

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2000 - 1000 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL II

CURRENT SITUATION:

The Southern Area reported three new large fires in Kentucky. Initial attack activity was heavy in Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. Two large fires were contained, one in Alabama and one in Kentucky. A chance of showers and higher relative humidity should moderate fire behavior on most of the Southern Area large fires. The National Interagency Coordination Center mobilized a Type I Incident Management Team, helicopters, tactical aircraft, radio equipment, engines, crews, crew transport vehicles and overhead resources for the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

A Type I Incident Management Team (Gage) has been ordered to stage in Knoxville, TN.

SHENANDOAH COMPLEX, Shenandoah National Park. A Type I Incident Management Team (Stutler) is assigned. A Unified Command is in place with the Virginia Department of Forestry and Page, Rappahannock and Madison Counties. This complex consists of the Pinnacles and the Old Rag fires, which are five miles southeast of Luray, VA. The Old Rag fire has extended beyond the park boundary and structure protection efforts have been initiated. Roads and trails have been closed in all three counties. Current threats are to structures in the area.

BRUSHY RIDGE COMPLEX, National Forests in North Carolina. A Type I Incident Management Team (Melton) is assigned. These fires are burning in the Linville Gorge Wilderness 20 miles north of Marion, NC. Highway 1238 has been closed. Burnout and mopup operations are ongoing to secure constructed firelines. Steep terrain, inaccessibility and very dry fuels are challenging containment efforts.

WATERVILLE COMPLEX, National Forests in North Carolina. A Type I Incident Management Team (Stam) is assigned. These fires are burning near the North Carolina-Tennessee state line 25 miles west of Waynesville, NC. Included in the complex are the Barnes Valley, Dead Dog Ridge, Tobes Creek and Miller Town fires. A burnout operation is underway with suppression efforts emphasizing structure protection.

BIG SOUTH FORK COMPLEX, Big South Fork National Recreation Area. A Type I Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. The fires are 50 miles northwest of Knoxville, TN. The complex consists of the Schoolhouse, Camp and Darrow Ridge fires. Higher relative humidity, cloud cover and smoke have lessened the fires intensity. A minor slopover occurred on the Schoolhouse fire which crews have been able to contain.

HONEY BEE COMPLEX, Daniel Boone National Forest. A Type II Incident Management Team (Kearney) is assigned. These fires are within a 15 mile

radius of Whitley City, KY. Fires included in the complex are the Bicycle, Honey Bee, Maybe Later, Lot, Journey s End, Sanders Creek, Jackson Setup, River, and several others less than 100 acres. Five new starts have been added to the complex with four of the fires now contained.

SOUTHEAST DISTRICT COMPLEX, Kentucky State Division of Forestry. A Type I Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. These fires are near Pineville, KY. TIPTON HILL, National Forests in North Carolina. This fire is northwest of Bakersville, NC. Limited access, steep terrain and dry conditions are hindering containment efforts. Structures in the area are currently threatened.

THOUSANDSTICKS, Daniel Boone National Forest. This fire, which started on 10/30, is two miles northeast of Hyden, KY.

BLUFTON, Cherokee National Forest. This fire is near Hartford, TN. The fire continues to make runs. Crews are conducting a burnout operation.

GREENEVILLE COMPLEX, Tennessee State Division of Forestry. This complex includes the Clinch Mountain fire (500 acres) in Grainger County and the Barnes Valley fire (300 acres) in Cooke County.

KNOXVILLE COMPLEX, Tennessee State Division of Forestry. Included in this complex are the Indian Creek fire in Anderson County and the Sheilds Mountain and Bluff Mountain fires in Sevier County. Water drops by a National Guard helicopter are assisting firefighters with suppression efforts. Residences in the area are threatened.

COOKEVILLE COMPLEX, Tennessee State Division of Forestry. Nine fires in Fentress County make up this complex. Two of the fires are burning toward the Big South Fork National Recreation Area.

