

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
SATURDAY MAY 22, 2004 0800 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 126 new fires reported. One new large fire was reported in the Southwest Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas and Utah.

**SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:**

KP, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kvale) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles south of Alpine, AZ in brush and pine timber. Crews constructed indirect attack fireline and utilized Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics. Burnout operations will be performed along US Highway 191; the highway will be closed to public access for approximately three days following burnout operations.

LOOKOUT, Cibola National Forest. This fire is 70 miles southeast of Albuquerque, NM in grass. One residence has been confirmed lost. No further information was received.

ROSE, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kvale) is assigned. This fire is 40 miles north of Clifton, AZ in chaparral. Unstable atmospheric conditions resulted in active fire behavior. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

PIGEON, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kvale) is assigned. This fire is 30 miles north of Clifton, AZ in Chaparral. This fire is currently being managed in a confinement strategy and was monitored by air and ground.

PEPPIN, Lincoln National Forest. This fire is six miles north of Capitan, NM in timber. Minimal fire behavior with creeping was observed. Control measures have held in high wind conditions.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
KP	AZ	ASF	3,337	0	UNK	492	17	17	3	0	200K
LOOKOUT	NM	CIF	1,500	0	UNK	120	6	0	0	1	NR
ROSE	AZ	ASF	780	80	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	13K
PIGEON	AZ	ASF	5,558	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR
PEPPIN	NM	LNF	332	75	5/22	67	2	2	1	0	22K

## SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

BLOCKS H&J, Everglades National Park. This fire is 15 miles west of Homestead, FL in grass, brush and hardwood timber. Drought conditions, low relative humidity and high temperatures caused active fire behavior with occasional runs. Personnel implemented direct attack Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BLOCKS H&J	FL	EVP	1,450	80	5/31	61	1	6	2	0	100K

## OUTLOOK:

**Fire Weather Watches:** Fire weather watch below 8500 feet in south-central and southeast Colorado for winds, low humidity and dry fuels.

**Weather Discussion:** A reinforcing shot of cool air will move across the Pacific Northwest today, pushing a low pressure system deeper over the Great Basin. Showers and thunderstorms will occur beneath this pool of cool air. However, the southern Great Basin, southern Rocky Mountain and Southwest regions will continue to only see high winds and low relative humidity from this storm system. The wind will also begin to rise across west Texas along with very low humidity. The wettest part of the country will be from the Great Lakes through the mid-Atlantic.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA (Colorado)</b> Partly sunny. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms.	Highs in the 70s.	10% to 20%.	Southwest 12 to 25 mph with higher gusts.
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Areas of morning low clouds and fog to the lower coastal slopes. Otherwise partly cloudy in the afternoon.	60 to 70 coastal areas. 60 to 75 mountains. 70 to 80 valleys. 70 to 80 upper deserts. 80 to 95 lower deserts.	20 to 40% except 8 to 15% lower deserts.	Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.



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

### **RESPONDING TO VEHICLE FIRES**

Suppression of vehicle fires is extremely dangerous and poses many health hazards to firefighters. The following procedures are recommended:

- Secure the scene and provide or request assistance for traffic control.
- Provide for your escape route at the scene.
- Do not use road flares if fuel is leaking from the vehicle or if wildland fuel is nearby.
- Vehicle fires are considered a hazardous materials scene. Suppression action should only be taken if the crew is trained, equipped, and authorized in the use of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatuses (SCBA).
- If taking suppression action on wildland fuels, firefighters should ensure that they are a safe distance from the burning vehicle (100-feet minimum), and avoid contact with vehicle fire smoke or fumes.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					2		2
Northwest	FIRES	2				4	5	11
	ACRES	4				1	3	8
Northern California	FIRES					17	6	23
	ACRES					1	5	6
Southern California	FIRES	0		1	13	2		16
	ACRES	15		1	27	0		43
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	2	4
	ACRES					2	3	5
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		3					3
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	4				3	1	8
	ACRES	35				2	3,780	3,817
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Eastern Area	FIRES					41		41
	ACRES					246		246
Southern Area	FIRES					14		14
	ACRES					43		43
TOTAL	FIRES	6	2	0	1	101	16	126
	ACRES	39	18	0	1	324	3,791	4,173

