

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, MAY 12, 2000 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

CURRENT SITUATION:

Two new large fires were reported in the Southwest Area. The Cerro Grande fire near Los Alamos, NM continued to destroy structures. Winds are forecast to diminish somewhat for New Mexico and Arizona today. The Southwest Area ordered another Type I Incident Management Team. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for helicopters, airtankers, meteorological equipment, radio equipment, caterers, showers, engines, crews, and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, Oklahoma, California, Utah, and Maryland.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CERRO GRANDE, Bandelier National Monument. An Area Command Team (Meuchel) and two Type I Incident Management Teams (Humphrey and Bateman) are assigned. The fire is burning near Los Alamos, NM. Efforts are being made to reestablish a secure anchor point. Engines and crews continued to battle structural loss in the community of Los Alamos and at the Los Alamos Laboratory. Extreme fire behavior was observed in all areas. The Incident Command Post was evacuated.

SCOTT ABLE, Lincoln National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Garcia) is assigned. A Type I Incident Management Team (Studebaker) has been ordered. The fire is burning in heavy timber 20 miles south of Cloudcroft, NM. Residents in the communities of Weed and Sacramento have been evacuated. Fire behavior yesterday included crowning and spotting up to 3/4 mile. The fire was caused by a downed power line.

OUTLET, Grand Canyon National Park. A Type II Incident Management Team (Anderson) is assigned. A Type I Incident Management Team (Frye) has been ordered. The fire is burning in ponderosa pine and mixed conifer two miles north of North Rim Village. High winds continued to cause problems yesterday.

CREE, Lincoln National Forest. A Type I Incident Management Team (Hart) is assigned. The fire is burning in pinyon-juniper forest near Ruidoso, NM. Residents were allowed to return to their homes yesterday and most roads were reopened. Crews held the fire within established firelines, despite winds gusting to 60 mph.

MANUELITAS, Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry. The fire is burning in pinyon-juniper and ponderosa pine fuels, ten miles north of Las Vegas, NM. Residents in the communities of Manuelitas and Cañoncitos were evacuated. Highway 94 has been closed.

COON CREEK, Tonto National Forest. The fire is 20 miles north of Globe, AZ in the Sierra Ancha Wilderness. No significant fire activity occurred yesterday. Crews and engines patrolled the west and northeast sides of the fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
CERRO GRANDE	NM	BAP	19000	0	UNK	780	29	23	8	295	UNK	2.5M
SCOTT ABLE	NM	LNF	6000	0	UNK	400	12	53	0	UNK	UNK	UNK
OUTLET	AZ	GCP	7000	0	5/18	230	10	3	1	0	UNK	209K
CREE	NM	LNF	8650	41	5/15	1061	28	57	5	3	NR	2.5M
MANUELITAS	NM	N4S	350	UNK	UNK	98	2	12	0	0	UNK	UNK
COON CREEK	AZ	TNF	9259	50	UNK	59	1	6	2	0	NR	4.9M

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

COOK RANCH, Texas State Forest Service. The fire is burning 36 miles south of Ft. Stockton, TX. The fire continued to burn actively yesterday. Heavy smoke and decreased visibility caused Highway 385 to be shut down. Crews conducted a burnout operation.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
COOK RANCH	TX	TXS	45000	45	5/20	308	7	8	4	1	NR	NR
PALM SWAMP	FL	FLS	120	100	---	UNK	UNK	UNK	1	0	UNK	UNK

FLS = Florida State Forestry

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN THE NORTHERN HALF OF FLORIDA FOR LOW AFTERNOON RELATIVE HUMIDITIES ***

New Mexico and Arizona will be mostly sunny and cooler. Winds will be west to northwest at 10 to 20 mph. Afternoon temperatures will be in the high 60's to 70's in the mountains and near 90 at lower elevations. Minimum relative humidities will be between 15 and 25 percent.

West Texas will be mostly sunny and cooler. High temperatures will be in the 90's. Winds will be west at 10 to 20 mph. Afternoon relative humidities will range from 5 to 15 percent.

