: 2

Natchez. OR-RSF-000348. IMT2, NW Team 10 (Lawson). 15 miles SE of Cave Junction, OR. Start 7/16. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 60 acres. Timber. Active fire behavior. Steep terrain, not readily accessible. Potential threat to powerlines.

Cemetery. OR-PRD-000701. IMT2, NW Team 8 (Johnson) is mobilizing. 32 miles ESE of Prineville, OR. Start 7/16. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 300 acres. Timber. Active fire behavior. Well-established in timber, heavy dead and down fuel. Threat to infrastructure, sage grouse habitat and old growth. In briefing at 1800 hours.

Incidents Previously Reported: 7

Hendrix. OR-RSF-000278. IMT2, NW Team 12 (Harrod). 3 miles SW of Ashland, OR. Start 7/15. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Lightning. 170 acres (+20). Timber. Active fire behavior. Spotting. Threat to residences and private timber. Steep, rugged terrain. Highly visible to the public.

Rocky Reach. WA-SES-000322. ICT3. 7 miles N of Wenatchee, WA. Start 7/13. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Unknown. 3,386 acres (-41). 70% containment. Grass and Brush. Minimal fire activity. Structures threatened.

Rattlesnake. WA-COA-180090. IMT3. 19 miles NW of Davenport, WA. Start 7/12. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Unknown. 2,600 acres. 50% containment. Grass and Brush. Moderate fire behavior. Steep terrain. Lined. **No new information received.**

Hwy 97 & MP 37. WA-YAA-000085. IMT3. 21 miles NE of Goldendale, WA. Start 7/14. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Human. 630 acres (-70). 70% containment. Grass and Brush. Mop up stages. No growth expected. **Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

Currey Canyon. OR-VAD-000099. ICT3. 1 mile NE of Juntura, OR. Start 7/14. **Full Suppression.** Cause: Unknown. 3,100 acres. 90% containment. Grass and Brush. Minimal fire behavior. Ramping down, releasing resources. **Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

Wagner Complex. OR-711S-008919. Medford ODF. Start 7/15. Approximately 35 fires. 250 acres (+50). Cause: Lightning. Includes Greentop at 120 acres. **Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

Gravel. OR-RSF-000291. 8 miles NW of Prospect, OR. Start 7/15. Cause: Lightning. 5 acres. Timber. **Last report on morning briefing unless significant activity occurs.**

Northwest Fire Weather Summary

A marine air mass starts moving into the region today which will bring a bit of cooling, but also breezy to windy conditions in mountain gaps and across the basins in Central Washington and Central Oregon this afternoon through Wednesday evening. The National Weather Service has issued some Red Flag Warnings for combination of wind and low relative humidity for this period. Check your local NWS for details and timing for your area. Warm and dry conditions will persist through the work week for most of the region.

Northwest Fire Potential Summary

Gusty winds in the Columbia Gorge and the basins east of the Cascades will boost the behavior of new and existing fires this afternoon and tomorrow. Continued warm and dry conditions through the forecast period will elevate fire danger indices which are already high enough across the region that fire starts from light or moderate amounts of lightning or human sources could challenge initial attack resources.

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

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

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