

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SATURDAY, MAY 16, 1998 - 0900 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Minor initial attack fire activity was reported yesterday. Miscellaneous overhead and equipment was mobilized through NICC. The National Interagency Fire Center, in conjunction with the USAID-Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, is coordinating the mobilization of a technical assistance team to assess the wildland fires in Mexico. Very high and extreme fire indices continue to be reported in Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Minnesota and Michigan. ALBERTA CANADA: The Virginia Hills fire is now at 422,590 acres. Firefighters were aided by long awaited precipitation yesterday. Showers and light winds are forecast for the next few days. Residents evacuated from the community of Swan Hills were returned to their homes yesterday.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

BEARD, New Mexico State. A Type II Incident Management Team (Bustamonte) is assigned. This lightning caused fire is burning in ponderosa pine and pinon/juniper fuel near the community of Cimarron. Cultural sites and riparian habitats are threatened. Favorable wind direction reduced the fire spread yesterday.

CEDRO CANYON, Carson NF. The fire spread onto BIA administered lands of the Southern Ute Tribe in southern Colorado. Containment was expected yesterday. No new information was received.

INCIDENT	UNIT	ST	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	EST	\$\$\$	C-T-D
					CTN	CTN	PERS			LOST	LOSS		
BEARD	NMS	NM	4,150	50	5/17	365	12	10	3	0	NR	170K	
CEDRO CANYON	CAF	NM	445	95	5/15	NR	2	7	0	0	NR	44K	

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CIBOLA CREEK, Texas State. This fire is threatening six homes, 35 miles southwest of Marfa. High winds and frequent wind shifts are hampering suppression efforts.

APALACHICOLA COMPLEX, Florida National Forests. This complex includes the Boggy Jordan, Long Bay, Long Bay #2, Fisher Creek, Reedy Branch and Sheep Island fires.

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CIBOLA CREEK	TXS	TX	58,000	50	UNK	133	3	8	3	0	UNK	UNK
APALACHICOLA CX	FNF	FL	497	97	5/17	101	2	5	2	0	125K	UNK

OUTLOOK:

New Mexico will be partly cloudy and warmer. West Texas will be partly cloudy with isolated afternoon thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 80's and 90's with 60's and 70's in the mountains.

Florida will be partly cloudy and dry with high temperatures from 85 to 95.

Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan will be partly cloudy with a chance of morning showers and thunderstorms in northern Michigan and Wisconsin. Minnesota and Wisconsin will be breezy. High temperatures will be in the upper 60's to near 80's in the south.

FIRES: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					8		8
NORTHWEST							1
CA-NORTH							0
CA-SOUTH							0
NORTHERN		1				2	NR
GB-EAST							NR
GB-WEST							0
SOUTHWEST	1					0	1
ROCKY MTN					1	1	2
EASTERN					8	2	10
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	1	1	0	0	17	5	22

ACRES BURNED: Yesterday							
AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA					0		0
NORTHWEST							NR
CA-NORTH							0
CA-SOUTH							0
NORTHERN		30				0	30
GB-EAST							NR
GB-WEST							NR
SOUTHWEST	0					1,150	1,150
ROCKY MTN					1	1	2
EASTERN					78	2	80
SOUTHERN							NR
USA	0	30	0	0	79	1,153	1,262

AREA	RESOURCE STATUS:				Committed Resources					
	CREWS	ST/O	ENGINES	ST/O	HELICOP.	ST/O	AIRTNK.	ST/O	OVERHEAD	FED
FED	FED	FED	ST/O	FED	FED	FED	ST/O	FED	FED	ST/O
ALASKA		1								
NORTHWEST										
CA-NORTH	1									
CA-SOUTH										
NORTHERN			5							
GB-EAST										
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	18		14	1	2	1			84	10
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN		6		15					1	3
SOUTHERN	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
USA	19	7	19	16	2	1	0	0	85	13

FED = FEDERAL AND FEDERAL CONTRACT RESOURCES

ST/O = STATE OR OTHER RESOURCES

NR = NO REPORT

AREA	FIRES: Year to date							TOTAL
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS		
ALASKA	1	3			139			143
NORTHWEST	16	9			24	30		79
CA-NORTH		1			59	7		67
CA-SOUTH		5		2	156	38		201
NORTHERN	181	2	9		72	47		311
GB-EAST	3							3
GB-WEST		14		1	5	3		23
SOUTHWEST	100	22	2	16	328	109		577
ROCKY MTN	99	9			135	29		272
EASTERN	499			12	6,389	289		7,189
SOUTHERN	8		28	20	8,361	380		8,797
USA	907	65	39	51	15,668	932		17,662

AREA	ACRES BURNED: Year to date							TOTAL
	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS		
ALASKA	1	487			120			608
NORTHWEST	311	605			272	61		1,249
CA-NORTH		0			7	2		9
CA-SOUTH		2		0	16	2		20
NORTHERN	941	40	1,045		1,360	1,675		5,061
GB-EAST	158							158
GB-WEST		7		0	5	2		14
SOUTHWEST	837	1,199	4	532	31,419	241		34,232
ROCKY MTN	1,020	79			2,595	267		3,961
EASTERN	9,814			174	61,674	3,407		75,069
SOUTHERN	35		5,994	5,452	161,895	6,889		180,265

USA	13,117	2,419	7,043	6,158	259,363	12,546	300,646
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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES							
PROVINCES	YESTERDAY		YEAR TO DATE				
BRITISH COLUMBIA	5		353		2,279		
YUKON TERRITORY			12		9		
ALBERTA	16	8,496	310	235,327			
NORTHWEST TERRITORY			1		1		
SASKATCHEWAN	3	0	189	17,869			
MANITOBA			137	6,914			
ONTARIO	5	2	332	28,749			
QUEBEC	1	0	204	1,537			
NEWFOUNDLAND	18	757	59	887			
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	97	294			
NOVA SCOTIA	2	1	124	211			
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND			7	43			
NATIONAL PARKS			8	614			
TOTALS	52	9,256	1,833	294,734			

A hectare is equivalent to 2.47 acres.

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