

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 2004 1000 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate in Southern Area and light nationally, with 426 new fires reported for the week.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BULLHEAD	SC	FMF	173	100	---	11	0	2	1	0	3,500

FMF = Francis Marion & Sumter National Forests

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SAVANNA LAKE	MD	MDS	400	100	---	2	0	1	0	0	NR

MDS = Maryland Department of Natural Resources

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: In the Southern Area during the upcoming week, brief periods of cold weather will be punctuated with several successive rain events. Warm air will return as high pressure shifts to the eastern seaboard. By the time the high drifts off the southeast coast, a new area of low pressure will develop in the Southern Plains. This will produce rain early next week. In the Southwest and Southern California, there will be a chance of some very light high elevation precipitation over the weekend across northern Arizona. After that, the area will dry once again with little if any significant rain or snow through the end of next week.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern California Mostly sunny.	60 to 75 coastal areas. 45 to 60 mountains. 60 to 75 valleys. 55 to 65 upper desert. 65 to 75 low desert.	15 to 30%.	Northeast to east 15 to 30 mph with higher gusts over the mountains and below the canyons and passes of Southern California in the morning, otherwise southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.



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TRANSFER OF COMMAND

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents with potential during transfer of command periods (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES—Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

● Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed
- Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.

● Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.

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							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					1	2	3
	ACRES					928	2	930
Eastern Area	FIREs					2		2
	ACRES					650		650
Southern Area	FIREs	2				412	7	421
	ACRES	86				1,639	206	1,931
TOTAL	FIREs	2	0	0	0	415	9	426
	ACRES	86	0	0	0	3,217	208	3,511

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					33		33
	ACRES					8		8
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1	1	3	5
	ACRES				0	0	2	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					928	2	930
Eastern Area	FIRES					17		17
	ACRES					2,429		2,429
Southern Area	FIRES	21				1,086	16	1,123
	ACRES	585				4,158	77	4,820
TOTAL	FIRES	21	0	0	1	1,138	21	1,181
	ACRES	585	0	0	0	7,523	81	8,189

Eight Year Average Fires	699
Eight Year Average Acres	9,868

Averages are computed from data reported to NICC during the first reporting period in January

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		8				4	12
	ACRES		92				130	222
Northern California	FIREs		0	1			0	1
	ACRES		1	800			3	804
Southern California	FIREs				1		1	2
	ACRES				1		1,509	1,510
Northern Rockies	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs						10	10
	ACRES						424	424
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1	0	0			2	3
	ACRES	60	13	35			293	401
Eastern Area	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIREs			10	4	18	47	79
	ACRES			3,712	11,950	9,960	54,126	79,748
TOTAL	FIREs	1	8	11	5	18	64	107
	ACRES	60	106	4,547	11,951	9,960	56,485	83,109

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs		10				16	26
	ACRES		123				198	321
Northern California	FIREs		0	1			0	1
	ACRES		1	800			7	808
Southern California	FIREs				1		10	11
	ACRES				1		2,440	2,441
Northern Rockies	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs		1		1		24	26
	ACRES		40		12		592	644
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1	2	1	3	1	8	16
	ACRES	60	36	35	107	15	672	925
Eastern Area	FIREs					1	9	10
	ACRES					500	2,294	2,794
Southern Area	FIREs			18	5	40	99	162
	ACRES			7,584	12,650	40,871	93,722	154,827
TOTAL	FIREs	1	13	20	10	42	166	252
	ACRES	60	200	8,419	12,770	41,386	99,925	162,760

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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						75	75
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	75	75

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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										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area			2	2						
Southern Area			2		1				1	
Total	0	0	4	2	1	0	0	0	1	0

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