

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2006 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 63 new fires reported. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont and New Hampshire.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

WEST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hanneman) is assigned in Midland, TX. The Team is assisting local jurisdictions with managing a fire prevention program, initial and extended attack fires within the 140 million acre fire management response area. One new fire for ten acres was reported. Acres, structure losses and costs represent cumulative fire activity for the response area.

HORN MOUNTAIN, Buffalo National River. This fire is in Newton County in grass. Remote and rugged terrain are hampering control efforts. No new information was reported.

CANE FORK, Kentucky Division of Forestry. This fire is on private land 5 miles northwest of Hyden, KY in timber. No new information was reported.

MID DAY, Okmulgee Field Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is two miles north of Haydenville, OK in grass and hardwood litter. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

GARCON POINT ROAD, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Santa Rosa County in timber. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

TANYARD HILL, Kentucky Division of Forestry. This fire started on private land in Bell County in timber and litter understory. No new information was reported.

GAMBLER, Eglin Air Force Base. This fire is five miles southwest of Holt, FL in southern rough and timber. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

170th STREET, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is three miles northwest of Miami Lakes, FL in hurricane damaged timber. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
WEST TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	3,891	NR	UNK	236	0	15	3	0	8.9M	N/A
HORN MOUNTAIN	AR	BUP	5,275	75	UNK	27	0	0	0	0	NR	NPS
CANE FORK	KY	KYS	150	75	UNK	6	1	1	0	0	NR	PRI
MID DAY	OK	OMA	846	80	UNK	15	1	2	0	0	5K	BIA
GARCON POINT ROAD	FL	FLS	400	90	UNK	34	0	10	2	0	NR	ST
TANYARD HILL	KY	KYS	200	85	UNK	22	1	2	0	0	NR	PRI
GAMBLER	FL	EAQ	600	80	UNK	5	0	1	1	0	NR	DOD
170TH STREET	FL	FLS	400	75	4/3	20	0	2	0	0	NR	ST

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

OBEE, Kansas Counties. This fire started on private land one mile east of Hutchinson, KS in grass. No new information was reported.

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OBEE	KS	KSX	6,000	75	UNK	21	0	4	0	3	NR	PRI

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: A storm system will make its way across the Great Lakes and into the Northeast today. A trailing cold front with showers and thunderstorms will extend from the eastern Great Lakes down across the Gulf Coast states and southern Plains. Gusty winds can be expected near the cold front. Elsewhere, dry conditions will continue across portions of the southern Plains and southern Rockies with breezy conditions.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<p>Southwest Area Increasing clouds but dry across much of Arizona. Otherwise, mostly sunny, mild and dry across New Mexico and west Texas.</p>	<p>65 to 86 across the lower elevations. 45 to 65 across the higher elevations of the Southwest Area.</p>	<p>10% to 20% across the lower elevations. 20 to 40% across the higher elevations of the Southwest Area.</p>	<p>South to southeast 10-20 mph across eastern New Mexico and west Texas. South to southwest 10 to 20 mph across the remainder of the Southwest Area.</p>
<p>Eastern Area Partly cloudy and breezy across the Great Lakes and Big Rivers. Mostly cloudy with increasing chance of showers and thunderstorms over the Mid-Atlantic and southern New England. Partly cloudy across Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont.</p>	<p>55 to 65 across the Big Rivers and southern Great Lakes. 50 to 60 over the Mid-Atlantic and southern Northeast states.</p>	<p>26 to 36% across Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. 35 to 50% over the remainder of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states. 30 to 40% over the southern Great Lakes and Big Rivers.</p>	<p>North to northwest winds at 10 to 20 mph with higher gusts across the Big Rivers and Great Lakes, diminishing from west to east later in the day. Southeast at 10 to 16 mph becoming southwest across New England, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, and eastern Pennsylvania. West to southwest at 10 to 20 mph becoming northwest at 15 to 30 mph across Ohio, western Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.</p>
<p>Rocky Mountain Area No information was reported.</p>			
<p>Southern Area No information was reported.</p>			



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TERRAIN AND FUELS MAKE ESCAPE TO SAFETY ZONES DIFFICULT

When fighting wildland fires, it is often easy to get committed to areas that put you in Watchout Situation #17. As firefighters progress along the fireline, it is imperative to constantly keep the following considerations in mind:

Does the crew's condition allow for fast travel? Discuss physical and mental conditions that could interfere with a crew's ability to travel quickly.

Will you get adequate warning to make it to your safety zone? Who will you rely on to warn you? How will you ensure that everyone gets the word?

Can escape routes be improved to make travel to safety zones faster? Are escape routes marked? Review what you have done on past fires to locate, mark, and improve escape routes.

Will posting more lookouts give adequate warning? Talk about situations where there was more than one firefighter assigned to be lookout.

To reduce the risks:

- Consider other tactics that will allow you to be in a safer location. Review fires where you have had to change tactics because escape to safety zones was not adequate

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

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		1			2		3
	ACRES		10			1		11
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					7	1	8
	ACRES					160	2	162
Eastern Area	FIRES					41		41
	ACRES					15		15
Southern Area	FIRES			3			8	11
	ACRES			101			110	211
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	3	0	50	9	63
	ACRES	0	10	101	0	176	112	399

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	10		2		3	2	17
	ACRES	6		3		2	0	11
Northern California	FIRES					72	8	80
	ACRES					1,555	1,244	2,799
Southern California	FIRES		4				25	29
	ACRES		10				11,095	11,105
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	1		1	4	4	22
	ACRES	35	100		223	28	14	400
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	0	2			1		3
	ACRES	51	10			28		89
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8		1			9
	ACRES		9		1			10
Southwest	FIRES	172	28	1	26	408	138	773
	ACRES	808	1,441	431	3,493	202,433	12,379	220,985
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	9	6	7	2	110	21	155
	ACRES	357	0	407	0	91,655	7,321	99,740
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		3	9	2,984	161	3,158
	ACRES	1		255	62	33,401	3,650	37,369
Southern Area	FIRES	311		104	14	16,537	432	17,398
	ACRES	22,665		12,028	1,723	1,429,616	25,592	1,491,624
TOTAL	FIRES	515	49	117	53	20,119	791	21,644
	ACRES	23,923	1,570	13,124	5,502	1,758,718	61,295	1,864,132

Five Year Average Fires	12,569
Five Year Average Acres	246,058

*** 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							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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		81	14			18	113
	ACRES		1,978	530			124	2,632
Northern California	FIRES	12	3	3	2		48	68
	ACRES	101	222	2,404	6		708	3,441
Southern California	FIRES		4	2			48	54
	ACRES		284	24			1,415	1,723
Northern Rockies	FIRES		5					5
	ACRES		618					618
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	6			1	2	10
	ACRES	4	1,116			2	350	1,472
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1				2
	ACRES		10	10				20
Southwest	FIRES	13	4	2			61	80
	ACRES	596	1,142	320			6,952	9,010
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	10	4	30	8	16	63	131
	ACRES	1,367	110	7,153	272	443	13,567	22,912
Eastern Area	FIRES			40	23	180	79	322
	ACRES			3,869	3,155	18,332	19,857	45,213
Southern Area	FIRES			101	25	189	618	933
	ACRES			45,024	6,752	97,850	487,755	637,381
TOTAL	FIRES	36	108	193	58	386	937	1,718
	ACRES	2,068	5,480	59,334	10,185	116,627	530,728	724,422

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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										
Northwest										
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest							4			
Rocky Mountain			4	16					4	6
Eastern Area									1	
Southern Area			17	30	2	3	3		138	101
Total	0	0	21	46	2	3	7	0	143	107

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