

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2001 - 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in the Southern Area and light elsewhere. Five new large fires were reported in Florida and one each in Montana and Minnesota. One large fire was contained in Nevada and one in Virginia. Persistent high pressure will continue in Florida keeping the area dry and partly cloudy. High pressure will move into Montana from the west bring breezy to very windy conditions to the area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Connecticut, Florida, Nevada and Texas.

NORTHERN ROCKIES LARGE FIRES:

TWIN COULEE, Miles City Field Office, BLM. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is 30 miles north of Ryegate, MT. The fire is active on all sides with slopovers and spot fires occurring due to high winds. One residential structure remains evacuated; two structures are threatened.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
TWIN COULEE	MT	MCD	1500	10	UNK	191	7	7	1	0	NR

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

LOPEZ, Everglades National Park. The fire is burning in moderate to heavy fuels one mile west of the Homestead airport. Crews continue to monitor fire perimeter for spotting. Burnout operations were successful and another burnout operation is planned for today weather permitting.

MALLORY SWAMP, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in a remote area. Spotting is occurring due to winds which is impeding containment efforts.

HURST HAMMOCK, Florida Division of Forestry. Fire size continues to grow rapidly. Swampy areas and low humidity are hampering containment efforts.

GOLF COURSE, Florida Division of Forestry. Containment problems include winds and spotting. Residents in the area are threatened.

SEAGROVE, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Walton County, FL. The fire jumped Highway 98 and residences have been evacuated. Winds are causing containment problems.

OAK, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is eight miles south of

Inverness, FL. Better mapping indicates a reduction in acres. The fire continues to challenge crews with spotting and minor breakouts.

VICTOR ROAD, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in a swampy area and is currently threatening a subdivision and a county prison.

CRAWFORD ROAD, Florida Division of Forestry. No new information received.

GREATER GROVES, Florida Division of Forestry. This human-caused fire is in Lake County, Florida. No new information received. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

MILLIGAN CREEK, Eglin Air Force Base. This fire is currently threatening wildlife habitat. No other information reported.

A-78, Eglin Air Force Base. This fire is in Okaloosa County, FL and was mission-caused. Monitoring of this fire continues. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
LOPEZ	FL	EVP	8533	95	UNK	63	5	3	3	0	658K
MALLORY SWAMP	FL	FLS	850	90	UNK	26	0	1	1	0	NR
HURST HAMMOCK	FL	FLS	800	25	UNK	69	1	4	3	0	NR
GOLF COURSE	FL	FLS	500	50	UNK	16	0	0	2	0	NR
SEAGROVE	FL	FLS	640	50	UNK	9	0	0	0	0	NR
OAK	FL	FLS	360	80	5/18	18	0	6	0	0	NR
VICTOR ROAD	FL	FLS	100	0	UNK	11	0	2	0	0	NR
CRAWFORD ROAD	FL	FLS	400	0	UNK	14	0	0	1	0	NR
GREATER GROVES	FL	FLS	250	80	UNK	17	0	6	0	0	NR
MILLIGAN CREEK	FL	EAQ	250	75	UNK	7	1	1	0	0	NR
A-78	FL	EAQ	979	90	UNK	10	0	3	1	0	NR
HEMATITE COMPLE	VA	VAF	325	100	---	52	2	0	0	0	NR

VAF = George Washington and Jefferson National Forest

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

KARLSTAD, Minnesota State Forestry. This fire is burning in grass two miles northeast of Karlstad, MN.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTAL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOSS	\$\$\$ C-T-D
KARLSTAD	MN	MNS	1200	95	UNK	9	0	0	3	0	NR

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT	ST	UNIT	SIZE	%	EST	TOTAL	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC	\$\$\$
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NAME				CTN	CTN	PERS				LOSS	C-T-D
SIEGEL	NV	CCD	800	100	---	182	8	9	0	0	NR

CCD = Carson City Field Office

OUTLOOK:

*** A RED FLAG WARNING HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE PANHANDLE OF FLORIDA FOR LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY IN THE AFTERNOON ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE MAJORITY OF FLORIDA AND SOUTHEAST GEORGIA FOR LOW RELATIVE HUMIDITY IN THE AFTERNOON ***

