

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY MAY 28, 2004 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 129 new fires reported. Two new large fires were reported in the Southern Area. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Southern and Southwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Florida, Georgia, New Mexico, Nevada, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

PEPPIN, Lincoln National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. This fire is six miles north of Capitan, NM in timber. Hazardous terrain and heavy dead fuel loading continue to be major concerns. Crews prepared for burnout operations.

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, ponderosa pine and mixed conifer timber. Poor access, heavy fuel loading and steep rugged terrain have hampered suppression efforts. Moderate surface fire with isolated group torching and flare-ups was observed. US Highway 191 will remain closed to public access in order to provide for firefighter and public safety.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PEPPIN	NM	LNF	25,500	10	UNK	576	14	25	5	12	1.3M
KP	AZ	ASF	10,056	25	UNK	527	12	21	3	0	2.2M
LOOKOUT	NM	CIF	5,280	100	---	167	2	5	1	5	1.5M

CIF = Cibola National Forest

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

ROAD 1 FIRE, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is 17 miles northwest of Macclenny, FL in pine timber. Hot, dry weather and difficult terrain are impeding containment. Active fire behavior with crowning and long range spotting in excess of one mile was observed.

BLOCKS H&J, Everglades National Park. This fire is 15 miles west of Homestead, FL in grass, brush and hardwood timber. Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics (MIST) continues with good success. High relative humidity is aiding containment efforts. Active surface fire was observed.

BOMBING RANGE 1, National Forests in Florida. This fire is 14 miles north-northwest of Umatilla, FL in brush and pine timber. This fire is within a Naval bombing range; no ground suppression action will be allowed. A confinement strategy is in place and fire activity may continue until significant rainfall occurs. Active surface fire was observed.

CORAPEAKE ROAD, Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hendricks) is assigned. This fire is 18 miles south-southwest of Chesapeake, VA in brush. Overnight precipitation assisted containment efforts and decreased fire activity. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

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ROAD 1	FL	FLS	800	40	5/31	55	0	0	4	0	NR
BLOCKS H&J	FL	EVP	1,450	95	5/31	103	2	4	1	0	223K
BOMBING RANGE 1	FL	FNF	300	50	6/1	17	0	2	2	0	35K
CORAPEAKE ROAD	VA	GDR	273	80	5/28	87	0	11	1	0	251K
FARMDALE ROAD	FL	FLS	280	100	---	4	0	0	0	0	NR

OUTLOOK:

Fire Weather Watch: Northern and western Arizona and northern New Mexico for strong winds and low humidity.

Fire Weather Watch: Portions of southern Colorado for windy conditions, low relative humidity and dry fuels.

Weather Discussion: A strong low pressure system will dive from the Northwest into the Great Basin today. In the Northwest sector of the country, numerous showers and thunderstorms will occur. However, the southern Great Basin and the Southwest will only see very strong wind in combination with lowering humidity as the storm passes. This will result in critical fire weather conditions in these places. Florida will continue to remain hot, dry and breezy with very little in the way of thunderstorms.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
SOUTHWEST AREA Mostly sunny to partly cloudy.	60s and 70s mountains 80s and 90s lower elevations	5 to 20%	South to southwest 10 to 15 mph most areas, although southwest 15 to 30 mph with higher gusts northern and western Arizona into western New Mexico.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Partly sunny and windy. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms over portions of Wyoming, northern Colorado, South Dakota and Nebraska.	75 to 85 lower elevations 55 to 65 mountains	10 to 20% over southern Colorado, 20 to 30% elsewhere	South to southwest 15 to 40 mph.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog to the lower coastal slopes, otherwise partly to mostly cloudy with scattered showers over the northern part of Central California.	60 to 70 coastal areas 60 to 70 mountains 70 to 80 valleys 70 to 80 upper deserts 85 to 95 lower deserts	40 to 60%, except 15 to 30% deserts	Southwest to northwest 15 to 30 mph.



