

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2000 - 1000 MST  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

Large fire activity increased significantly this week in the Southern Area. A total of 17 large fires were reported since last Friday in Florida, Virginia, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, and Louisiana. The Eastern Area (particularly Missouri) and the Southwest Area also experienced initial attack and large fire activity. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for crews, helicopters, air tankers, lead planes, radio equipment, and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Indiana, Illinois, Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

KISATCHIE WILDERNESS, Kisatchie National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Melton) is assigned. This fire is 10 miles south of Natchitoches, LA in a wilderness area. The fire is burning in heavy yaupon fuels on steep slopes. High winds are hampering suppression efforts.

BENTON TOWER, Florida Division of Forestry. A Type II Incident Management Team (Vultolina) is assigned. The fire, which started on 3/3, is 14 miles north of Lake City, FL. The fire is burning in brush, swamp, and a commercial pine plantation. Containment problems include heavy fuels, rough terrain, and extremely dry conditions. Significant burnout operations are planned for today.

HICKORY CREEK TRAIL, Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest. This fire is burning in a wilderness area east of Chatsworth, Georgia.

DISMAL CREEK, Virginia Department of Forestry. This fire, which started on 3/5, jumped containment lines yesterday. No other information was received.

ROUTE 601, Virginia Department of Forestry. This fire started on 3/8. No other information was received.

BLACKWOOD, Virginia Department of Forestry. This fire started on 3/7. No other information was received.

KNOX CREEK 2, Virginia Department of Forestry. This fire started on 3/6. No other information was received.

LESTER FORK, Virginia Department of Forestry. This fire started on 3/6. No other information was received.

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INCIDENT | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % | EST | TOTAL | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC | EST | \$\$\$  
NAME | | | | CTN | CTN | PERS | | | | | LOSS | LOSS | C-T-D

|                 |    |     |      |     |      |     |    |    |    |    |    |      |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|------|
| KISATCHIE WILDE | LA | KIF | 525  | 40  | 3/10 | 10  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 5K   |
| BENTON TOWER    | FL | FLS | 8327 | 70  | NR   | 151 | 0  | 8  | 8  | 0  | 8M | 170K |
| HICKORY CK. TRA | GA | CHF | 124  | 75  | 3/10 | NR  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | NR | NR   |
| DISMAL CREEK    | VA | VAS | 700  | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |
| ROUTE 601       | VA | VAS | 300  | 80  | NR   | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |
| BLACKWOOD       | VA | VAS | 350  | 80  | NR   | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |
| KNOX CREEK 2    | VA | VAS | 400  | NR  | NR   | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |
| LESTER FORK     | VA | VAS | 400  | 70  | NR   | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |
| FIVE CENTS      | KY | DBF | 125  | 100 | ---  | 65  | 4  | 1  | 1  | 0  | NR | NR   |
| STAR GAP BRANCH | KY | DBF | 415  | 100 | ---  | 28  | 1  | 0  | 0  | 0  | NR | NR   |
| KNOX CREEK      | VA | VAS | 715  | 100 | ---  | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |
| LAKE JANNEY     | MS | MNF | 353  | 100 | ---  | NR  | 1  | 3  | 0  | 0  | NR | NR   |
| BENTON GLADE    | FL | FLS | 2200 | 100 | ---  | NR  | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR   |

DBF = Daniel Boone National Forest  
MNF = National Forests of Mississippi

#### EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

TABOR HOLLOW, Mark Twain National Forest. The fire is 17 miles southeast of Springfield, MO. Containment was expected last night.

HARBOR BELT, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore. The fire is in the Millerwoods area of the National Lakeshore, northeast of Gary, IN. Containment was expected last night.

| INCIDENT<br>NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | %<br>CTN | EST<br>CTN | TOTAL<br>PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC<br>LOSS | EST<br>LOSS | \$\$\$<br>C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|------|----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| TABOR HOLLOW     | MO | MTF  | 101  | 50       | 3/8        | 10            | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 3K          | 3K              |
| HARBOR BELT      | IN | IDP  | 150  | 80       | 3/8        | 30            | 0   | 10  | 0    | 0            | NR          | 10K             |
| TRAM TOWER       | MO | MTF  | 110  | 100      | ---        | 11            | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | NR          | NR              |

#### SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

| INCIDENT<br>NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE  | %<br>CTN | EST<br>CTN | TOTAL<br>PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC<br>LOSS | EST<br>LOSS | \$\$\$<br>C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|-------|----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| GRANDE COMPLEX   | NM | N5S  | 42354 | 100      | ---        | 20            | 0   | 8   | 0    | 3            | 100K        |                 |

