

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
 SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2000 - 0900 MDT  
 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL III

CURRENT SITUATION:

New large fires were reported in the Southern Area. Initial attack activity was moderate in the Southern Area, light in the rest of the nation. Large fires in the Southwest Area are approaching containment goals, and a Type I Incident Management Team was demobilized. The National Interagency Coordination Center processed orders for a lead plane, infrared aircraft, radio equipment, and miscellaneous overhead. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in New Mexico, Arizona, California, Utah, Texas, Oklahoma, and Minnesota.

On 5/13, Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt and Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman announced a 30-day suspension of all federal prescribed fires west of the 100th meridian. For more information, see the U.S. Forest Service Fire web page at [www.fs.fed.us/fire/news.shtml](http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/news.shtml).

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CERRO GRANDE, Bandelier National Monument. An Area Command Team (Meuchel) and a Type I Incident Management Teams (Gage) are assigned. The fire is near Los Alamos, NM. Fire intensity decreased as cloudy and cooler conditions prevailed. Construction of direct fireline over the Caballo Mountains on the west side of the fire is continuing. Crews have completed an indirect contingency fireline on the Baca Ranch. The two zones of this fire have been consolidated.

OUTLET, Grand Canyon National Park. A Type I Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. The fire is burning in designated and proposed wilderness 25 miles south of Jacob Lake, AZ. Continued favorable weather aided crews in completing fireline along the northwest flank. Mop up and rehabilitation are progressing on the western and southeastern portions of the fire. The North Rim structure protection group has been released.

LEWIS SPRINGS, Safford-Tucson Field Office, BLM. The fire is near Escalope, AZ in Cochise County. One structure was destroyed. 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
CERRO GRANDE	NM	BAP	47650	80	5/22	917	27	13	6	235	NR	8.6M
OUTLET	AZ	GCP	13350	75	5/21	1016	33	17	7	0	NR	5.0M
LEWIS SPRINGS	AZ	SAD	375	90	5/19	96	2	8	1	1	30K	100K

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

LONG BAY, National Forests of Florida. A Type II Incident Management Team

(Wilkins) is assigned. The fire is in the Apalachicola National Forest, 40 miles southwest of Tallahassee, FL. A burnout operation has been successfully completed. Mop up of hot spots along control lines continues.

CARLTON RESERVE, Florida State Division of Forestry. The fire is ten miles northwest of Port Charlotte, FL. Some spotting has been observed. Crews are mopping up 100 feet in from the fireline.

CANEY BOTTOM, National Forests in North Carolina. This fire is 22 miles northwest of Burnsville, NC. Crews will continue mop up operations and begin rehabilitation work today.

SQUIRREL COMMAND, Florida Division of Forestry. No information reported.

MICROWAVE COMMAND, Florida Division of Forestry. No information reported.

ZEBRA FINCH, Florida Division of Forestry. No information reported.

UNION COUNTY LINE, Florida Division of Forestry. No information reported.

POINT PETER, Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. No information reported.

CAMP LEJUNE, North Carolina. No information reported.

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LONG BAY	FL	FNF	6679	90	5/21	134	3	9	6	0	NR	2.1M
CARLTON RESERVE	FL	FLS	5750	50	UNK	77	0	17	2	0	NR	107K
CANEY BOTTOM	NC	NCF	465	85	5/20	131	5	0	3	0	NR	NR
SQUIRREL COMMAN	FL	FLS	1400	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
MICROWAVE COMMA	FL	FLS	1000	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
ZEBRA FINCH	FL	FLS	120	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
UNION COUNTY LI	FL	FLS	100	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
POINT PETER	NC	ALR	135	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
CAMP LEJUNE	NC	NR	261	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR

NR= No report

#### EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	EST LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
LIGHTNING	MO	MTF	128	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	4K

MTF = Mark Twain NF

OUTLOOK:

\*\*\* A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN NORTHEAST AND CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR  
LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITIES \*\*\*

Florida will be partly cloudy with widely scattered showers and thunderstorms in the panhandle. The northwest part of the state will have patchy morning fog. Winds will be southeast to southwest at 5 to 15 mph. High temperatures will be in the mid 80's to lower 90's. Afternoon relative humidities will be 30 to 50 percent.

New Mexico will be partly cloudy with scattered afternoon thunderstorms in the northern and central mountains. There is a slight chance of thunderstorms in the southern part of the state. High temperatures will range from the 60's in the northern mountains to near 90 in the southern deserts. Winds will be southwest 10 to 20 mph. Minimum relative humidities will be 20 to 30 percent.

