

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT**  
**TUESDAY MAY 13, 2003 - 0530 MDT**  
**NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally, with 60 new fires reported yesterday. Two large fires were reported, one each in the Southwest Area and the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Colorado, Minnesota, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas.

COLUMBIA RESPONSE, Federal Emergency Management Agency. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) is assigned. This incident is near Modena, Utah. Crews have completed search operations in the 1,161 acre area.

**SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:**

A BAR, Coronado National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kvale) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles north of Sierra Vista, AZ. Minimal fire behavior was observed in grass and brush. Crews are constructing direct attack fireline with support from aerial resources.

WALKER, Lincoln National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. This fire 15 miles east of Cloudcroft, NM is burning in juniper, ponderosa and pinyon pine. Crews continue to hold and improve existing control lines, and are beginning mopup operations. The rehabilitation of dozer lines is nearly complete.

BOILER, Gila National Forest. This lightning caused Wildland Fire Use fire is ten miles northwest of Poverty Creek, NM and is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. Active fire behavior was observed in the north and west portions of the fire with backing and occasional individual tree torching observed. No new information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
A BAR	AZ	CNF	457	35	UNK	221	7	8	2	0	65K
WALKER	NM	LNF	3,434	85	5/13	379	13	10	1	19	496K
BOILER	NM	GNF	19,525	0	UNK	51	2	4	0	0	30K

**SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:**

BERNARD, Big Branch March National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is two miles south of Lacombe, LA. Low to moderate fire behavior was observed in marsh grasses and pine. Crews completed burn out operations on the north flank and are mopping up. Structure protection is in place for twenty residences.

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BERNARD	LA	BBR	157	50	5/13	UNK	7	2	1	0	4K

## OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** A broad ridge of high pressure covers the country except for frontal systems in the Northern Rockies/Northern Plains, the Oklahoma area and the Northeast. Gusty winds and low humidity will prevail over the Carolinas. Low pressure over Alaska will keep cool and showery weather over the state.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>SOUTHWEST</b>  Partly sunny, slight chance of a thunderstorm W. Texas.	60s and 70s mountains and north, 80s to mid 90s lower elevations and south.	5-20% AZ & NM, 20-30% W. Texas.	SW to W at 5-20 mph AZ, and western ¾ NM. SW to SE at 10-20 mph far eastern NM and Texas.
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA</b>  Partly cloudy	60-75 Mountains 72-82 Valleys 80-95 Deserts	10-20% Mountains 15-25% Valleys 10-20% Deserts	SW 8 to 15 mph



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## OPERATIONAL BRIEFINGS

Operational briefings are critical to safe fire operations. To ensure a consistent and effective briefing, a standardized briefing checklist should always be used. The following checklist is printed on the cover of the NWCG Incident Response Pocket Guide:

Situation:

- Fire name, location, map orientation, other incidents in the area
- Terrain influences
- Fuel type and conditions
- Fire weather (previous, current, and expected)
- Fire behavior (previous, current, and expected)

Mission/Execution:

- Command (Incident Commander/immediate supervisor)
- Commander's intent
- Specific tactical assignments
- Contingency plans

Communications:

- Communication Plan (tactical, command, air/ground frequencies, cell phone numbers, etc.)
- Medivac Plan

Service/Support:

- Other resources that may be working adjacent to you and those available to order
- Aviation operations
- Logistics (e.g., transportation, supplies, equipment)

Risk Management:

- Identify known hazards and risks
- Identify control measures to eliminate hazards and reduce risk
- Identify trigger points for disengagement or reevaluation of operational plan

Questions or Concerns

**FIRE AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRE					9		9
	ACRES					4		4
Northwest	FIRE							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRE							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRE							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRE	6				3	2	11
	ACRES	10				1	2	13
Eastern Great Basin	FIRE							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRE							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRE					2	2	4
	ACRES					2	109	111
Rocky Mountain	FIRE		7				1	8
	ACRES		395				0	395
Eastern Area	FIRE	1				4		5
	ACRES	3				4		7
Southern Area	FIRE			1		22		23
	ACRES			157		203		360
TOTAL	FIRE	7	0	8	0	40	5	60
	ACRES	13	0	552	0	214	111	890