N5S = Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry

#### OUTLOOK:

\*\*\* A RED FLAG WARNING IS POSTED FOR CENTRAL KENTUCKY TODAY FOR GUSTY WINDS \*\*\*

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR EASTERN TENNESSEE TODAY FOR GUSTY WINDS \*\*\*

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR PORTIONS OF NORTHERN FLORIDA FOR  
RELATIVE HUMIDITY NEAR 35 PER CENT \*\*\*

Kentucky and Tennessee will be partly cloudy and windy today, with a slight chance of showers. Winds will be south to southwest at 15 to 25 MPH and gusty. High temperatures will range from 65 to 80.

Florida will be partly cloudy with areas of morning fog. Winds will be south to southeast at 5 to 12 MPH. High temperatures will be in the 70's to lower 80's.

Louisiana will be partly cloudy, with a chance of a few showers in the southwest portion of the state. High temperatures will range from 80 to 85, with winds of 5 to 10 MPH.

#### FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

| AREA      |       | BIA  | BLM | FWS  | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL  |
|-----------|-------|------|-----|------|-----|-------|------|--------|
| ALASKA    | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| CA-NORTH  | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| CA-SOUTH  | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| NORTHERN  | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| GB-EAST   | FIRES |      |     |      |     | 1     |      | 1      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     | 50    |      | 50     |
| GB-WEST   | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | 2    |     | 2    |     | 15    | 1    | 20     |
|           | ACRES | 0    |     | 1090 |     | 43002 | 0    | 44092  |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |     |      |     |       |      | 0      |
| EASTERN   | FIRES | 120  |     |      | 4   | 139   | 16   | 279    |
|           | ACRES | 2605 |     |      | 102 | 2308  | 307  | 5322   |
| SOUTHERN  | FIRES | 1    |     | 1    | 0   | 2624  | 124  | 2750   |
|           | ACRES | 15   |     | 15   | 240 | 48357 | 6351 | 54978  |
| TOTAL     | FIRES | 123  | 0   | 3    | 4   | 2779  | 141  | 3050   |
|           | ACRES | 2620 | 0   | 1105 | 342 | 93717 | 6658 | 104442 |

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

| AREA |  | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|------|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|
|------|--|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|

|           |       |      |      |      |      |        |       |        |
|-----------|-------|------|------|------|------|--------|-------|--------|
| ALASKA    | FIRES |      |      |      |      |        |       | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |      |      |      |        |       | 0      |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES |      |      |      |      | 1      |       | 1      |
|           | ACRES |      |      |      |      | 0      |       | 0      |
| CA-NORTH  | FIRES |      |      |      |      |        |       | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |      |      |      |        |       | 0      |
| CA-SOUTH  | FIRES | 1    |      |      | 1    | 170    | 35    | 207    |
|           | ACRES | 0    |      |      | 5    | 16     | 70    | 91     |
| NORTHERN  | FIRE  |      |      |      |      |        |       | 0      |
|           | ACRES |      |      |      |      |        |       | 0      |
| GB-EAST   | FIRES |      | 1    |      |      | 1      |       | 2      |
|           | ACRES |      | 3    |      |      | 50     |       | 53     |
| GB-WEST   | FIRES |      | 1    |      |      |        |       | 1      |
|           | ACRES |      | 1    |      |      |        |       | 1      |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | 71   | 8    | 4    |      | 224    | 70    | 377    |
|           | ACRES | 680  | 1384 | 1593 |      | 151396 | 1101  | 156154 |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES | 1    |      |      | 1    |        |       | 2      |
|           | ACRES | 1330 |      |      | 510  |        |       | 1840   |
| EASTERN   | FIRES | 120  |      |      | 4    | 201    | 50    | 375    |
|           | ACRES | 2605 |      |      | 242  | 2245   | 1059  | 6151   |
| SOUTHERN  | FIRES | 12   |      | 24   | 21   | 12707  | 422   | 13186  |
|           | ACRES | 3293 |      | 5093 | 586  | 232277 | 17441 | 258690 |
| TOTALS    | FIRES | 205  | 10   | 28   | 27   | 13303  | 578   | 14151  |
|           | ACRES | 7908 | 1388 | 6686 | 1343 | 385984 | 19671 | 422980 |

