

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2005 1000 MST  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 956 new fires reported for the week. Three new large fires were reported for the week.

**SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS:**

SONNY GILE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is twelve miles northeast of Sallisaw, OK in timber. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SONNY GILE	OK	OKS	120	88	2/18	5	0	2	0	0	NR
THE CORBETT 3	FL	FLS	450	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	1K
XERISCAPE	FL	FLS	100	100	---	3	0	1	0	0	3K

FLS = Florida Division of Forestry

**OUTLOOK:**

**Weather Discussion:** Dry high pressure will remain over the Southeast through early Sunday. During the first part of next week showers and cloud cover will move over portions of the Carolinas and the northern Appalachians. Most of Florida will be dry through the end of next week. The driest portion of the West will be over the Pacific Northwest with some showers over the Great Basin and Southwest.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<b>Southern California</b> Cloudy with periods of rain and high elevation snow. The snow level will be around 5,000 feet.	35 to 55 mountains. 55 to 65 valleys. 50 to 58 upper deserts. 58 to 65 lower deserts.	60 to 80%.	Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph with higher gusts.



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

### **FIRE NOT SCOUTED AND SIZED UP**

Watchout Situation #1 comes up during initial attack and every time resources arrive at a fire.

● Before taking action on the fire, the following considerations must be addressed:

- Can you personally observe the fire or must you use scouts? Describe ways you can scout and size up a fire.
- Do you know the location of the fire perimeter? Discuss situations in which the fire perimeter may not be obvious. (Spotty fires, etc.)
- Do you know the direction of fire spread? When isn't the direction of fire spread obvious? (Wind shifts, spotty fires, etc.)
- Does the direction of fire spread increase risk? Talk about situations where you may have to approach the head of the fire. (Hiking down from a helispot, approaching from an existing road, switching winds, etc.)
- Do you know the fuels and their condition? What kind of information will you assume from what you already know about fuel types? (Spot fires in fir, extreme fire potential in flashy fuels, etc.)

● Continued from above...

- Do topographic hazards exist? What can you assume from what kind of terrain the fire covers? (Slope, chimneys, aspect, etc.)
- Does enough information exist to establish a plan of attack? When do you have enough information to begin fighting fire? What do you need to know?
- Do other dangers exist? Have you talked about factors specific to the area you are working in? (Hunters in the woods, drought, snag patches, etc.)

● To reduce the risks:

- Post lookouts until the fire is sized up and escape routes and safety zones are established.
- Retreat if the situation is too complex. Review fires where you had to wait until the area in which you were assigned to work was scouted and sized up before you were allowed onto the fireline.

**FIREs AND ACRES LAST WEEK:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						2	2
	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							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Area	FIRES					14	1	15
	ACRES					286	40	326
Southern Area	FIRES	4		5		907	21	937
	ACRES	34		99		7,810	85	8,028
TOTAL	FIRES	5	0	5	0	922	24	956
	ACRES	35	0	99	0	8,096	125	8,355

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs	1					1	2
	ACRES	1					1	2
Northern California	FIREs				15	1	16	
	ACRES				23	0	23	
Southern California	FIREs	2	1			5	8	
	ACRES	0	0			0	0	
Northern Rockies	FIREs		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	2						2
	ACRES	0						0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs	1	2	1	6	5	15	
	ACRES	0	2	1	10	0	13	
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1		3		7	2	13
	ACRES	40		7	303	0	350	
Eastern Area	FIREs				35	6	41	
	ACRES				1,581	103	1,684	
Southern Area	FIREs	21		13	1	3,240	97	3,372
	ACRES	374		511	1	16,754	1,241	18,881
TOTAL	FIREs	24	6	18	2	3,303	117	3,470
	ACRES	415	2	518	2	18,671	1,345	20,953

Eight Year Average Fires	3,312
Eight Year Average Acres	61,493

\*\*\* 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		9	5			2	16
	ACRES		396	98			12	506
Northern California	FIREs			0	0		0	0
	ACRES			255	123		17	395
Southern California	FIREs						5	5
	ACRES						36	36
Northern Rockies	FIREs		1				4	5
	ACRES		500				152	652
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs		0				3	3
	ACRES		40				3	43
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs						1	1
	ACRES						320	320
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	1					0	1
	ACRES	0					211	211
Eastern Area	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIREs	1		45	3	19	70	400
	ACRES	750		4,067	4,514	6,126	65,885	81,342
TOTAL	FIREs	2	10	312	3	19	85	431
	ACRES	750	936	4,420	4,637	6,126	66,636	83,505

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs	1	27	5			13	46
	ACRES	522	4,839	98			621	6,080
Northern California	FIREs			0	1		5	6
	ACRES			455	189		178	822
Southern California	FIREs		2				15	17
	ACRES		52				267	319
Northern Rockies	FIREs		1				4	5
	ACRES		500				152	652
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs		2				4	6
	ACRES		74				23	97
Western Great Basin	FIREs		1					1
	ACRES		1					1
Southwest	FIREs		5		2		43	50
	ACRES		17,058		7		1,986	19,051
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	3	2	6	5	7	31	54
	ACRES	160	31	672	135	1,030	1,081	3,109
Eastern Area	FIREs			15			0	17
	ACRES			1,738			100	105
Southern Area	FIREs	3		307	3	73	315	439
	ACRES	1,390		40,094	4,514	50,271	277,846	374,115
TOTAL	FIREs	7	40	71	11	80	432	641
	ACRES	2,072	22,555	43,057	4,845	51,401	282,259	406,189

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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										7
Northern California										
Southern California				1						
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	0

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