

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY MAY 27, 2004 – 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 107 new fires reported. One new large fire was reported in the Southern Area. One large fire was contained in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Florida, New Mexico, Nevada and Texas.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

PEPPIN, Lincoln National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. This fire is six miles north of Capitan, NM in timber. Hazardous terrain and heavy dead fuel loading continue to be a major concern. Fire behavior has moderated considerably due to favorable weather conditions. Crews continue to make good progress preparing for burnout operations as well as protecting communication sites and numerous structures.

KP, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kvale) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles south of Alpine, AZ in brush, ponderosa pine and mixed conifer timber. Poor access, heavy fuel loading and steep rugged terrain have hampered suppression efforts. Fire behavior continues to remain less active due to partial cloud cover, higher relative humidity and cooler temperatures. Reduction in acreage was due to more accurate mapping. US Highway 191 will remain closed to public access in order to provide for firefighter and public safety.

LOOKOUT, Cibola National Forest. A transfer of command will occur from Winchester's Type 2 Incident Management Team to a Type 3 organization today. This fire is 70 miles southeast of Albuquerque, NM in grass ponderosa pine and mixed conifer. Drought stressed fuels, steep terrain and high winds remain a concern for suppression resources. A trace amount of precipitation fell on the incident reducing fire behavior. Minimal fire activity was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PEPPIN	NM	LNF	25,000	0	UNK	471	14	23	5	12	780K
KP	AZ	ASF	10,056	25	UNK	515	11	21	2	0	2M
LOOKOUT	NM	CIF	5,280	90	5/27	309	7	10	1	5	1.3M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BLOCKS H&J, Everglades National Park. This fire is 15 miles west of Homestead, FL in grass, brush and hardwood timber. Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics (MIST) continues with good success. Active surface fire was observed.

BOMBING RANGE 1, National Forests in Florida. This fire is 14 miles north-northwest of Umatilla, FL in brush and pine timber. This fire is within a Naval bombing range; no ground suppression action will be allowed. A confinement strategy is in place and fire activity may continue until a rain event. Active fire behavior with crowning, torching, running and spotting was observed. No further information was received.

CORAPEAKE ROAD, Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is 18 miles south-southwest of Chesapeake, VA in brush. No new information was reported.

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BLOCKS H&J	FL	EVP	1,450	95	5/31	97	2	4	1	0	201K
BOMBING RANGE 1	FL	FNF	300	30	6/1	10	0	0	2	0	20K
CORAPEAKE ROAD	VA	GDR	300	95	UNK	15	0	1	1	0	NR
HOWARD	FL	EVP	145	100	---	50	1	1	5	0	5K

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Two low pressure areas will affect the western states today. The first will move across the Southwest, providing the possibility of a mixture of wet and dry thunderstorms. The system will depart overnight, leaving windy and drier conditions for the end of the week. The second will provide cool temperatures and rain showers over northern California, the central and northern Great Basin, as well as the Northwest. Florida will continue to remain hot and dry with very little in the way of thunderstorms.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
SOUTHWEST AREA Mostly sunny skies west, partly cloudy becoming cloudy central and east with showers and storms developing.	60s and 70s mountains 80s and 90s lower elevations	10 to 30%	Southwest 10 to 15 mph with higher gusts most areas, although southwest to west 15 to 30 mph with higher gusts extreme southern New Mexico into southwest Texas.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Partly sunny. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms over southwest Wyoming.	70 to 80 lower elevations near 85 over southeast Colorado and the southern plains	10 to 20% over southern Colorado 20 to 30% elsewhere	Most of the Rocky Mountain Area can expect 5 to 15 mph winds, except a 10 to 20 mph westerly breeze over portions of western Wyoming.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog to the lower coastal slopes. Showers or thunderstorms north of San Luis Obispo-Fresno-Bishop line overnight.	60 to 70 coastal areas 60 to 75 mountains 75 to 88 valleys 80 to 90 upper deserts 90 to 100 lower deserts	15 to 30%	Southwest 10 to 20 mph with higher gusts mountains and deserts.



