

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2005 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 114 fires reported. No new large fires were reported. One large fire was contained in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Nebraska and Wyoming.

A Presidential Disaster Declaration was issued for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita in Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas. An Area Command Team (Williams-Rhodes) is coordinating relief operations in Louisiana and Texas (FEMA Region VI) and in Mississippi for (FEMA Region IV). The Marietta Mobilization Center in Marietta, GA continues to house and in-brief resources prior to assignment.

Resources are being mobilized to the Southern Area in preparation for Hurricane Wilma.

A link to a map with resources mobilized for hurricane response is located at http://gacc.nifc.gov/sacc/predictive/intelligence/Resource_Map.pdf.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

HURRICANES KATRINA AND RITA SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. Emergency Support Function (ESF) #4 at the state Emergency Operations Centers in Jackson, MS and Baton Rouge, LA are staffed.

Seven Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Johnson, Goheen, Stewart, Floyd, Carlson, LaFave and Brunner) are assigned.

Johnson: managing base camps at Gulfport and Vancleave, MS.

Goheen: managing a mobilization center and base camp at Camp Beauregard, near Pineville, LA.

Stewart: assessing timber damage and assisting with wildfire suppression at Hammond, LA.

Floyd: managing a receiving and distribution center and supporting a mobilization center at Bossier City, LA.

Carlson: managing the Jackson Support Base in the New Orleans French Quarter and supporting several satellite camps in southern Louisiana.

LaFave: managing distribution sites in Hancock County from a base camp at Stennis Space Center, MS.

Brunner: supporting distribution centers and several emergency operations centers in three counties and managing a base camp at Ford Park Arena, Beaumont, TX.

HURRICANE WILMA SUPPORT, Federal Emergency Management Agency. The Regional Response Coordination Center is currently staffed in Atlanta, GA. An Emergency Operations Center is staffed in Tallahassee, FL.

Three Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Pincha-Tulley, Gelobter and Wilcock) have been ordered.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
SALT CREEK	TX	TXS	200	100	---	4	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI

TXS Texas Forest Service

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: High pressure will bring dry weather to most of the West. The South will also be dry except for rain over the southern Appalachians and Florida. Hurricane Wilma is projected to make landfall late Sunday along the west coast of Florida.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern California Morning low clouds and fog in the coastal areas, otherwise mostly sunny.	Mountains: 65 to 75. Valleys: 75 to 85. Upper deserts: 70 to 80. Lower deserts: 80 to 90.	20 to 40%.	Variable to 10 mph.



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

HAZARD MITIGATION THROUGH RISK MANAGEMENT

"Risk management doesn't get in the way of doing the mission – it is the way we do the mission." The Risk Management Process assists in ensuring that critical factors and risks of the fireline work environment are considered during decision making. Good risk management utilizes a five-step process:

• Step 1—Situational Awareness:

- Obtain information.
- Scout the fire.
- Identify hazards—those likely to result in a negative impact.
- Consider all aspects of current and future situations.
- Consider known historical problem areas (Apply information from the Fire Danger Pocket Card.).
- Recognize the need for action.
- Demonstrate ongoing awareness of fire assignment status.
- Note deviations.
- Attempt to determine why discrepancies exist with information before proceeding.

• Step 2—Hazard Assessment:

- Assess hazards to determine risks (e.g., fire behavior, snags, unburned fuels, work/rest).
- Use the Look Up, Down, and Around; and the Tactical Watch Outs (both located in the Incident Response Pocket Guide) to identify high-risk tactical hazards.
- Assess the impact of each hazard in terms of potential loss, cost, and mission/operational degradation based on probability and severity (probability—how likely an event will occur; severity—consequences if the event occurs). Keep in mind that increased exposure time increases probability.

• Step 3—Hazard Control:

- Determine the best approach to mitigate or control the risk from the hazards assessed.
- Establish controls (e.g., anchor point, LCES, utilize downhill checklist, limit exposure time).
- As control measures are developed, reevaluate each risk until it is reduced to a level where benefits outweigh potential costs.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

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					6	1	7
	ACRES					0	5	5
Southern California	FIRES					6	1	7
	ACRES					20	0	20
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					3	3	
	ACRES					1	1	
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1		2	3
	ACRES				1		1	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern Area	FIRES					91		91
	ACRES					539		539
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	1	104	9	114
	ACRES	0	0	0	1	560	8	569

