

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SATURDAY MAY 7, 2005 – 0800 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Nationally, initial attack activity was light with 128 fires reported. Two new large fires were reported in the Southwest Area. Three large fires were contained, one each in the Eastern, Southern and Southwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Nebraska, Minnesota, and Texas.

**EASTERN AREA INCIDENTS/ LARGE FIRES**

MISSISSIPPI MEADOWS, Chippewa National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hinds) is assigned. This fire is 22 miles west of Grand Rapids, MN in grass, brush and timber. Creeping and smoldering fire behavior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MISSISSIPPI MEADOWS	MN	CPF	475	50	5/7	106	3	16	2	0	155K
COTTONVILLE	WI	WIS	3,840	100	---	299	45	123	0	5	NR

WIS = Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

**SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS/ LARGE FIRES**

CHAPMAN, Arizona State Office. This fire is five miles south of Florence, AZ, in grass and understory. Creeping fire around unburned islands was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CHAPMAN	AZ	AZS	3,200	70	5/8	106	2	15	0	0	85K
HALEY HILLS	AZ	AZS	300	100	---	26	0	5	1	2	50K

**SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/ LARGE FIRES**

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
2686	TX	RGR	2,950	100	---	86	0	27	2	0	30k

RGR = Lower Rio Grande Valley National Wildlife Refuge

## OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** In Alaska, warmer and drier weather is on tap as high pressure builds over the region. A low pressure system moving out of the Rockies will bring gusty winds from New Mexico and Texas across the Plains and into the western portions of the Great Lakes. Most of the South will be dry with low humidity over the southeast corner of the country.

<b>Geographic Area Weather</b>	<b>High Temperatures</b>	<b>Minimum Relative Humidity</b>	<b>Wind</b>
<b>Southern California</b> Partly cloudy.	50 to 65 mountains. 65 to 75 valleys. 65 to 75 upper deserts. 80 to 90 lower deserts.	40 to 60%.	Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.
<b>Southwest</b> Partly cloudy and a bit cooler. Winds decreasing AZ, but remaining breezy to windy NM and west TX. Isolated showers northern NM mountains.	40s to 60s mountains, 70s and 80s lower elevations.	10 to 25% lower elevations, 25 to 50% mountains.	West to southwest 10 to 15 mph AZ and 15 to 30 mph NM and west TX.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### **WILDLAND/URBAN INTERFACE—STRUCTURE PROTECTION**

The primary consideration of any operation is to assure firefighter and public safety. It is a must to assess potential fire behavior, ingress/egress routes, nature of the threat, hazardous materials, and available water supplies before engaging in the protection of any structure.

● Factors that may make an attempt to save a structure hopeless or too dangerous include:

- The fire is making a sustained run and there is little or no clearance between the structure and the fuel.
- The fire behavior is extreme; spot fires are numerous and the spread is outpacing containment.
- Water supply will not last as long as the threat of the fire.
- The fire's intensity dictates that you leave the fire area immediately.
- The structure is constructed of wood and has a wood, shake roof.
- The roof of the structure is more than one-quarter involved.
- There is fire inside of the structure or windows are broken and there is no way to quickly repair them.
- You can't safely remain at the structure because your escape route could become unusable.

● When implementing a plan to protect structures, consider the following:

- Don't enter a burning structure unless you are trained, equipped, and authorized. Firefighter safety and survival is the number one priority.
- Always stay mobile and wear all of your PPE.
- Back in equipment to allow for a quick escape.
- Coil a short, 1 ½", charged line with fog nozzle on your engine for safety and quick knock down capability.
- Don't make long hose lays. Keep at least 100 gallons of water reserve in your tank.
- Check the road system before the fire approaches. Know bridge limits, alternate access routes, and turnarounds for your vehicle and other support vehicles.
- Determine if residents are home. Leave on the inside and outside lights, regardless of the time of day. Close the garage door.
- Place the owner's ladder at a corner of the home on the side with the least fire threat.
- Coil and charge garden hoses.
- Check and mark hazmat; e.g., LPG, pesticides, and paint storage.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					190		190
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		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	6					1	7
	ACRES	241					0	241
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES	13				91	5	109
	ACRES	37				326	497	860
Southern Area	FIRES					7	1	8
	ACRES					14	2	16
TOTAL	FIRES	19	1	0	0	101	7	128
	ACRES	278	0	0	0	530	499	1,307