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

| AREA      |       | BIA | BLM | FWS  | NPS | ST/OT | USFS  | TOTAL |
|-----------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| -----     |       |     |     |      |     |       |       |       |
| ALASKA    | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| CA-NORTH  | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       | 3     | 3     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       | 14    | 14    |
| CA-SOUTH  | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| NORTHERN  | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| GB-EAST   | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| GB-WEST   | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES |     |     | 8    |     |       | 4     | 12    |
|           | ACRES |     |     | 131  |     |       | 152   | 283   |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      |     |       |       | 0     |
| EASTERN   | FIRES |     |     |      | 1   | 2     | 8     | 11    |
|           | ACRES |     |     |      | 34  | 85    | 645   | 764   |
| SOUTHERN  | FIRES |     |     | 4    |     | 2     | 46    | 52    |
|           | ACRES |     |     | 1791 |     | 157   | 27850 | 29798 |
| TOTAL     | FIRES | 0   | 0   | 12   | 1   | 4     | 61    | 78    |
|           | ACRES | 0   | 0   | 1922 | 34  | 242   | 28661 | 30859 |

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA       |       | BIA  | BLM  | FWS   | NPS   | ST/OT | USFS   | TOTAL  |
|------------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| ALASKA     | FIRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
|            | ACRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
| NORTHWEST  | FIRES |      | 3    | 4     |       |       | 13     | 20     |
|            | ACRES |      | 91   | 2449  |       |       | 78     | 2618   |
| CA-NORTH   | FIRES |      |      | 2     |       |       | 18     | 20     |
|            | ACRES |      |      | 820   |       |       | 90     | 910    |
| CA-SOUTH   | FIRES |      |      | 1     | 2     |       | 41     | 44     |
|            | ACRES |      |      | 10    | 24    |       | 1488   | 1522   |
| NORTHERN   | FIRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
|            | ACRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
| GB-EAST    | FIRES |      | 1    |       |       | 2     | 1      | 4      |
|            | ACRES |      | 20   |       |       | 10    | 19     | 49     |
| GB-WEST    | FIRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
|            | ACRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
| SOUTHWEST  | FIRES | 21   | 205  | 10    | 1     | 2     | 114    | 353    |
|            | ACRES | 5752 | 4305 | 161   | 11    | 10    | 10954  | 21193  |
| ROCKY MTN  | FIRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
|            | ACRES |      |      |       |       |       |        | 0      |
| EASTERN    | FIRES |      |      |       | 1     | 2     | 19     | 22     |
|            | ACRES |      |      |       | 34    | 85    | 3266   | 3385   |
| SOUTHERN   | FIRES | 1    |      | 77    | 19    | 23    | 445    | 565    |
|            | ACRES | 39   |      | 37179 | 14243 | 2731  | 237350 | 291542 |
| USA TOTALS | FIRES | 22   | 209  | 94    | 23    | 29    | 651    | 1028   |
|            | ACRES | 5791 | 4416 | 40619 | 14312 | 2836  | 253245 | 321219 |

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

| AREA      |       | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|-----------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|
| ALASKA    | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| CA-NORTH  | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| CA-SOUTH  | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|           | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| 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 |   |   |   |   |   |   | 0 |
|            | ACRES |   |   |   |   |   |   | 0 |
| USA TOTALS | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|            | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

WILDLAND FIRE USE (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     |
| CA-NORTH   | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| CA-SOUTH   | FIRES |     |     |     | 1   |       |      | 1     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     | 0   |       |      | 0     |
| NORTHERN   | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| GB-EAST    | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| GB-WEST    | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| SOUTHWEST  | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       | 1    | 1     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       | 300  | 300   |
| ROCKY MTN  | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| EASTERN    | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| SOUTHERN   | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
|            | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |      | 0     |
| USA TOTALS | FIRES | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0     | 1    | 2     |
|            | ACRES | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0     | 300  | 300   |

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

RESOURCE STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

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|           |    |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
|-----------|----|---|----|----|---|---|---|---|----|----|---|
| CA-SOUTH  |    |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
| NORTHERN  |    |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
| GB-EAST   |    |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
| GB-WEST   |    |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
| SOUTHWEST |    |   |    | 8  |   |   |   |   |    |    | 5 |
| ROCKY MTN |    |   |    |    |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
| EASTERN   |    |   | 2  | 8  |   |   |   |   |    |    |   |
| SOUTHERN  | 15 | 2 | 8  | 12 | 7 | 5 | 1 |   | 41 | 44 |   |
| TOTAL     | 15 | 2 | 10 | 28 | 7 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 41 | 49 |   |

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