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs					76	1	77
	ACRES					145	0	145
Northwest	FIREs	45	12	10	5	194	46	312
	ACRES	576	9	14	3	263	202	1,067
Northern California	FIREs	3				484	81	568
	ACRES	0				852	1,252	2,104
Southern California	FIREs	10	13	1	6	867	139	1,036
	ACRES	645	1,297	1	5	29,927	1,368	33,243
Northern Rockies	FIREs	588	14	8		281	100	991
	ACRES	3,863	187	185		8,359	3,285	15,879
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1	41	2	2	19	15	80
	ACRES	2	56	1	29	194	364	646
Western Great Basin	FIREs	2	17		1	15	7	42
	ACRES	1	49		0	9	280	339
Southwest	FIREs	168	23	1	12	205	152	561
	ACRES	694	3,147	0	241	9,159	13,073	26,314
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	145	21	24	2	131	41	364
	ACRES	3,334	62	855	0	19,178	2,794	26,223
Eastern Area	FIREs	488		36	11	4,744	364	5,643
	ACRES	5,093		2,650	91	49,405	5,506	62,745
Southern Area	FIREs	106		35	18	20,401	492	21,052
	ACRES	15,214		4,554	518	223,679	71,493	315,458
TOTAL	FIREs	1,556	141	117	57	27,417	1,438	30,726
	ACRES	29,422	4,807	8,260	887	341,170	99,617	484,163

Ten Year Average Fires	32,667
Ten Year Average Acres	670,455

\*\*\* 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						1
	ACRES	518						518
Northern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						28	28
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES			2		3		5
	ACRES		561		308			869
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1	1	1	3
	ACRES			950		8	0	958
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					18		18
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	2	1	6	3	13
	ACRES	518	0	561	950	334	28	2,391

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					1,672		1,672
Northwest	FIRES	33	74	34	1		217	359
	ACRES	6,271	6,805	3,641	30		55,276	72,023
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	8	15		176	252
	ACRES	251	731	13,575	624		20,870	36,051
Southern California	FIRES		4	6	7		71	88
	ACRES		28	465	230		6,091	6,814
Northern Rockies	FIRES	17	5	64	3	46	305	440
	ACRES	1,307	137	8,957	1,046	3,083	40,915	55,445
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	3	6	21	54	98
	ACRES	149	2,144	547	1,082	1,588	13,554	19,064
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4				4	8
	ACRES		80				71	151
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	6	8		272	313
	ACRES	2,796	4,743	519	1,727		47,740	57,525
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	38	84	16	10	110	300
	ACRES	5,117	11,460	17,183	2,969	3,246	41,078	81,053
Eastern Area	FIRES	21		312	17	588	158	1,096
	ACRES	11,695		40,371	3,701	55,321	26,829	137,917
Southern Area	FIRES	51		129	62	263	1,010	1,515
	ACRES	8,503		56,259	55,941	148,146	920,734	1,189,583
TOTAL	FIRES	193	190	646	135	931	2,377	4,472
	ACRES	36,089	26,128	141,517	67,350	213,056	1,173,158	1,657,298

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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				1			1
	ACRES				0			0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				101			101
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		30					30
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	2	0	0	4
	ACRES	0	30	0	101	0	0	131

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	13	0	272	850
Yukon Territory	0	0	4	6
Alberta	3	1	401	2,146
Northwest Territory	0	0	0	0
Saskatchewan	4	0	63	508
Manitoba	0	0	30	355
Ontario	1	4	67	1,300
Quebec	0	-1	96	103
Newfoundland	2	0	34	224
New Brunswick	3	0	150	292
Nova Scotia	22	1	133	153
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	8	2,436
Total	48	6	1,258	8,372

**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		2								
Northwest				6						6
Northern California	2									
Southern California	1	4	6	20	1					6
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	1									
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	28		14	8	4				76	10
Rocky Mountain	1			2						1
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	1		6		1	1			17	13
Total	34	6	32	30	6	1	0	0	100	29

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