

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2006 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 76 new fires reported. Four new large fires (*) were reported, two in the Southern Area, one each in the Southwest and Northern California Areas. Three large fires were contained, one each in the Southern, Southwest and Northern California Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Colorado, Minnesota and Utah.

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

TEST SITE, Southwest Area, Utah Division of Forestry and State Lands. This fire is 20 miles northeast of St. George, UT in pinyon pine, grass and brush. Numerous structures remain threatened. Active fire in islands of unburned fuel in the interior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
TEST SITE	UT	SWS	651	80	UNK	188	4	25	1	0	NR	ST

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

ADOBE, Socorro District, New Mexico State Forestry. This fire is 28 miles southeast of Animas, NM in mixed conifer forest and grass. Burn out operations are ongoing. Active fire with group torching on south facing slopes was reported.

ROMERO, Coronado National Forest. This fire is six miles southeast of Oro Valley, AZ in brush. Minimal fire activity was observed.

NORTH TAYLOR, Coronado National Forest. This fire is 19 miles southwest of Safford, AZ in timber and brush. Smoldering in interior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
ADOBE	NM	N3S	12,000	40	6/01	82	1	14	1	0	NR	ST
ROMERO	AZ	CNF	764	95	UNK	61	2	0	2	0	787K	FS
NORTH TAYLOR	AZ	CNF	117	95	5/27	0	3	0	1	0	844K	FS
* CERRO	NM	N4S	5,500	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	50K	ST

N4S – Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

BLACK RIDGE, Southern Ute Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is 12 miles south of Durango, CO in pinyon pine and juniper. Two residences remain threatened. Moderate fire behavior with individual torching and active burning in interior islands was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
BLACK RIDGE	CO	SUA	478	50	UNK	160	4	5	2	0	157K	BIA

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

LAKE OLYMPIA, Texas Forest Service. This fire is four miles south of Missouri City, TX in grass. Numerous residences and a commercial property are threatened. A subdivision was evacuated. Very active fire behavior was reported.

PALO DURA EAST, Texas Forest Service. This fire, formerly named Palo Dura Canyon, is eight miles northwest of Wayside, TX in grass. Crowning and short runs were reported. Good progress was made in burn out operations and line construction. The increase in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

WF POSSUM CAMP, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is two miles west of Edgewater, FL in southern rough and timber. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

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* LAKE OLYMPIA	TX	TXS	303	80	UNK	3	0	0	0	1	NR	ST
PALO DURA EAST	TX	TXS	11,650	50	5/27	56	2	4	0	2	NR	ST
WF POSSUM CAMP	FL	FLS	833	90	UNK	10	0	3	0	0	39K	ST
* WEATHERBY	TX	TXS	450	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
* STUHR	CA	SCU	1,000	100	---	75	0	21	3	0	NR	ST

SCU – Santa Clara Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

OUTLOOK:

Red Flag Warnings: All of Arizona, northern and central New Mexico and portions of southeast New Mexico and southwest Texas for strong southwest winds and low humidity. Most of central and southern Utah and the Arizona Strip for strong winds and low RH. In effect from 9am to 9pm for most of southern Nevada for gusty winds and low RH

Fire Weather Watches: For portions of southeast California from 11 AM to 8 PM for strong southwest winds and low humidity. Southern New Mexico and portions of west Texas for strong southwest winds and low humidity.