Arizona will be mostly sunny and warmer. Temperatures will be in the mid 60's in the northern mountains and up to 105 in the southern deserts. Winds will be east to south at 5 to 15 mph. Minimum relative humidities will be 8 to 18 percent.

West Texas will be partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. High temperatures will be from the 70's in the northern part of the state to the lower 90's along the Rio Grande. Winds will be south to southeast at 5 to 15 mph. Minimum relative humidities will be 25 to 37 percent.

North and South Carolina will be mostly cloudy in the north and mostly sunny in the south. There is a chance for afternoon thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the mid 80's to mid 90's. Winds will be southwest to west at 10 to 15 mph.

# FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					4		4
NORTHWEST	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					5		5
CA-NORTH	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					9		9
NORTHERN	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	1					1	2
GB-EAST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	1	1		1	1	5	9
	ACRES	0	0		0	1	4	5
ROCKY MTN	FIRES							0

	ACRES							0
EASTERN	FIRES					13		13
	ACRES					683		683
SOUTHERN	FIRES			1	1	166	5	173
	ACRES			135	75	1327	36	1573
TOTAL	FIRES	2	1	1	2	200	11	217
	ACRES	1	0	135	75	2029	41	2281

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES	1		1	1	103		106
	ACRES	6		700	0	498		1204
NORTHWEST	FIRES	32	10	2		43	22	109
	ACRES	260	53	0		266	9	588
CA-NORTH	FIRES	14				226	38	278
	ACRES	46				206	4272	4524
CA-SOUTH	FIRES	3	11		5	711	111	841
	ACRES	19	66		6	584	162	837
NORTHERN	FIRES	499	2	12		186	45	744
	ACRES	5488	18	468		6112	77	12163
GB-EAST	FIRES	8	32			11	20	71
	ACRES	566	481			99	8	1154
GB-WEST	FIRES	5	14				14	33
	ACRES	60	303				51	414
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	251	54	13	18	631	259	1226
	ACRES	2158	24138	10440	8930	213279	73973	332918
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	321	13	15	6	242	50	647
	ACRES	11946	231	517	6492	24362	6398	49946
EASTERN	FIRES	760			25	7409	364	8558
	ACRES	15802			519	76294	15260	107875
SOUTHERN	FIRES	20		35	40	26077	707	26879
	ACRES	3754		5864	1788	457247	26965	495618
TOTALS	FIRES	1914	136	78	95	35639	1630	39492
	ACRES	40105	25290	17989	17735	778947	127175	1007241

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							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					3	3	6
	ACRES					5221	60	5281
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	3	3	6
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5221	60	5281

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	12	16	25			151	204
	ACRES	4636	3387	5022			18818	31863
CA-NORTH	FIRES			2			117	119
	ACRES			820			9359	10179
CA-SOUTH	FIRES			1	3		79	83
	ACRES			10	124		5092	5226
NORTHERN	FIRES	20	3	54	3	57	198	335
	ACRES	1775	1350	12078	395	6416	32587	54601
GB-EAST	FIRES		15	3	3	5	16	42
	ACRES		1497	700	975	151	11290	14613
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	1	8	107	10	7	61	194
	ACRES	850	2743	18932	2937	675	19923	46060
EASTERN	FIRES	13			11	117	205	346
	ACRES	2902			1290	81492	18275	103959
SOUTHERN	FIRES	8		130	60	103	697	998
	ACRES	879		60699	35706	61971	450985	610240
USA TOTALS	FIRES	85	255	348	99	291	1714	2792
	ACRES	19427	23191	100149	45696	151065	627346	966874

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	5	3	206	769
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	5	0
ALBERTA	2	0	229	4422
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	1	1	1	1
SASKATCHEWAN	0	0	106	3604
MANITOBA	1	8	98	11608
ONTARIO	1	3	148	779
QUEBEC	1	0	152	154
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	4	39	79
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	0	79	85
NOVA SCOTIA	9	212	40	227
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	3	1
NATIONAL PARKS	0	0	4	7
TOTALS	25	231	1110	21736

## 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			2	2					2	
CA-NORTH										
CA-SOUTH										
NORTHERN			17							
GB-EAST			1							
GB-WEST										
SOUTHWEST	84	12	90	33	21	4	10		649	195
ROCKY MTN				2						
EASTERN									2	
SOUTHERN	15		17	31	12	2	5		105	37
TOTAL	99	12	127	68	33	6	15	0	758	232

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