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	4	96	59	16	404	28	607
	ACRES	4	1,917,880	1,633,875	3,409	849,051	337	4,404,556
Northwest	FIREs	176	237	29	38	1,388	903	2,771
	ACRES	28,097	43,134	5,797	122	73,873	99,908	250,931
Northern California	FIREs	164	31	12	15	2,147	499	2,868
	ACRES	248	24,898	45	101	26,922	8,331	60,545
Southern California	FIREs	126	119	13	55	2,636	679	3,628
	ACRES	1,283	5,967	136	74,222	48,266	10,173	140,047
Northern Rockies	FIREs	496	62	32	12	652	664	1,918
	ACRES	20,362	8,800	9,795	25	38,246	51,734	128,962
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	53	719	8	36	708	591	2,115
	ACRES	23,199	637,104	8	2,681	149,476	105,840	918,308
Western Great Basin	FIREs	9	513	19	26	112	115	794
	ACRES	3,069	883,272	13,312	258	114,123	18,070	1,032,104
Southwest	FIREs	1,554	361	41	53	1,320	1,510	4,839
	ACRES	34,713	159,215	35,642	365	130,451	423,455	783,841
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	284	489	31	24	619	524	1,971
	ACRES	6,879	9,830	553	30	31,915	24,571	73,778
Eastern Area	FIREs	595		66	54	10,469	572	11,756
	ACRES	7,114		1,794	963	68,622	9,986	88,479
Southern Area	FIREs	214		181	37	21,365	553	22,350
	ACRES	26,885		42,104	2,474	270,191	14,442	356,096
TOTAL	FIREs	3,675	2,627	491	366	41,820	6,638	55,617
	ACRES	151,853	3,690,100	1,743,061	84,650	1,801,136	766,847	8,237,647

Ten Year Average Fires	72,264
Ten Year Average Acres	4,719,864

*** 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		2				6	8
	ACRES		560				85	645
Northern California	FIREs				5		6	11
	ACRES				7		318	325
Southern California	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIREs		1				2	3
	ACRES		114				303	417
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs					0	1	1
	ACRES					80	62	142
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs					1	1	1
	ACRES					40	40	40
Rocky Mountain	FIREs					2	2	2
	ACRES					5	5	5
Eastern Area	FIREs			1			1	2
	ACRES			25			113	138
Southern Area	FIREs			2			1	3
	ACRES			150			63	213
TOTAL	FIREs	0	3	3	5	0	20	31
	ACRES	0	674	175	7	80	989	1,925

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs					4		4
	ACRES					626		626
Northwest	FIREs	20	124	87	3	1	308	543
	ACRES	7,286	30,057	4,883	265	1	30,415	72,907
Northern California	FIREs	12	24	142	39		227	444
	ACRES	188	1,222	25,800	5,122		23,033	55,365
Southern California	FIREs	1	6	7	19	8	85	126
	ACRES	1,000	402	604	5,373	86	7,322	14,787
Northern Rockies	FIREs	9	36	108	6	36	351	546
	ACRES	495	4,931	24,014	192	3,498	39,943	73,073
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1	37	6	9	19	81	153
	ACRES	1	19,798	1,460	63	1,731	22,918	45,971
Western Great Basin	FIREs		14	11	3		2	30
	ACRES		6,418	3,461	348		2,903	13,130
Southwest	FIREs	8	47	2	12	1	353	423
	ACRES	6,342	52,110	3,210	17,697	300	90,195	169,854
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	30	52	102	20	32	133	369
	ACRES	3,871	23,233	20,400	12,451	3,937	37,716	101,608
Eastern Area	FIREs	44		497	36	1,131	193	1,901
	ACRES	17,741		68,772	4,423	70,710	40,376	202,022
Southern Area	FIREs	34		159	58	406	1,124	1,781
	ACRES	7,180		83,708	54,868	271,531	902,012	1,319,299
TOTAL	FIREs	159	340	1,121	205	1,638	2,857	6,320
	ACRES	44,104	138,171	236,312	100,802	352,420	1,196,833	2,068,642

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			2	13			15
	ACRES			27,225	141,624			168,849
Northwest	FIRES		35		1		1	37
	ACRES		0		2		36,750	36,752
Northern California	FIRES				3		5	8
	ACRES				791		1	792
Southern California	FIRES				14		18	32
	ACRES				9,056		2,355	11,411
Northern Rockies	FIRES				10		95	105
	ACRES				55		63,914	63,969
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				6		101	107
	ACRES				166		85,156	85,322
Western Great Basin	FIRES		9		1			10
	ACRES		1		140			141
Southwest	FIRES	1			2	1	42	46
	ACRES	3,680			9,356	5	105,321	118,362
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		34		5	2	9	50
	ACRES		2,581		1	1,762	2,819	7,163
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						11	11
Southern Area	FIRES				13			13
	ACRES				3,641			3,641
TOTAL	FIRES	1	78	2	68	3	273	425
	ACRES	3,680	2,582	27,225	164,832	1,767	296,327	496,413

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES LAST WEEK	HECTARES LAST WEEK	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	17	72	935	34,954
Yukon Territory	0	0	82	187,438
Alberta	5	2	1267	60,510
Northwest Territory	1	431	260	224,526
Saskatchewan	0	0	320	213,523
Manitoba	0	0	245	72,680
Ontario	88	36	1915	42,310
Quebec	31	294	1363	833,560
Newfoundland	0	0	144	21,429
New Brunswick	1	0	304	249
Nova Scotia	17	5	292	511
Prince Edward Island	0	0	10	42
National Parks	2	0	92	36,325
Total	162	840	7,229	1,728,058

Weekly updates will be provided starting 9/7/05.

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	2		23		1					5
Northern California	7		8				2			
Southern California	1				1		12			
Northern Rockies										5
Eastern Great Basin			4	3					17	1
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain				1						6
Eastern Area										
Southern Area							3			2
Total	10	0	35	4	2	0	17	0	33	3

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