Weather Discussion: A low pressure trough over the Northwest will bring dry, windy weather to the Southwest, western Texas, southern Great Basin and Colorado. High pressure will persist over Florida with some moisture over the area.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<p>Southwest Area Breezy to windy, very warm and dry under mostly sunny skies across Arizona, New Mexico and far western Texas. Partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms across the remainder of west Texas.</p>	<p>Upper 60s to mid 80s across the mountains. Upper 80s to near 100 across the lower elevations.</p>	<p>5 to 15%, except 15 to 30% portions of west Texas.</p>	<p>Southwest 15 to 30 mph with higher gusts, except south 15 to 25 mph parts of west Texas.</p>
<p>Southern California Area Widespread night and morning low clouds, fog, and local drizzle west of the coastal mountains, otherwise mostly sunny across southern California. Partly cloudy over the Sierra range with a slight chance for afternoon showers and thundershowers.</p>	<p>60 to 75 mountains. 60s to 70s valleys. 75 to 85 upper deserts. 90s to near 100 lower deserts.</p>	<p>45 to 65% coastal areas. 25 to 40% Valleys and coastal slopes. 15 to 30% Mountains and deserts.</p>	<p>West to northwest 20 to 35 mph and gusty over the Antelope Valley and western portions of the Mojave desert. Southwest to northwest 15 to 25 mph and gusty over the mountains and southern deserts. Onshore 10 to 15 mph in the coastal basin and valleys.</p>
<p>Eastern Great Basin Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Rain, snow and thunderstorms. Northern Utah: Showers and thunderstorms. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Partly cloudy, windy and warm. Isolated to scattered late day thunderstorms.</p>	<p>Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 35 to 50 mountains, 45 to 60 valleys. Northern Utah: 45 to 65 mountains, 56 to 65 west valleys... 80 to 90 east valleys. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: 60 to 75 mountains, 75 to 95 valleys.</p>	<p>Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 50 to 75% mountains 25 to 45% valleys. Northern Utah: 35 to 55% mountains 30 to 40% west valleys 8 to 20% east valleys. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: 15 to 25% mountains, 8 to 15% valleys.</p>	<p>Idaho, Bridger-Teton: W to NW 10 to 20 mph. Northern Utah: NW 15 to 25 mph northwest SW 20 to 30 mph northeast. Southern Utah, AZ Strip: Southwest 20 to 30 mph and gusty.</p>
<p>Western Great Basin Area Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered rain and higher elevation snow showers across the north. Partly to mostly sunny and windy across the south. Turning much cooler.</p>	<p>North valleys: 45 to 60 South valleys: 70 to 95 N. mountains: 35 to 45 S. mountains: 55 to 65</p>	<p>N. valleys: 20 to 40% S. valleys: 7 to 20% N. mountains: 30 to 50% S. mountains: 10 to 20%</p>	<p>Northwest to southwest at 10 to 25 mph with gusts of 40 to 50 mph across southern Nevada.</p>



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

HELICOPTER LANDING AREA SAFETY

The following points should be considered when operating around an unimproved landing site:

- Always wear your personal protective equipment (PPE) when working around an operating helicopter.
- Always get the approval of a flight crewmember or the pilot before approaching a starting or operating helicopter.
- Only approach and depart a helicopter as directed, in a slightly crouched position, and in full view of a crewmember.
- When approaching or departing an operating helicopter, never approach or depart uphill and do not hold equipment overhead.
- Always approach and depart an operating helicopter on the downhill side.
- Remove or secure loose articles when working around an operating helicopter.
- Be aware of the dust abatement conditions of the landing area, as blowing dust, sand, or rocks caused by the helicopter's rotor wash can be hazardous.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					2		2
Northwest	FIRES	1	1				3	5
	ACRES	1	0				0	1
Northern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES	2	1				1	4
	ACRES	0	146				0	146
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					4		4
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1		1			2
	ACRES		20		0			20
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		1			3
	ACRES		110		0			110
Southwest	FIRES		0			4	5	9
	ACRES		8			2,465	0	2,473
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2			2	1	5
	ACRES		0			361	1	362
Eastern Area	FIRES					13		13
	ACRES					38		38
Southern Area	FIRES					22	5	27
	ACRES					343	21	364
TOTAL	FIRES	3	7	0	2	46	18	76
	ACRES	1	284	0	0	3,213	22	3,520