*** A FIRE WEATHER WATCH HAS BEEN POSTED IN THE MAJORITY OF CENTRAL, SOUTH CENTRAL AND SOUTHEAST MONTANA, NORTHWEST SOUTH DAKOTA AND THE BIG HORN MOUNTAINS OF WYOMING FOR STRONG GUSTY NORTHWEST WINDS ***

Persistent high pressure will keep Florida dry and partly cloudy with light winds. High temperatures will be 85 to 95, with minimum relative humidity at 35 to 50 percent. Winds will be south to west at 5 to 15 mph.

High pressure will move into Montana from the west, bringing breezy to very windy conditions. High temperatures will be in the 50's and 60's over the mountains, and 60's and 70's in the valleys. Minimum relative humidity will lower to 20 to 35 percent. Winds will be from the west to northwest at 15 to 25 mph west of the Rocky Mountains, and from 30 to 50 mph and gusty east of the Rocky Mountains.

High pressure will begin to weaken allowing a dry westerly flow to spread across Arizona and New Mexico bringing breezy conditions. Lingering moisture over the area will also bring a slight threat of mountain thunderstorms. High temperatures will be in the 70's and 80's in the mountains, and in the 90's to around 105 in the deserts. Minimum relative humidity will range from 8 to 18 percent in the deserts and 15 to 30 percent elsewhere. Winds will be west at 10 to 20 mph in the afternoon.

Weak high pressure will remain over New York and New Jersey as low pressure drifts off the coast bringing partly cloudy skies with a chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms along the coast. Winds will shift to more onshore helping to bring higher relative humidity. High temperatures will be in the 60's with minimum relative humidity ranging from 40 to 60 percent. Winds will be easterly at 5 to 15 mph.

High pressure will begin to build into Nevada from the west allowing a drying trend to take place over the north and western parts of the state. High temperature will be in the 60's and 70's across the north and west. Minimum relative humidity will range from 15 to 25 percent. Winds will be west from 10 to 20 mph.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES					6		6
ALASKA	ACRES					1		1
NORTHWEST	FIRES					1		1
NORTHWEST	ACRES					1		1
CA-NORTH	FIRES					14	1	15
CA-NORTH	ACRES					7	0	7
CA-SOUTH	FIRES						1	1
CA-SOUTH	ACRES						1	1
NORTHERN	FIRES		1					1
NORTHERN	ACRES		1500					1500
GB-EAST	FIRES		0		1			1
GB-EAST	ACRES		38		0			38
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	11	2				9	22
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	9	0				3	12
ROCKY MTN	FIRES						1	1
ROCKY MTN	ACRES						0	0
EASTERN	FIRES	3				8		11
EASTERN	ACRES	9				1243		1252
SOUTHERN	FIRES				0	284	2	286
SOUTHERN	ACRES				503	2605	72	3180
TOTAL	FIRES	14	3	0	1	313	14	345
TOTAL	ACRES	18	1538	0	503	3857	76	5992

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES			1		67		68
ALASKA	ACRES			0		289		289
NORTHWEST	FIRES	39	14	1		11	31	96
NORTHWEST	ACRES	797	106	5		33	140	1081
CA-NORTH	FIRES	1	1	1		383	60	446
CA-NORTH	ACRES	5	1	0		544	2791	3341
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		3	8		187	58	256
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		0	85		2313	8420	10818
NORTHERN	FIRE	329	1	8		3	4	345
NORTHERN	ACRES	4744	1500	272		1659	22	8197
GB-EAST	FIRES	6	30		1	6	9	52
GB-EAST	ACRES	291	204		0	14	46	555
GB-WEST	FIRES	3	16			7	1	27
GB-WEST	ACRES	6	1110			201	0	1317
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	164	19	1	6	145	195	530
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	1740	181	360	547	6563	6608	15999
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	24	14	14		80	28	160
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	589	12	237		3682	93	4613
EASTERN	FIRES	309		5	33	7153	288	7788
EASTERN	ACRES	14845		13	359	32355	5106	52678
SOUTHERN	FIRES	26		31	26	19801	561	20445
SOUTHERN	ACRES	4404		3969	11261	408021	14566	442221

