

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2004 1000 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally, with 170 new fires reported for the week. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona and California.

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: In the Southern Area, a frontal system will bring rain to much of the area today through Sunday. Drying is expected early next week before another system spreads more rain to the Southeast Wednesday and Thursday. In the Southwest Area, the storm which brought snow to New Mexico will be exiting the area today. The next system will move across the area Sunday and Monday. Dry weather Tuesday and Wednesday will give way to another storm system around Thursday.

Red Flag Warning: For southern California mountains and valleys below canyons and passes for strong northeast winds and low humidity.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Mostly sunny.	55 to 70 coastal areas. 40 to 55 mountains. 55 to 70 valleys. 45 to 60 upper deserts. 60 to 75 low deserts.	8 to 15%.	Northeast to east wind 15 to 30 mph with higher gusts over southern California mountains and below canyons and passes. Otherwise northeast to southeast 5 to 15 mph.



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Scenarios:

[Scenario 1](#)

NO COMMUNICATION LINK WITH CREW MEMBERS, SUPERVISORS & ADJOINING FORCES

Watchout Situation #7 is a danger that must be mitigated by maintaining good communications while working on fires. Firefighters must constantly ask themselves the following questions as situations change on the fireline:

• Can communications be established?

- Talk about how communications are set up on fires.
- Review situations where communications were a problem and what was done to fix the problem.

• Is the communication triangle complete?.

- Review the communication triangle and where it comes up in the "10 Standard Fire Orders" and the "18 Watchout Situations."
- Discuss ways that firefighters can maintain the communication triangle on the fireline.

• Reduce the risks

- If the situation is complex, wait until communications are in place.
- Talk about the fires where crews had to leave the line, didn't go out on the line, or something negative happened because communications were inadequate. Discuss what was done to establish communications.

FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

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					1		1
	ACRES						0	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						1	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	2		1		163	2	168
	ACRES	55		1		1,001	57	1,114
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	1	0	163	4	170
	ACRES	55	0	1	0	1,001	58	1,115

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				68	6	74	
	ACRES				9	5	14	
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1	2	3	6	12	
	ACRES		1	1	2	6	10	
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			1	2	2	5	
	ACRES			0	3,942	2	3,944	
Eastern Area	FIRES				23	2	25	
	ACRES				2,334	28	2,362	
Southern Area	FIRES	38		7	2,829	31	2,905	
	ACRES	704		3,379	15,098	544	19,725	
TOTAL	FIRES	38	1	7	2,925	47	3,021	
	ACRES	704	1	3,379	1	21,385	585	26,055

Eight Year Average Fires	2,412
Eight Year Average Acres	40,629

Averages are computed from data reported to NICC during the second reporting period in February

and

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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs		2	1			3	6
	ACRES		675	10			10	695
Northern California	FIREs			1	1		3	5
	ACRES			1,154	10		19	1,183
Southern California	FIREs		0	1	0		13	14
	ACRES		17	0	9		290	316
Northern Rockies	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs						12	12
	ACRES						82	82
Rocky Mountain	FIREs		1			0	0	1
	ACRES		9			9	8	26
Eastern Area	FIREs						1	1
	ACRES						205	205
Southern Area	FIREs			5	2	1	27	35
	ACRES			1,136	1,004	50	22,215	24,405
TOTAL	FIREs	0	3	8	3	1	59	74
	ACRES	0	701	2,300	1,023	59	22,829	26,912

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs		17	1			21	39
	ACRES		956	10			271	1,237
Northern California	FIREs		0	2	3		23	28
	ACRES		1	1,954	11		207	2,173
Southern California	FIREs		2	1	1		30	34
	ACRES		23	0	10		2,874	2,907
Northern Rockies	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs	4	4		1		56	65
	ACRES	3,075	1,190		12		1,133	5,410
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	3	3	1	3	2	11	23
	ACRES	159	81	35	107	49	1,038	1,469
Eastern Area	FIREs					2	10	12
	ACRES					1,000	2,499	3,499
Southern Area	FIREs	6		36	10	53	212	317
	ACRES	1,425		13,835	13,915	55,471	200,250	284,896
TOTAL	FIREs	13	26	41	18	57	363	518
	ACRES	4,659	2,251	15,834	14,055	56,520	208,272	301,591

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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							0
	ACRES							0
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	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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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										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest			4		1				7	
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area			2			2			4	
Total	0	0	6	0	1	2	0	0	11	0

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