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1			1	85		87
	ACRES	3			300	402		705
Northwest	FIRES	39	15	6		144	84	288
	ACRES	76	4	30		413	134	657
Northern California	FIRES	13			1	174	45	233
	ACRES	15			0	1,552	1,523	3,090
Southern California	FIRES	2	8		2		41	53
	ACRES	0	302		1		11,099	11,402
Northern Rockies	FIRES	189	4	11	1	113	39	357
	ACRES	1,110	105	983	223	4,475	318	7,214
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	10	58		5	69	17	159
	ACRES	119	5,293		0	3,043	9	8,464
Western Great Basin	FIRES		46		4	7	4	61
	ACRES		1,765		4	8	494	2,271
Southwest	FIRES	372	87	1	59	899	403	1,821
	ACRES	2,566	8,786	431	5,341	328,283	21,881	367,288
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	127	65	34	10	306	77	619
	ACRES	1,395	396	1,821	63	131,993	7,553	143,221
Eastern Area	FIRES	456		34	49	8,991	426	9,956
	ACRES	5,732		829	248	72,670	13,035	92,514
Southern Area	FIRES	393		151	48	26,051	745	27,388
	ACRES	43,258		14,899	5,683	1,772,567	36,497	1,872,904
TOTAL	FIRES	1,602	283	237	180	36,839	1,881	41,022
	ACRES	54,274	16,651	18,993	11,863	2,315,406	92,543	2,509,730

Ten Year Average Fires	32,354
Ten Year Average Acres	691,837

*** 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						2	2
	ACRES						36	36
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	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	36	36

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					2,429		2,429
Northwest	FIRES	19	116	54	1	1	170	361
	ACRES	5,264	10,181	6,702	98	180	25,831	48,256
Northern California	FIRES	17	5	20	3		75	120
	ACRES	207	869	26,949	14		2,785	30,824
Southern California	FIRES		5	5	1		60	71
	ACRES		285	104	20		2,160	2,569
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	20	113	2	33	273	442
	ACRES	40	4,344	19,890	268	3,177	31,425	59,144
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	6	16	6	2	6	46	82
	ACRES	1,596	2,815	1,579	1,845	152	21,486	29,473
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	3			1	10
	ACRES		425	12			1,085	1,522
Southwest	FIRES	23	12	3	4		97	139
	ACRES	3,767	10,696	6,856	923		49,518	71,760
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	26	20	94	13	33	97	283
	ACRES	2,591	5,422	19,739	8,995	1,767	27,772	66,286
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		491	34	1,139	144	1,845
	ACRES	15,137		56,737	5,081	65,258	27,661	169,874
Southern Area	FIRES	22		158	47	270	768	1,265
	ACRES	6,639		70,564	13,668	140,751	622,589	854,211
TOTAL	FIRES	151	200	947	107	1,488	1,731	4,624
	ACRES	35,241	35,037	209,132	30,912	213,714	812,312	1,336,348

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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				4			4
	ACRES				1			1
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						7	7
	ACRES						559	559
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1		1	2
	ACRES				1,656		2	1,658
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2		1			3
	ACRES		0		0			0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	6	0	8	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	1,657	0	561	2,218

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	0	115	379	4,231
Yukon Territory	0	0	3	1
Alberta	17	1	714	6,667
Northwest Territory	0	0	1	0
Saskatchewan	0	1	113	1,654
Manitoba	3	2	69	653
Ontario	1	0	164	643
Quebec	0	0	184	24,917
Newfoundland	2	0	40	200
New Brunswick	0	0	233	422
Nova Scotia	0	0	183	1,604
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	22	529
Total	23	119	2,105	41,519

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	4	6								
Northwest	1		1							
Northern California				21		3				6
Southern California			3	1	1					
Northern Rockies			4	1						
Eastern Great Basin	4		38	8	1		4		3	2
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	3	4	9	10	2	2	6		26	8
Rocky Mountain	6	1	25	9	2	2	1		64	9
Eastern Area	1		1		1				3	
Southern Area	5		8	7	8		1		54	34
Total	24	11	89	57	15	7	12	0	150	59

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