CHATTANOOGA COMPLEX, Tennessee State Division of Forestry. This complex is made up four fires of 75 to 200 acres each.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTAL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOSS | EST LOSS | \$\$\$ C-T-D |
|------------------|----|------|-------|----------|------------|---------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|-------------|-----------------|
| SHENANDOAH COMP | VA | SHP | 11292 | 10 | 11/17 | 662 | 24 | 8 | 4 | 3 | NR | 987K |
| BRUSHY RIDGE CP | NC | NCF | 4890 | 65 | 11/4 | 469 | 17 | 7 | 4 | 0 | NR | 746K |
| WATERVILLE COMP | NC | NCF | 800 | 0 | UNK | 217 | 8 | 4 | 0 | 0 | NR | NR |
| BIG SOUTH FORK | TN | BSP | 5000 | 0 | UNK | 116 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | NR | NR |
| HONEY BEE COMPL | KY | DBF | 4410 | 50 | UNK | 203 | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| SOUTHEAST DISTR | KY | KYS | UNK | UNK | UNK | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| TIPTON HILL | NC | NCF | 2000 | 60 | UNK | 320 | 10 | 17 | 1 | 0 | NR | 139K |
| THOUSANDSTICKS | KY | DBF | 3000 | UNK | UNK | 57 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | NR | NR |
| BLUFTON | TN | CNF | 500 | 90 | UNK | 80 | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| GREENEVILLE CPL | TN | TNS | 800 | UNK | UNK | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| KNOXVILLE COMPL | TN | TNS | 5130 | UNK | UNK | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| COOKEVILLE COMP | TN | TNS | 5000 | UNK | UNK | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| CHATTANOOGA CPL | TN | TNS | 337 | UNK | UNK | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR |
| SOUTH FORK | KY | DBF | 257 | 100 | --- | 13 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NR | NR |
| CHEROKEE | AL | ALS | 1385 | 100 | --- | NR | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | NR | NR |

ALS = Alabama State Forestry Commission

OUTLOOK:

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN THE ALLEGHENY HIGHLANDS OF VIRGINIA AND EAST INTO THE SOUTHERN SHENANDOAH VALLEY AND THE BLUE RIDGE FOR LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY AND STRONG WINDS ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH IS POSTED IN MOST OF MISSISSIPPI EXCEPT FOR THE NORTHWEST FORESTS FOR LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY ***

A frontal boundary stretches from west to east across the states of Virginia, North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky. Combined with an increasingly moist flow from the southwest, this frontal boundary will bring cloudy skies, increased relative humidity and a chance of some precipitation to the region. Western areas will have scattered showers and thunderstorms, while in the east showers and thunderstorms will be isolated.

Temperatures will be cooler, with highs ranging from 55 to 60 degrees in the western portions of the Carolina s, Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia, and into the 70 s in the east. Minimum relative humidity will be 55 to 65 percent in the west and in the Appalachians, while relative humidity in the east will be 35 to 45 percent. Winds will generally be north at 5 to 10 mph except near the Atlantic coast, where winds will be southeast to southwest at 5 to 10 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|-----------|-------|-----|-----|-----|------|-------|------|-------|
| ALASKA | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| ALASKA | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHWEST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| CA-NORTH | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| CA-NORTH | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| CA-SOUTH | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| CA-SOUTH | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHERN | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHERN | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-EAST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-EAST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-WEST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-WEST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| SOUTHWEST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| ROCKY MTN | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| EASTERN | FIRES | | | | | | 3 | 3 |
| EASTERN | ACRES | | | | | | 8 | 8 |
| SOUTHERN | FIRES | | | | 1 | 197 | 9 | 207 |
| SOUTHERN | ACRES | | | | 6692 | 7323 | 3544 | 17559 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 197 | 12 | 210 |