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		60	1	62
	ACRES			0		5,573	11	5,584
Northwest	FIRES	24	12	5		54	28	123
	ACRES	139	11	8		133	30	321
Northern California	FIRES					117	26	143
	ACRES					36	25	61
Southern California	FIRES		3	2			21	26
	ACRES		10	0			5	15
Northern Rockies	FIRES	206	1	14		74	19	314
	ACRES	3,970	136	480		1,244	1,291	7,121
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		8			5	2	15
	ACRES		1			5	0	6
Western Great Basin	FIRES		9	2	2	2		15
	ACRES		13	70	6	0		89
Southwest	FIRES	94	25	4	3	147	76	349
	ACRES	5,247	1,204	1,501	8	19,700	658	28,318
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	7	13	2	84	17	160
	ACRES	2,427	11	148	3	14,851	1,614	19,054
Eastern Area	FIRES	462		25	19	5,328	352	6,186
	ACRES	7,006		1,403	687	40,515	7,348	56,959
Southern Area	FIRES	154		62	6	12,821	365	13,408
	ACRES	25,660		4,425	114	134,800	9,782	174,781
TOTAL	FIRES	977	65	128	32	18,692	907	20,801
	ACRES	44,449	1,386	8,035	818	216,857	20,764	292,309

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>28,181</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>556,213</b>

\*\*\* 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						30	30
Northern California	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		49					49
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			3			2	5
	ACRES			208			416	624
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		0					0
	ACRES		5					5
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						65	65
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1		1	2			4
	ACRES	5		1,399	74			1,478
Eastern Area	FIRES			3		39	4	46
	ACRES			986		3,661	50	4,697
Southern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					882	700	1,582
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	7	2	40	9	59
	ACRES	5	54	2,593	74	4,543	1,261	8,530

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	15	74	31	2		142	264
	ACRES	3,976	9,328	1,678	249		8,509	23,740
Northern California	FIRES	12	15	6	15		99	147
	ACRES	188	527	19,055	1,217		6,529	27,516
Southern California	FIRES	1	4	4	3		52	64
	ACRES	800	473	8	1,307		1,979	4,567
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	23	49	1	27	186	289
	ACRES	135	3,179	8,211	1	1,602	18,546	31,674
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	4	1	8	15	42
	ACRES	1	3,491	711	12	115	2,476	6,806
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	10				13
	ACRES		74	2,711				2,785
Southwest	FIRES	3	20	2	7		188	220
	ACRES	631	20,355	3,210	12,175		42,130	78,501
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28	31	89	12	15	84	259
	ACRES	3,703	7,336	17,084	10,309	2,476	23,267	64,175
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		315	32	701	114	1,191
	ACRES	17,410		41,880	4,272	47,653	24,159	135,374
Southern Area	FIRES	34		125	35	299	949	1,442
	ACRES	7,180		65,989	16,044	191,179	797,844	1,078,236
TOTAL	FIRES	126	183	635	108	1,050	1,829	3,931
	ACRES	34,024	44,763	160,537	45,586	243,025	925,439	1,453,374

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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							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							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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**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		6				3			11	30
Northwest										
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies			5							
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	1	2	4	16		1			2	10
Rocky Mountain			1							
Eastern Area	1	57	11	149		3			18	75
Southern Area			5	23	2	1			7	
Total	2	65	26	188	2	8	0	0	38	115

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