

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 MONDAY, MAY 8, 2000 - 0530 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

New large fires were reported over the weekend in the Southwest, Southern, Eastern, and Rocky Mountain areas. Two Type I Incident Management Teams were committed in the Southwest Area. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized helicopters, infrared aircraft, caterers, showers, radio equipment, engines and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Colorado, Texas, Oklahoma, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

A state contract single engine air tanker hit a guy wire and crashed on the Cook Ranch fire in Texas on Sunday, killing the pilot. The entire fire community extends condolences to the family and friends of the pilot.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CERRO GRANDE, Bandelier National Monument. A Type I Incident Management Team (Humphrey) is assigned. The fire is burning in mixed conifer six miles southwest of Los Alamos, NM. The fire began as a prescribed burn, but escaped prescription and was declared a wildfire on 5/5. Several structures in the area are currently threatened but protection efforts near the Los Alamos National Laboratory have been successful.

CREE, Lincoln National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Hart) has been ordered. The fire is burning in Gavilan Canyon near Ruidoso, NM. Three subdivisions were evacuated and three structures were destroyed. Winds gusting to 40 mph and very low relative humidities are hampering containment efforts. Spotting of up to three-quarters of a mile has been observed.

COON CREEK, Tonto National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. The fire is 20 miles north of Globe, AZ in the Sierra Ancha Wilderness. Crews continued line construction and a burnout operation on the southern flank. The fire was successfully held at the head of Pueblo Canyon with the assistance of air support.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CERRO GRANDE	NM	BAP	550	40	5/8	137	4	7	2	0	0	40K
CREE	NM	LNF	3000	10	UNK	115	2	35	1	3	NR	NR
COON CREEK	AZ	TNF	8567	50	UNK	389	12	8	3	0	NR	4.1M
JUG	NM	LCD	2000	100	---	34	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

LCD = Las Cruces Field Office, BLM

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

LONG BAY, National Forests of Florida. A Type I Incident Management Team (Melton) is assigned. This fire is burning in the Apalachicola National Forest 40 miles southwest of Tallahassee, FL. Spotting, erratic fire behavior, and dense fuels are causing control problems. Helicopter water drops assisted crews in holding the line. Several roads and highways in the area remain closed.

COOK RANCH, Texas State Forest Service. The fire is burning 36 miles south of Ft. Stockton, TX in oak, pinyon pine, and juniper. It was started by lightning on 5/4. Inaccessibility, heavy fuels, and high winds are causing containment problems. Current threats are to oil wells and 12 structures in a ranch complex.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
LONG BAY	FL	FNF	3377	60	5/8	188	3	13	7	0	NR	975K
COOK RANCH	TX	TXS	25000	UNK	UNK	90	1	6	2	0	NR	NR

#### EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
ELBOW LAKE	MN	MNS	1060	100	---	12	0	0	0	0	NR	388K
TURTLE BAY COMP	MN	MNS	500	100	---	25	1	8	1	0	NR	3K
BLUE RIDGE	WI	WIS	170	100	---	NR	0	0	0	0	NR	NR

MNS = Minnesota State Forestry

WIS = Wisconsin State Forestry

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
SPOOKY	CO	CRD	150	100	---	5	0	1	0	0	NR	NR

CRD = Craig Ranger District, BLM

#### OUTLOOK:

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED FOR STRONG WINDS AND LOW HUMIDITIES IN NEW MEXICO TODAY \*\*\*

New Mexico will be partly cloudy with winds of 20 to 30 mph. The northern part of the state will be a little cooler, with a slight chance of showers

or thunderstorms, but little precipitation will reach the ground. Minimum afternoon humidities will be 5 to 15 percent. High temperatures will range from the mid 60's to the low 80's in the mountains, and into the 90's in the lower elevations.

Arizona will be mostly sunny and breezy with winds of 15 to 25 mph. Afternoon humidities will be 10 to 25 percent. High temperatures will be in the upper 70's to the upper 80's.

West Texas will be sunny and breezy, with winds of 15 to 25 mph. High temperatures will range from the 80's in the panhandle and up to 110 in the southern part of the state.

Florida will be partly cloudy. There will be a chance of showers or thunderstorms in southern Florida. High temperatures will be in the 80's.

