

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2003 0530 MST**  
**NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally, with 12 new fires reported. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona. This will be the last daily situation report for the winter. The report will be posted on Friday mornings at 1000 MST through the winter unless significant activity occurs.

**OUTLOOK:**

**Weather Discussion:** Low pressure off the California Coast will keep weather conditions slightly cooler than normal with good relative humidity values in most places. However, some lower humidity values will still be found over far southern California. Scattered showers with snow at higher elevations is possible today over the Pacific Northwest, Utah and western Colorado.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>Southern California</b> Partly cloudy with a chance of showers.	55 to 70 coastal areas. 40 to 55 mountains. 55 to 70 valleys. 50 to 65 upper desert. 65 to 75 low desert.	20 to 40% desert. 40 to 60% mountains. 35 to 55% valleys. 45 to 65% coast.	Southwest to northwest 8 to 15 mph.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

## ***THUNDERSTORM SAFETY***

Thunderstorms cause significant hazards for wildland firefighters, including downbursts that can cause extreme fire behavior and lightning. When thunderstorm development is likely, lookouts should be posted and aware of signs of a developing storm. A sudden reversal in wind direction, a noticeable rise in wind speed, and a sharp drop in temperature may note the mature stage of a storm. Heavy rain, hail and lightning occur only in the mature stage of a thunderstorm. During a storm, use the following guidelines:

- Do not lie down.
  - The best position is sitting on the pack or crouching with feet close together.
  - Avoid sitting directly on the ground, if possible; but, if necessary, keep feet and butt close together.
  - Avoid grouping together. Keep a minimum of 15 feet between people when possible.
  - Removing caulk boots will not provide safety if stocking covered or bare feet are then in contact with the ground--don't bother!
- "Stay out of dry creek beds" is correct for flash floods, but has nothing to do with lightning.
- Handheld radios (with short rubber antennas) or cell phones are safe to use. Communication is vital to crew safety. Do not use land line radios or radios with elevated antennas.
- Wide, open spaces are better than trees or clumps of trees in the vicinity. Ridge tops, etc., should be avoided.
- If you feel the hair on your arms or head "stand up," there is a high probability of a strike in the vicinity. Crouch or sit on a pack.
- Put down all tools.
- Take shelter in vehicles if possible.

# FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

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					10		10
	ACRES					2		2
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	10	10
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	11	1	12
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	10	12

# FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	15	22	11	402	13	465
	ACRES	23	40,821	266,855	3,980	247,925	2	559,606
Northwest	FIRES	306	250	16	50	1,928	1,304	3,854
	ACRES	24,278	18,153	17	1,170	50,620	290,665	384,903
Northern California	FIRES	184	72	17	21	3,122	1,277	4,693
	ACRES	255	12,633	603	6,879	82,654	38,446	141,470
Southern California	FIRES	69	140	11	76	2,974	863	4,133
	ACRES	1,656	42,055	374	1,828	269,613	262,119	577,645
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,166	71	35	86	996	1,539	3,893
	ACRES	90,652	69,435	23,356	166,679	169,445	366,062	885,629
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	59	847	7	46	907	1,071	2,937
	ACRES	19,424	131,580	1,244	2,733	56,354	143,458	354,793
Western Great Basin	FIRES	8	457	1	11	122	177	776
	ACRES	2	11,537	79	6	1,982	3,284	16,890
Southwest	FIRES	958	193	5	69	905	2,138	4,268
	ACRES	35,712	5,917	284	11,834	16,210	203,458	273,415
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	185	803	40	48	4,244	760	6,080
	ACRES	20,214	17,477	1,964	783	74,923	58,638	173,999
Eastern Area	FIRES	962		114	37	10,384	521	12,018
	ACRES	53,155		8,195	708	116,706	5,805	184,569
Southern Area	FIRES	158		46	16	13,897	403	14,520
	ACRES	21,884		12,130	1,839	217,759	9,421	263,033
TOTAL	FIRES	4,057	2,848	314	471	39,881	10,066	57,637
	ACRES	267,255	349,608	315,101	198,439	1,304,191	1,381,358	3,815,952

<b>Nine Year Average Fires</b>	<b>81,805</b>
<b>Nine Year Average Acres</b>	<b>4,944,647</b>

\*\*\*Averages are computed from data reported to NICC during the second reporting period in November\*\*\*

and

\*\*\*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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						4	4
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			231				231
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	231	0	0	5	236

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	44	105	34	3		479	665
	ACRES	7,521	28,222	6,432	123		45,870	88,168
Northern California	FIRES	14	7	112	21		157	311
	ACRES	152	268	21,764	2,758		11,205	36,147
Southern California	FIRES		2	7	9		104	122
	ACRES		27	773	3,335		14,288	18,423
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	10	96	4	125	475	722
	ACRES	502	6,972	15,325	760	4,551	30,787	58,897
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	34	8		22	70	135
	ACRES	18	33,462	410		3,568	22,826	60,284
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7		3		1	11
	ACRES		1,120		2,084		230	3,434
Southwest	FIRES	25	37	19	9	3	353	446
	ACRES	4,974	32,706	39,373	8,183	12	59,274	144,522
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	31	34	101	9	19	69	263
	ACRES	1,847	28,623	13,820	9,592	2,215	21,602	77,699
Eastern Area	FIRES	26		377	16	525	233	1,177
	ACRES	10,640		68,556	1,823	85,311	28,108	194,438
Southern Area	FIRES	54		284	105	16,007	1,286	17,736
	ACRES	19,404		98,359	85,021	827,577	955,625	1,985,986
TOTAL	FIRES	207	236	1,038	179	16,707	3,227	21,594
	ACRES	45,058	131,400	264,812	113,679	924,789	1,189,815	2,669,553

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

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			42,800				42,800
Northwest	FIRES				9		3	12
	ACRES				3,544		251	3,795
Northern California	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						2	2
Southern California	FIRES	2			52		55	109
	ACRES	0			9,412		24,808	34,220
Northern Rockies	FIRES	8			3		74	85
	ACRES	42			602		56,854	57,498
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				7		33	40
	ACRES				448		15,835	16,283
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		2					2
Southwest	FIRES				10		19	29
	ACRES				3,555		159,608	163,163
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		25		2		3	30
	ACRES		1,646		0		1,869	3,515
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				10			10
	ACRES				2,715			2,715
TOTAL	FIRES	10	31	1	93	0	192	327
	ACRES	42	1,648	42,800	20,276	0	259,227	323,993

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### 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										
Northern California										
Southern California	1		2		4		1		5	1
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	1	0	2	0	4	0	1	0	5	1

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