

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, MAY 27, 1999 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Fire activity continued in the Southern and Southwest Areas, with minor activity reported elsewhere. Mobilization of resources through the National Interagency Coordination Center included helicopters, communications equipment and miscellaneous overhead to the Southern Area and a helicopter to the Southwest. Large fires in the Southwest and Northern California are nearing completion. Very high and extreme fire indices were reported in Georgia, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

FRIENDLY, Osceola National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Melton) is assigned. This team is also managing the Hickory Island fire. Intense fire activity occurred late afternoon hampering containment efforts, particularly in the northeast corner of the fire. Burnout operations were hindered by rapid humidity recovery last night.

HICKORY ISLAND, Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is being monitored by the team assigned to the Friendly fire. The fire is near Folkston, GA. No significant activity occurred on the fire.

BAY CREEK COMPLEX, Apalachicola National Forest. All planned dozer lines have been completed. Spot fires were suppressed with the aid of a helicopter. Mop-up is continuing. Flare-ups persist in the swamps and are requiring constant monitoring. The increase in acreage is due to burnout operations.

POLE PINE, Florida State Division of Forestry. This fire is located in Pasco County. The right flank of the fire is burning into the Pithlachascotee River Swamp. Airtanker, helicopter and dozer support stopped the head of the fire. Full containment was expected last night.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
FRIENDLY	FL	FNF	15,647	15	6/5	190	1	17	3	0	NR	510K
HICKORY ISLAND	GA	OKR	14,128	50	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR	NR
BAY CREEK	FL	FNF	984	70	5/28	57	1	4	0	0	50K	85K
POLE PINE	FL	FLS	150	30	2/26	26	0	3	1	0	NR	NR
NW COMMAND	FL	FLS	26,000	100	---	19	0	1	2	0	NR	NR

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % | EST | TOTAL | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST | \$\$\$

NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS			LOSS	LOSS	C-T-D	
MEXICO 8	AZ	CNF		370	100	---	280	10	1	2	0	NR 128K

CNF = Coronado National Forest

OUTLOOK:

A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR FLORIDA'S INLAND PANHANDLE FROM NOON UNTIL SUNSET FOR MARGINALLY LOW HUMIDITY DURATIONS.

There will be scattered afternoon thunderstorms throughout Florida. It will be mostly cloudy in the north and partly cloudy in central and south Florida. Minimum humidities will be 35 to 45% inland and 45 to 55% on the coast. Winds will be northwest at 7 to 12 MPH. High temperatures will be 80 to 85 on the coast and in the north, and around 90 in central and south Florida.

California will have areas of coastal low clouds and fog. The rest of the state will be sunny except for isolated mountain thunderstorms in the afternoon. Minimum humidities will be 45 to 65% on the coast, 30 to 45% in the inland valleys, 20 to 30% in the mountains, and 10 to 20% in the deserts. Winds will be southwest at 5 to 20 MPH. High temperatures will be 65 to 75 in the mountains, 75 to 85 in the valleys and 90 to 105 in the deserts.

Arizona will be sunny and warmer. Minimum humidities will be 18 to 28% in the mountains and 8 to 18% at lower elevations. Winds will be southwest to northwest at 5 to 20 MPH. High temperatures will be 73 to 83 in the mountains, and 97 to 106 in the lower elevations.

New Mexico will be partly cloudy with scattered to numerous thunderstorms in the east and to the north. Minimum humidities will be 30 to 50% to the north and in the eastern plains, and 15 to 25% elsewhere. Winds will be north at 10 to 15 MPH. High temperatures will be in the upper 50's to lower 70's in the mountains and to the north, and around 90 elsewhere in the state.

West Texas will be partly cloudy with scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Minimum humidities will be 50 to 60% in the panhandle, 10 to 20% trans-Pecos and 20 to 40% elsewhere. Winds will be at 10 to 15 MPH. High temperatures will be around 70 in the mountains and the panhandle, 90 to 100 trans-Pecos and along the Rio Grande with 80's elsewhere.

FIRE AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					4	4
	ACRES					4	4
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1	1		2	3	7
	ACRES	1	120		2	1	124

CA-NORTH	FIREs	2			10		12
	ACRES	0			3		3
CA-SOUTH	FIREs	1			14	2	17
	ACRES	0			19	1	20
NORTHERN	FIREs						0
	ACRES						0
GB-EAST	FIREs						0
	ACRES						0
GB-WEST	FIREs						0
	ACRES						0
SOUTHWEST	FIREs	1	0			1	2
	ACRES	0	32			275	307
ROCKY MTN	FIREs						0
	ACRES						0
EASTERN	FIREs						0
	ACRES						0
SOUTHERN	FIREs			1	50	1	52
	ACRES			1	404	6,235	6,640
TOTAL	FIREs	5	1	1	76	11	94
	ACRES	1	152	1	428	6,516	7,098

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIREs			1		133	1	135
	ACRES			0		1,264	0	1,264
NORTHWEST	FIREs	38	17			108	23	186
	ACRES	1,918	344			303	249	2,814
CA-NORTH	FIREs	19	4	4	1	414	48	490
	ACRES	3	5	32	25	277	788	1,130
CA-SOUTH	FIREs	6	29	4	1	666	145	851
	ACRES	5	1,198	0	1	4,015	2,793	8,012
NORTHERN	FIREs	2					40	42
	ACRES	2					874	876
GB-EAST	FIREs		21		3	16	13	53
	ACRES		268		6	128	97	499
GB-WEST	FIREs	1	16	1	3	11	3	35
	ACRES	1	418	116	3	26	0	564
SOUTHWEST	FIREs	310	42	7	13	474	361	1,207
	ACRES	4,286	4,926	218	317	57,866	2,125	69,738
ROCKY MTN	FIREs	47	22	15	5	214	43	346
	ACRES	420	858	187	6	2,258	893	4,622
EASTERN	FIREs	513			48	9,483	252	10,296
	ACRES	2,947			342	76,385	3,697	83,371
SOUTHERN	FIREs	34		48	84	25,066	677	25,909
	ACRES	626		18,736	11,944	495,577	40,669	567,552
TOTALS	FIREs	970	151	80	158	36,585	1,606	39,550
	ACRES	10,208	8,017	19,289	12,644	638,099	52,185	740,442

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES					18	18	
	ACRES					4,493	4,493	
CA-NORTH	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES	635						635
CA-SOUTH	FIRES				1		0	1
	ACRES				1		46	47
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES					3	3	
	ACRES					1,064	1,064	
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	0	1	0	21	23
	ACRES	0	635	0	1	0	5,603	6,239

Fires and acres reported to the National Interagency Coordination Center are for operational use. Official totals may be obtained by contacting the Agencies directly.

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires	Hectares	Fires	Hectares
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	9	18	166	1,177
YUKON TERRITORY	0	20	7	22
ALBERTA	31	1,195	239	2,935
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	0	0
SASKATCHEWAN	20	20	104	667
MANITOBA	0	0	203	38,824
ONTARIO	2	0	317	175,188
QUEBEC	2	25	327	1,377
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	80	3,603
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	0	217	319
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	194	1,404
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	4	3
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	7	77
TOTALS	67	1,278	1,865	225,596

RESOURCE 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						2				
NORTHWEST		3	6	3					1	1
CA-NORTH	5	18	20	8					182	409
CA-SOUTH	1				1					
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST	3		2							
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	20		4	1	7		1		57	3
ROCKY MTN										
EASTERN								1	1	
SOUTHERN	2		7	21	3	2			76	65
TOTAL	31	21	39	33	11	4	1	1	317	478

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