

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2005 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1

CURRENT SITUATION:

Nationally, initial attack activity was light with 134 fires reported. Five new large fires were reported, four in the Eastern Area and one in the Southern Area. Two large fires were contained in the Eastern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Nebraska, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Texas.

EASTERN AREA INCIDENTS/ LARGE FIRES:

COTTONVILLE, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. This fire is 20 miles south of Wisconsin Rapids, WI in brush. Running fire behavior was reported.

MISSISSIPPI MEADOWS, Chippewa National Forest. A type 2 Incident Management Team has been ordered. This fire is 22 miles west of Grand Rapids, MN in grass, brush and timber. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
COTTONVILLE	WI	WIS	1,400	0	---	0	0	0	0	5	NR
MISSISSIPPI MEADOWS	MN	CPF	600	10	5/6	26	0	13	2	0	NR
GILLMAN	MN	MNS	200	100	---	24	0	6	1	4	NR
LONG BR. CABIN CK.	WV	WVS	221	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	.230K

CPF= Chippewa National Forest

WIS = Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/ LARGE FIRES:

2686, Lower Rio Grande Valley National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is in San Isidro, TX in brush. Extreme fire behavior was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
2686	TX	RGR	450	25	UNK	80	0	27	1	0	NR

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: In Alaska, high pressure will continue over the interior with some moisture south of the Alaska Range. In the Southwest, gusty winds are expected in most areas as a storm system begins to push in from the west. These gusty winds will also extend into the southern and central Plains. In the Southeast, high pressure will bring generally dry weather except for some rain along the Atlantic Coast

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern California Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered showers. The snow level will be around 7,000 feet.	40 to 60 mountains. 60 to 70 valleys. 60 to 70 upper deserts. 70 to 80 lower deserts.	50 to 70%.	Southwest to northwest 10 to 20 mph.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

PROPER USE OF TRIGGER POINTS

Accurate situational awareness (SA) requires constant reassessment of conditions (existing or potential) that may impact the safety and effectiveness of firefighters. Keeping an eye out for the 18-Watchout Situations and establishing operational / environmental limits ("trigger points") ahead of time can help to focus SA, prompt reassessment, and help you re-evaluate the risk of current actions. The following items are things to consider in your planning and discussion. Remember, trigger points are NOT decision makers, but serve as predetermined cues to prompt you to re-evaluate the situation and associated risks, and help you to determine and implement the proper course of action.

- Preplan! Don't wait until you're in the wrong place at the wrong time---with no time.
- Trigger points should be based on measurable factors such as:

- RH
- Winds
- Fire Behavior
- Topographical boundaries
- Time constraints/Time of day
- Time/distance to safety zones
- Loss of support resources (airtankers, helicopters, etc.)
- Other operational considerations (e.g., firefighter fatigue, loss of lookouts or communication, etc.)

- As you approach predetermined trigger points, go through the Risk Management Process to help you decide if a change in tactics is appropriate. (See the Incident Response Pocket Guide)

- Gather information to assure good Situational Awareness
- Assess hazards to anticipate serious risks
- Establish hazard controls to mitigate serious risks
- Make decisions based on your ability to mitigate those serious risks
- Evaluate effectiveness of current actions

- Command/Leadership responsibilities when changing tactics
 - Communicate the changes to your subordinates, as well as to adjacent forces and up the chain of command
 - Account for all your people
 - Make sure everyone knows and follows the new plan

FIREs AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs					4		4
	ACRES					9		9
Northwest	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
Northern California	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIREs		1			4		5
	ACRES		10			2		12
Northern Rockies	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs	2	1				3	6
	ACRES	30	1				1	32
Rocky Mountain	FIREs					1		1
	ACRES					10		10
Eastern Area	FIREs	15			1	66	3	85
	ACRES	7			3	524	10	544
Southern Area	FIREs			2		24	5	31
	ACRES			2,948		377	54	3,379
TOTAL	FIREs	17	2	2	1	95	17	134
	ACRES	37	11	2,948	3	920	68	3,987

FIREs AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs			1		57	1	59
	ACRES			0		5,383	11	5,394
Northwest	FIREs	24	12	5		54	28	123
	ACRES	139	11	8		133	30	321
Northern California	FIREs					117	26	143
	ACRES					36	25	61
Southern California	FIREs		3	2			21	26
	ACRES		10	0			5	15
Northern Rockies	FIREs	205	1	14		74	18	312
	ACRES	3,951	136	480		1,244	1,291	7,102
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs		8			4	2	14
	ACRES		1			5	0	6
Western Great Basin	FIREs		8	2	2	2		14
	ACRES		13	70	6	0		89
Southwest	FIREs	88	25	4	3	140	75	335
	ACRES	5,006	1,204	1,501	8	16,197	658	24,574
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	42	7	13	2	67	17	148
	ACRES	2,590	11	148	3	14,793	1,614	19,159
Eastern Area	FIREs	449		25	19	5,221	346	6,060
	ACRES	6,969		1,403	687	40,176	6,851	56,086
Southern Area	FIREs	154		62	6	11,399	364	11,985
	ACRES	25,660		4,425	114	128,180	9,780	168,159
TOTAL	FIREs	962	64	128	32	17,135	898	19,219
	ACRES	44,315	1,386	8,035	818	206,147	20,265	280,966

Ten Year Average Fires	27,888
Ten Year Average Acres	550,839

***** 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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES	1	1				0	2
	ACRES	500	20				60	580
Northern Rockies	FIRES			2			6	8
	ACRES			215			1,150	1,365
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						65	65
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1	1			1	3
	ACRES		40	40			85	165
Eastern Area	FIRES	1				43	5	49
	ACRES	96				3,664	145	3,905
Southern Area	FIRES					5	3	8
	ACRES					4,112	570	4,682
TOTAL	FIRES	2	2	3	0	48	17	72
	ACRES	596	60	255	0	7,776	2,075	10,762

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIREs	15	74	31	2		141	263
	ACRES	3,976	9,328	1,678	249		8,479	23,710
Northern California	FIREs	12	15	6	15		99	147
	ACRES	188	478	19,055	1,217		6,529	27,467
Southern California	FIREs	1	4	4	3		52	64
	ACRES	500	473	8	1,307		1,979	4,267
Northern Rockies	FIREs	3	23	46	1	27	184	284
	ACRES	135	3,179	8,003	1	1,602	17,630	30,550
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1	13	4	1	8	15	42
	ACRES	1	3,486	711	12	115	2,476	6,801
Western Great Basin	FIREs		1	10				11
	ACRES		1	2,711				2,712
Southwest	FIREs	3	20	2	7		187	219
	ACRES	631	20,355	3,210	12,175		41,945	78,316
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	27	31	79	10	15	84	246
	ACRES	3,698	7,283	15,713	10,235	2,476	23,267	62,672
Eastern Area	FIREs	29		302	32	662	109	1,134
	ACRES	17,410		39,989	4,272	43,992	24,108	129,771
Southern Area	FIREs	34		125	35	298	945	1,437
	ACRES	7,180		65,989	16,044	190,297	792,907	1,072,417
TOTAL	FIREs	125	181	609	106	1,010	1,816	3,847
	ACRES	33,719	44,583	157,067	45,512	238,482	919,320	1,438,683

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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		7	2			3			21	34
Northwest	1		7			1			5	
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies			7							
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	1		1							
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area		1	9	18		3			16	11
Southern Area			4	23		1			1	
Total	2	8	30	41	0	8	0	0	43	45

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