Florida will be partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms in the south central part of the state. High temperatures will be in the 90's. Minimum relative humidities will be 35 to 45 percent.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES						0

	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-NORTH	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					0	1	1
CA-SOUTH	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
NORTHERN	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
GB-EAST	FIRES		1			3	1	5
	ACRES		12			0	2	14
GB-WEST	FIRES	1	2				2	5
	ACRES	0	1				50	51
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	2	1		0	3	3	9
	ACRES	5	0		14500	354	10151	25010
ROCKY MTN	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					5	1	6
EASTERN	FIRES	2				74	2	78
	ACRES	0				418	2	420
SOUTHERN	FIRES					99	3	102
	ACRES					2445	5	2450
TOTAL	FIRES	5	4	0	0	183	14	206
	ACRES	5	13	0	14500	3222	10212	27952

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES			1	1	61		63
	ACRES			700	0	324		1024
NORTHWEST	FIRES	32	2	2		35	15	86
	ACRES	260	50	0		258	5	573
CA-NORTH	FIRES					223	36	259
	ACRES					205	4272	4477
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	1	11		1	623	98	734
	ACRES	0	66		5	439	152	662
NORTHERN	FIRES	481	2	4		179	39	705
	ACRES	5375	18	368		4509	76	10346
GB-EAST	FIRES	8	24			9	15	56
	ACRES	566	468			72	5	1111
GB-WEST	FIRES	5	14				14	33
	ACRES	60	303				51	414
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	222	43	12	16	593	224	1110
	ACRES	2218	4385	7440	8416	207324	52688	282471
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	295	13	12	5	210	43	578
	ACRES	11782	230	432	6462	24208	6386	49500
EASTERN	FIRES	765			24	7020	355	8164
	ACRES	15825			469	70940	15094	102328
SOUTHERN	FIRES	20		34	39	20687	657	21437
	ACRES	3754		5729	985	358099	23983	392550
TOTALS	FIRES	1829	109	65	86	29640	1496	33225
	ACRES	39840	5520	14669	16337	666378	102712	845456

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

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						107	107
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	1					2	3
	ACRES	40					112	152
SOUTHERN	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						200	200
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	4	5
	ACRES	40	0	0	0	0	419	459

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			84	136
	ACRES	4636	1155	5022			14587	25400
CA-NORTH	FIRES			2			117	119
	ACRES			820			9359	10179
CA-SOUTH	FIRES			1	2		78	81
	ACRES			10	24		4571	4605
NORTHERN	FIRES	20	1	39	3	42	186	291
	ACRES	1775	1200	10048	395	5738	29177	48333
GB-EAST	FIRES		15	3	3	5	16	42
	ACRES		1426	700	975	125	11290	14516
GB-WEST	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						1526	1526
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	31	213	26	9	2	188	469

	ACRES	8385	14214	1888	4269	360	59491	88607
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	2	8	100	6	7	39	162
	ACRES	40	2743	18137	2672	675	13726	37993
EASTERN	FIRES	12			11	89	184	296
	ACRES	2832			1290	51578	17958	73658
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		130	59	103	697	997
	ACRES	879		60699	35703	61971	450985	610237
USA TOTALS	FIRES	85	252	326	93	248	1591	2595
	ACRES	18547	20738	97324	45328	120447	612670	915054

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 Last Week	Hectares Last Week	Fires Year-to-date	Hectares Year-to-date
BRITISH COLUMBIA	0	0	186	571
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	3	0
ALBERTA	0	0	206	4326
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	0	0
SASKATCHEWAN	2	0	86	3866
MANITOBA	1	1	89	11570
ONTARIO	1	13	134	771
QUEBEC	0	1	141	152
NEWFOUNDLAND	1	0	30	68
NEW BRUNSWICK	0	0	71	82
NOVA SCOTIA	0	0	18	6
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	1	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	4	7
TOTALS	6	15	969	21420

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									6	
CA-NORTH	2									
CA-SOUTH										
NORTHERN			10	1						
GB-EAST			1							
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	93	4	65	95	15	3	1		331	162
ROCKY MTN			7	2						
EASTERN									2	
SOUTHERN	10		7	10	5		3		50	3

TOTAL		105	4	90	108	20	3	4	0	389	165
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