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TOPIC OF CHOICE

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2				11	1	14
	ACRES	1				1	0	2
Northern California	FIRES					12		12
	ACRES					125		125
Southern California	FIRES		1	2	1	11	3	18
	ACRES		0	1	1	11	2	15
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					3	1	4
	ACRES					2	2,001	2,003
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					4		4
Southern Area	FIRES				1	51	0	52
	ACRES				145	339	200	684
TOTAL	FIRES	3	1	2	2	93	6	107
	ACRES	1	0	1	146	482	2,203	2,833

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1	1		85	1	88
	ACRES		50	0		172	0	222
Northwest	FIRES	49	12	12	5	222	57	357
	ACRES	577	9	29	3	314	209	1,141
Northern California	FIRES	4				548	103	655
	ACRES	0				1,022	1,279	2,301
Southern California	FIRES	10	18	3	7	937	149	1,124
	ACRES	645	1,315	2	6	31,138	1,382	34,488
Northern Rockies	FIRES	629	14	8		282	101	1,034
	ACRES	3,918	187	185		8,359	3,285	15,934
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	42	2	6	19	19	89
	ACRES	2	94	1	32	194	364	687
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	18		1	15	8	44
	ACRES	1	49		0	9	280	339
Southwest	FIRES	188	25	1	12	219	175	620
	ACRES	709	3,147	0	241	9,165	26,691	39,953
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	146	23	27	2	134	43	375
	ACRES	3,490	53	917	0	19,195	2,794	26,449
Eastern Area	FIRES	488		36	17	4,816	364	5,721
	ACRES	5,093		2,650	97	50,559	5,506	63,905
Southern Area	FIRES	107		37	19	20,719	496	21,378
	ACRES	15,219		4,561	918	226,353	71,600	318,651
TOTAL	FIRES	1,624	153	127	69	27,996	1,516	31,485
	ACRES	29,654	4,904	8,345	1,297	346,480	113,390	504,070

Ten Year Average Fires	33,877
Ten Year Average Acres	714,822

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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						6	6
Northern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						455	455
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						49	49
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	160						160
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						76	76
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					6	8	14
	ACRES					1,457	1,708	3,165
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	6	12	19
	ACRES	160	0	0	0	1,457	2,294	3,911

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,087		2,087
Northwest	FIRES	33	74	34	1		220	362
	ACRES	6,271	6,805	3,641	30		55,289	72,036
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	9	15		181	258
	ACRES	251	731	13,501	624		22,315	37,422
Southern California	FIRES		4	6	7		71	88
	ACRES		28	465	308		6,210	7,011
Northern Rockies	FIRES	18	5	64	3	46	307	443
	ACRES	1,467	137	8,957	1,046	3,083	40,929	55,619
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	3	6	21	55	99
	ACRES	149	2,144	547	1,237	1,588	16,450	22,115
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4				4	8
	ACRES		80				71	151
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	6	8		272	313
	ACRES	2,796	4,743	519	1,727		47,740	57,525
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	38	106	16	10	110	322
	ACRES	5,117	11,460	19,187	2,969	3,246	41,078	83,057
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		312	18	590	161	1,101
	ACRES	14,454		40,371	3,752	55,390	26,891	140,858
Southern Area	FIRES	51		130	67	303	1,037	1,588
	ACRES	8,503		57,089	58,852	161,937	940,312	1,226,693
TOTAL	FIRES	193	190	670	141	975	2,418	4,587
	ACRES	39,008	26,128	144,277	70,545	227,331	1,197,285	1,704,574

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

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						1	1
	ACRES						15	15
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				0			0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				101			101
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		30					30
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	2	0	1	5
	ACRES	0	30	0	101	0	15	146

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	1	0	310	874
Yukon Territory	0	0	4	6
Alberta	24	5	502	2,168
Northwest Territory	1	3	1	3
Saskatchewan	5	0	91	626
Manitoba	5	2	38	357
Ontario	0	0	76	1,305
Quebec	5	0	109	105
Newfoundland	5	0	53	248
New Brunswick	1	0	170	305
Nova Scotia	0	0	115	154
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	8	2,436
Total	47	10	1,477	8,585

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest			6						6	
Northern California	1			1						
Southern California	3		5		1				5	
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	1	1	1							
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	35		11	43	8				323	85
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	5		10	23	3	1			44	12
Total	45	1	33	67	12	1	0	0	378	97

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