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2			2	138		142
	ACRES	20			672	437		1,129
Northwest	FIRES	4	1	1		5	11	22
	ACRES	1	0	1		1	1	4
Northern California	FIRES				4	111	16	131
	ACRES				2,210	23	11	2,244
Southern California	FIRES	1	6	1	1	261	56	326
	ACRES	0	2	0	0	30	100	132
Northern Rockies	FIRES	406	1	13		69	19	508
	ACRES	2,557	0	690		16,321	1,372	20,940
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11		1	17	3	32
	ACRES		20		0	314	0	334
Western Great Basin	FIRES		12			5		17
	ACRES		14			17		31
Southwest	FIRES	89	30	12	1	240	105	477
	ACRES	85	2,810	1,288	1	5,542	758	10,484
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	10	11	34	1	43	17	116
	ACRES	123	2	2,060	200	233	462	3,080
Eastern Area	FIRES	776		77	16	6,235	302	7,406
	ACRES	51,378		4,006	685	97,829	5,219	159,117
Southern Area	FIRES	90		8	11	9,005	274	9,388
	ACRES	20,250		914	756	134,108	7,975	164,003
TOTAL	FIRES	1,378	72	146	37	16,129	803	18,565
	ACRES	74,414	2,848	8,959	4,524	254,855	15,898	361,498

<b>Eight Year Average Fires</b>	<b>31,187</b>
<b>Eight Year Average Acres</b>	<b>638,769</b>

**\*\*\*Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments\*\*\***

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1					0	1
	ACRES	129					58	187
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			1			10	11
	ACRES			148			857	1,005
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1	1				1	3
	ACRES	500	257				70	827
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			23				23
	ACRES			1,211				1,211
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		6		8		15
	ACRES	70		3,321		5,052		8,443
Southern Area	FIRES			3			1	4
	ACRES			784			1,225	2,009
TOTAL	FIRES	3	1	33	0	8	12	57
	ACRES	699	257	5,464	0	5,052	2,210	13,682

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	24	73	146	1		66	310
	ACRES	2,178	8,750	4,675	7		3,238	18,848
Northern California	FIRES	2	8	93	13		78	194
	ACRES	31	128	15,369	700		4,049	20,277
Southern California	FIRES		2	2	2		74	80
	ACRES		27	99	12		8,983	9,121
Northern Rockies	FIRES	9	9	35	3	17	130	203
	ACRES	487	3,788	5,765	510	766	8,751	20,067
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	11	3		5	14	34
	ACRES	18	1,232	300		130	2,644	4,324
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		100				230	330
Southwest	FIRES	5	36	4	4		207	256
	ACRES	985	11,654	816	4,877		25,166	43,498
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	26	11	64	6	8	67	182
	ACRES	1,718	1,160	10,053	446	113	4,162	17,652
Eastern Area	FIRES	25		217	15	326	158	741
	ACRES	10,570		46,440	1,796	52,900	23,628	135,334
Southern Area	FIRES	50		235	36	11,445	1,071	12,837
	ACRES	8,979		82,723	56,497	705,160	828,718	1,682,077
TOTAL	FIRES	142	151	799	80	11,801	1,866	14,839
	ACRES	24,966	26,839	166,240	64,845	759,069	909,569	1,951,528

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**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
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES						19,525	19,525
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	19,525	19,525

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	27	196	136	845
Yukon Territory	2	0	6	11
Alberta	10	22	80	189
Northwest Territory	0	0	0	0
Saskatchewan	4	287	72	593
Manitoba	6	54	214	13,717
Ontario	3	16	204	939
Quebec	3	5	113	223
Newfoundland	0	0	7	18
New Brunswick	0	12	47	51
Nova Scotia	0	0	79	194
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	0	0
Total	55	592	958	16,780

**RESOURCES 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	1		4						7	
Northern California										
Southern California									23	310
Northern Rockies			1							
Eastern Great Basin	3		1			1		18	4	
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	22	1	16	9	3				82	28
Rocky Mountain			1						1	
Eastern Area	1								9	
Southern Area	5	2	15		1	1			1	
Total	32	3	38	9	4	2	0	0	141	342

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