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INITIATE ALL ACTIONS BASED ON CURRENT AND EXPECTED FIRE BEHAVIOR

- Can the resources you are replacing give you a thorough briefing? What information will you want to get from resources you are replacing?
- Can you observe the area or use scouts? What information are the scouts looking for?
- Have escape routes and safety zones been thoroughly scouted? List some ways your crew will scout out an area before you begin working
- Are escape routes and safety zones marked for night use? How do you adjust marking safety zones and escape routes for night use?
- Have potential dangers been located and can they be dealt with? List some dangerous fire behavior you may encounter and how you would deal with it.
- Do you have access to weather and fire behavior forecasts? What is your unit's procedure for obtaining forecasts?
- To reduce risk, initiate the following:
 - Post lookouts.
 - Check communications.
 - Retreat if you have doubts about your escape routes or safety zones or if the situation becomes too complex. Discuss fires where you have adjusted your actions based on current and expected fire behavior.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIREs						3	3
	ACRES						3	3
Northern California	FIREs					11		11
	ACRES					8		8
Southern California	FIREs					13		13
	ACRES					3		3
Northern Rockies	FIREs	2		3				5
	ACRES	1		53				54
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIREs				1	1		2
	ACRES				0	3		3
Southwest	FIREs	2	2			6	4	14
	ACRES	4	20			15	1,029	1,068
Rocky Mountain	FIREs						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Area	FIREs						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Southern Area	FIREs					78	1	79
	ACRES					1,362	3	1,365
TOTAL	FIREs	4	2	3	1	110	9	129
	ACRES	5	20	53	0	1,391	1,037	2,506

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1	1		86	1	89
	ACRES		50	0		172	0	222
Northwest	FIRES	49	12	12	5	229	61	368
	ACRES	577	9	29	3	314	149	1,081
Northern California	FIRES	4				559	103	666
	ACRES	0				1,030	1,279	2,309
Southern California	FIRES	10	18	3	7	950	149	1,137
	ACRES	645	1,315	2	6	31,239	1,382	34,589
Northern Rockies	FIRES	631	14	11		282	101	1,039
	ACRES	3,919	187	238		8,359	3,285	15,988
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	42	2	6	19	19	89
	ACRES	2	94	1	32	194	364	687
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	18		2	16	8	46
	ACRES	1	49		0	12	280	342
Southwest	FIRES	188	27	1	12	225	179	632
	ACRES	709	3,167	0	241	9,180	48,720	62,017
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	146	23	28	2	135	45	379
	ACRES	3,490	53	1,166	0	19,186	2,802	26,697
Eastern Area	FIRES	488		36	17	4,816	365	5,722
	ACRES	5,093		2,650	97	50,559	5,507	63,906
Southern Area	FIRES	107		37	19	20,808	497	21,468
	ACRES	15,219		4,561	918	227,713	71,603	320,014
TOTAL	FIRES	1,626	155	131	70	28,125	1,528	31,635
	ACRES	29,655	4,924	8,647	1,297	347,958	135,371	527,852

Ten Year Average Fires	34,083
Ten Year Average Acres	723,708

*** 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		0					0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		215					215
Northern Rockies	FIRES		2			1		3
	ACRES		250			26		276
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	0			0			0
	ACRES	83			11			94
Eastern Area	FIRES		1		1			2
	ACRES		100		230			330
Southern Area	FIRES		2		11	4		17
	ACRES		751		4,725	941		6,417
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	6	0	12	5	24
	ACRES	0	83	1,316	0	4,966	967	7,332

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,087		2,087
Northwest	FIRES	33	75	34	1		220	363
	ACRES	6,271	6,805	3,641	30		55,289	72,036
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	9	15		181	258
	ACRES	251	731	13,501	624		22,315	37,422
Southern California	FIRES		4	7	7		71	89
	ACRES		28	680	308		6,210	7,226
Northern Rockies	FIRES	18	5	66	3	46	308	446
	ACRES	1,467	137	9,207	1,046	3,083	40,955	55,895
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	3	6	21	55	99
	ACRES	149	2,144	547	1,237	1,588	16,450	22,115
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	108	16	12	110	326
	ACRES	5,117	11,850	19,596	2,969	3,947	45,430	88,909
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		313	18	591	161	1,103
	ACRES	14,454		40,471	3,752	55,620	26,891	141,188
Southern Area	FIRES	51		132	67	314	1,041	1,605
	ACRES	8,503		57,840	58,852	166,662	941,253	1,233,110
TOTAL	FIRES	193	191	678	141	989	2,423	4,615
	ACRES	39,008	26,518	146,002	70,545	232,987	1,202,604	1,717,664

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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					1		1
	ACRES						55	55
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	1	5
	ACRES	0	30	0	101	0	55	186

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	1	0	311	887
Yukon Territory	0	0	4	6
Alberta	5	0	507	2,167
Northwest Territory	0	0	1	3
Saskatchewan	4	0	95	637
Manitoba	0	1	38	357
Ontario	0	0	75	1,305
Quebec	1	3	110	108
Newfoundland	6	0	59	248
New Brunswick	0	0	170	305
Nova Scotia	19	10	134	164
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	8	2,436
Total	36	15	1,512	8,622

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				6						6
Northern California										
Southern California	5		3		3					6
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	1	1	1							
Western Great Basin	2									
Southwest	31		14	40	9				289	113
Rocky Mountain	1		1		1					
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	2		11	10	5	4			72	84
Total	42	1	36	50	18	4	0	0	373	197

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