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| TOTAL | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6692 | 7323 | 3552 | 17567 |
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FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|-----------|-------|--------|---------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| ALASKA | FIRES | 1 | 13 | 22 | 8 | 302 | 5 | 351 |
| ALASKA | ACRES | 6 | 143076 | 246961 | 43763 | 317427 | 0 | 751233 |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES | 228 | 251 | 41 | 20 | 1508 | 1039 | 3087 |
| NORTHWEST | ACRES | 24062 | 223016 | 83023 | 10 | 256116 | 147809 | 734036 |
| CA-NORTH | FIRES | 227 | 14 | 6 | 10 | 2425 | 721 | 3403 |
| CA-NORTH | ACRES | 276 | 142 | 254 | 1 | 30761 | 58326 | 89760 |
| CA-SOUTH | FIRES | 31 | 86 | 6 | 72 | 2737 | 872 | 3804 |
| CA-SOUTH | ACRES | 53 | 41086 | 98 | 132 | 28187 | 69802 | 139358 |
| NORTHERN | FIRE | 969 | 79 | 34 | 53 | 1246 | 1684 | 4065 |
| NORTHERN | ACRES | 41227 | 12904 | 3008 | 6098 | 231114 | 789512 | 1083863 |
| GB-EAST | FIRES | 84 | 1159 | 5 | 54 | 619 | 1194 | 3115 |
| GB-EAST | ACRES | 42680 | 497884 | 2393 | 10517 | 136369 | 811728 | 1501571 |
| GB-WEST | FIRES | 8 | 674 | 5 | 9 | 105 | 262 | 1063 |
| GB-WEST | ACRES | 2380 | 597608 | 1106 | 13 | 7211 | 27424 | 635742 |
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | 1373 | 310 | 23 | 88 | 1335 | 2777 | 5906 |
| SOUTHWEST | ACRES | 18782 | 71212 | 16091 | 11403 | 338098 | 145955 | 601541 |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES | 657 | 857 | 40 | 60 | 891 | 851 | 3356 |
| ROCKY MTN | ACRES | 164413 | 109493 | 25585 | 33334 | 54617 | 114602 | 502044 |
| EASTERN | FIRES | 776 | | 11 | 28 | 10580 | 505 | 11900 |
| EASTERN | ACRES | 15910 | | 1325 | 519 | 109374 | 16896 | 144024 |
| SOUTHERN | FIRES | 163 | | 92 | 112 | 47835 | 1478 | 49680 |
| SOUTHERN | ACRES | 12353 | | 16305 | 17396 | 905397 | 55262 | 1006713 |
| TOTALS | FIRES | 4517 | 3443 | 285 | 514 | 69583 | 11388 | 89730 |
| TOTALS | ACRES | 322142 | 1696421 | 396149 | 123186 | 2414671 | 2237316 | 7189885 |

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|-----------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|
| ALASKA | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| ALASKA | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHWEST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHWEST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| CA-NORTH | FIRES | | | | | | 8 | 8 |
| CA-NORTH | ACRES | | | | | | 57 | 57 |
| CA-SOUTH | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| CA-SOUTH | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHERN | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| NORTHERN | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-EAST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-EAST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-WEST | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| GB-WEST | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |

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|-----------|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|--|----|
| SOUTHWEST | FIRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| SOUTHWEST | ACRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| ROCKY MTN | FIRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| ROCKY MTN | ACRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| EASTERN | FIRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| EASTERN | ACRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| SOUTHERN | FIRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| SOUTHERN | ACRES | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | | 8 |
| TOTAL | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57 | | 57 |

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 | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| CA-SOUTH | | | | | | | | | | |
| NORTHERN | | | | | | | | | | |
| GB-EAST | | | | | | | | | | |
| GB-WEST | | | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTHWEST | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| ROCKY MTN | | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTERN | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| SOUTHERN | 78 | 16 | 18 | 50 | 11 | 6 | | | 389 | 213 |
| TOTAL | 79 | 16 | 18 | 50 | 11 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 391 | 213 |

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