Minnesota, Wisconsin, and lower Michigan will have showers and thunderstorms. High temperatures will range from the 60's in the north, to the 80's in the south.

#### FIRES AND ACRES THE LAST THREE DAYS:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					2		2
NORTHWEST	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					10		10
	ACRES					4		4
NORTHERN	FIRES	154		4		33	2	193
	ACRES	2617		368		63	211	3259
GB-EAST	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		2					2
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	4	2	2	1	13	13	35
	ACRES	4	2010	1	349	128	4765	7257
ROCKY MTN	FIRES		1			28	1	30
	ACRES		150			80	1	231
EASTERN	FIRES	3			1		17	21
	ACRES	1			1		35	37
SOUTHERN	FIRES				6	153	0	159
	ACRES				10	14043	2677	16730
TOTAL	FIRES	162	5	6	8	240	33	454
	ACRES	2623	2162	369	360	14320	7689	27523

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES				1	26		27
	ACRES				0	48		48
NORTHWEST	FIRES	26	2	2		12	13	55
	ACRES	229	50	0		21	5	305
CA-NORTH	FIRES					194	35	229
	ACRES					125	4271	4396
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1	11		1	614	94	721
	ACRES	0	66		5	433	152	656
NORTHERN	FIRE	461	2	4		177	36	680
	ACRES	5348	18	368		4509	66	10309
GB-EAST	FIRES	8	23			4	13	48
	ACRES	566	456			72	3	1097
GB-WEST	FIRES	4	12				12	28
	ACRES	60	302				1	363
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	219	39	11	16	577	218	1080
	ACRES	2211	4384	7365	416	206985	28343	249704
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	5	11	4	2	116	21	159
	ACRES	1385	200	168	5952	23282	6002	36989
EASTERN	FIRES	741			17	6365	347	7470
	ACRES	15737			466	68731	14913	99847
SOUTHERN	FIRES	20		34	36	20202	626	20918
	ACRES	3754		5729	900	354558	22581	387522
TOTALS	FIRES	1485	100	55	73	28287	1415	31415
	ACRES	29290	5476	13630	7739	658764	76337	791236

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES THE LAST THREE DAYS:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	2					1	3
	ACRES	21					835	856
CA-NORTH	FIRES						23	23
	ACRES						1159	1159
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES	20		18	2	9	25	74
	ACRES	1775		2669	55	3125	7528	15152
GB-EAST	FIRES		0			0		0
	ACRES		120			50		170
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1					0	1
	ACRES	150					5500	5650
ROCKY MTN	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			1100				1100
EASTERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						50	50
SOUTHERN	FIRES				2		1	3

	ACRES				1500		500	2000
TOTAL	FIRES	23	0	19	4	9	51	106
	ACRES	1946	120	3769	1555	3175	15572	26137

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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	12	15	25			83	135
	ACRES	4349	1155	5022			14476	25002
CA-NORTH	FIRES			2			116	118
	ACRES			820			8656	9476
CA-SOUTH	FIRES			1	2		77	80
	ACRES			10	24		4441	4475
NORTHERN	FIRES	20	1	38	3	42	173	277
	ACRES	1775	1200	9706	395	5738	27924	46738
GB-EAST	FIRES		15	3	3	5	16	42
	ACRES		1400	700	975	125	11263	14463
GB-WEST	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1526	1526
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	31	212	26	9	2	188	468
	ACRES	8385	14267	1888	4269	360	62491	91660
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	1	2	43		7	28	81
	ACRES	30	1400	10702		675	10981	23788
EASTERN	FIRES	9			11	84	178	282
	ACRES	2772			1290	49683	17737	71482
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		130	59	103	695	995
	ACRES	879		60699	35703	61971	450780	610032
USA TOTALS	FIRES	81	245	268	87	243	1556	2480
	ACRES	18190	19422	89547	42656	118552	610275	898642

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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							390		390
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	390			390

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

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										
CA-NORTH										
CA-SOUTH										
NORTHERN										
GB-EAST										
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	23		37	26	6		1		183	94
ROCKY MTN			1							
EASTERN		1		8		1			9	
SOUTHERN	4		12	4	7				65	9
TOTAL	27	1	50	38	13	1	1	0	257	103

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