



USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Region Incident Update: Wednesday, August 8, 2018, 2130 MDT

Overview: IMT2 (Greer) will assume command of the Plateau Fire tomorrow morning. Moderate fire risk is expected through Friday then peaking on Saturday. Nationally there are 60 uncontained large fires with over 30,000 personnel assigned. Tomorrow is Smokey Bear's 74th birthday. Smokey Bear was born on Aug. 9, 1944, when the U.S. Forest Service and the Ad Council agreed that a fictional bear would serve as a symbol to promote wildfire prevention.

Bull Draw, Uncompahgre NF. IMT2 (Pisarek). Twelve miles northwest of Nucla, CO. Timber and brush. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, backing, and group torching. Fire is burning on BLM and a portion of FS. Area, road and trail closures in place on BLM and FS lands.

Silver Creek, Medicine Bow-Routt NF's. IMT3 (Dueker). Sixteen miles northwest of Kremmling, CO, in the Sarvis Creek Wilderness. Timber. Active fire behavior with group torching and short-range spotting. Continued drying trend over the next several days. Road, trail and area closures in effect.

Cache Creek, White River NF. IMT 2 (Esperance). Eight miles southwest of Rifle, CO. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with short upslope runs, group torching and short-range spotting. Above normal temperatures and dry unstable conditions. Evacuations and road, trail and area closures in effect.

Plateau, San Juan NF. ICT3 (Seekins). Thirteen miles north of Dolores, CO. Timber. Active fire behavior with uphill runs, group torching, and short-range spotting. Fire crossed Beaver Creek last night and moved south to FSR 529. Road and area closures in effect. IMT2 (Greer) assuming command tomorrow morning at 0600.

Cabin Lake, White River NF. ICT3 (Bovey). Sixteen miles southeast of Meeker, CO. Timber and chaparral. Minimal fire behavior, creeping, smoldering and single-tree torching. Weather is forecasted to be hot, dry and breezy over the next several days which is expected to increase fire activity and smoke production. Road, trail and area closures in effect.

West Guard, San Juan NF. ICT3 (Seekins). Thirteen miles east of Dove Creek, CO. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Last report.

Table with 15 columns: Name, Unit, Size (Acres, Change), %, Ctn/Comp, Est, Personnel (Total, Chge), Resources (Crw, Eng, Heli), Strc Lost, \$ CTD, Origin Own. Rows include Bull Draw, Silver Creek, Cache Creek, Plateau, Cabin Lake, and West Guard.

Intelligence/Situation Report:

Table comparing Rocky Mountain Area and National statistics. Rows include Preparedness Level, Initial attack activity, New large Fires, Contained large fires, Uncontained large fires, NIMOs committed, Type 1 IMTs committed, Type 2 IMTs committed, Resources committed within RMA, Resources committed outside RMA, USFS Fires year-to-date, USFS Acres year-to-date, All Fires year-to-date, All Acres year-to-date.





Weather/Fuels: Hot and dry conditions forecasted for Wyoming. Monsoonal moisture, a mix of wet and dry thunderstorms, forecasted for southwest Colorado tomorrow into Friday.

Smoke/Air Quality: For local air quality conditions by state, please visit: [AirNow](#), enter your zip code or state, then click GO.