TOTALS	FIRES	901	98	70	66	27843	1235	30213
TOTALS	ACRES	27421	3114	4941	12167	455674	37792	541109

FIVE YEAR AVERAGE FIRES	34,084
FIVE YEAR AVERAGE ACRES	738,187

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							0
CA-NORTH	ACRES							0
CA-SOUTH	FIRES							0
CA-SOUTH	ACRES							0
NORTHERN	FIRES							0
NORTHERN	ACRES							0
GB-EAST	FIRES						0	0
GB-EAST	ACRES						200	200
GB-WEST	FIRES							0
GB-WEST	ACRES							0
SOUTHWEST	FIRES						1	1
SOUTHWEST	ACRES						40	40
ROCKY MTN	FIRES						0	0
ROCKY MTN	ACRES						205	205
EASTERN	FIRES			5		22		27
EASTERN	ACRES			188		3791		3979
SOUTHERN	FIRES						7	7
SOUTHERN	ACRES						4492	4492
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	5	0	22	8	35
TOTAL	ACRES	0	0	188	0	3791	4937	8916

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
ALASKA	FIRES							0
ALASKA	ACRES							0
NORTHWEST	FIRES	8	54	9			200	271
NORTHWEST	ACRES	1555	4634	7174			32991	46354
CA-NORTH	FIRES	19	6	6			37	68
CA-NORTH	ACRES	258	100	3509			9446	13313
CA-SOUTH	FIRES		2				27	29
CA-SOUTH	ACRES		14				1794	1808
NORTHERN	FIRES		4	39		26	7	76
NORTHERN	ACRES		1240	5565		2648	1833	11286

GB-EAST	FIRES		1	4		8	20	33
GB-EAST	ACRES		35	1890		1490	4808	8223
GB-WEST	FIRES		4				2	6
GB-WEST	ACRES		604				182	786
SOUTHWEST	FIRES	9	9	7			133	158
SOUTHWEST	ACRES	2127	6165	1202			25924	35418
ROCKY MTN	FIRES	3	10	60		2	29	104
ROCKY MTN	ACRES	700	3276	10552		762	16421	31711
EASTERN	FIRES	10		62	9	300	116	497
EASTERN	ACRES	8641		17371	1284	39691	15395	82382
SOUTHERN	FIRES	12		156	5	143	773	1089
SOUTHERN	ACRES	1408		49111	1194	85681	626256	763650
TOTAL	FIRES	61	90	343	14	479	1344	2331
TOTAL	ACRES	14689	16068	96374	2478	130272	735050	994931

WILDLAND FIRE USE (WFU) FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

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							0
EASTERN	ACRES							0
SOUTHERN	FIRES							0
SOUTHERN	ACRES							0
USA TOTALS	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA TOTALS	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

Provinces	Fires	Hectares	Fires	Hectares
	Last Week	Last Week	Year-to-date	Year-to-date

BRITISH COLUMBIA	7	45	223	609
YUKON TERRITORY	1	0	7	3
ALBERTA	7	502	216	4507
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	0	0
SASKATCHEWAN	9	106	225	14564
MANITOBA	1	2	89	3443
ONTARIO	6	18	113	538
QUEBEC	5	0	293	836
NEWFOUNDLAND	0	0	11	7
NEW BRUNSWICK	2	1	168	413
NOVA SCOTIA	1	1	89	118
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	0	0
NATIONAL PARKS	2	11	8	84
TOTALS	41	686	1442	25122

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	4		14						44	
CA-NORTH	4	3	12	2		2			72	21
CA-SOUTH	1									
NORTHERN	12		3	4		1			13	7
GB-EAST			4							1
GB-WEST	7	1	9						10	8
SOUTHWEST	1									
ROCKY MTN			7							
EASTERN	1					3			2	
SOUTHERN	14	6	8	25	8	8		1	85	74
TOTAL	44	10	57	31	8	14	0	1	226	111

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