

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2005 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 61 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, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming.

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

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.

Five Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Morcom, Goheen, Floyd, Carlson and LaFave) are assigned.

Morcom: managing base camps at Gulfport and Vancleave, MS. Final demobilization of Vancleave Camp will occur on 10/29.

Goheen: managing a mobilization center and base camp at Camp Beauregard, near Pineville, LA. The Team will demobilize today and closeout on 10/29.

Floyd: Assigned at Barksdale Air Force Base, LA. The Team will demobilize today and closeout on 10/29.

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

LaFave: supporting receiving and distribution of supplies from Stennis Space Center, MS.

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.

Two Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Pincha-Tulley and Gelobter) and two Type 2 Incident Management Teams (Koehler and Jones) are assigned.

Gelobter: managing the Jacksonville Federal Operational Staging Area at Jacksonville, FL, and overseeing the receiving and distribution of relief supplies.

Pincha-Tulley: coordinating receiving and distribution operations and supporting military operations at Homestead Air Force Base, FL.

Koehler: managing a logistics staging area at Lakeland, FL.

Jones: managing a logistics staging area at West Palm Beach, FL

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
BEETLE	FL	FNF	4,459	100	---	50	1	6	0	0	65K	FS

FNF - National Forests in Florida

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

MARSHALL BUTTE, Twin Falls District, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 25 miles west of Rogerson, ID in grass and brush. No new information was reported. This will be the last report.

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MARSHALL BUTTE	ID	TFD	4,000	98	UNK	22	0	7	0	0	NR	BLM

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Dry conditions will persist along most of the Gulf Coast states. A large low pressure system will continue to move over the western third of the country with showers and high elevation snow. Dry and windy conditions will develop out ahead of the weather system across the Rocky Mountain Area.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern California Areas of morning low clouds and fog to the lower coastal slopes, otherwise partly to mostly cloudy with isolated showers over the northern part of Central California.	50 to 65 mountains. 60 to 70 valleys. 65 to 75 upper deserts. 80 to 90 lower deserts.	40 to 60%.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.



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

CONSTRUCTING LINE WITHOUT A SAFE ANCHOR POINT

When deciding where to build fireline, the following considerations must be weighed:

- Can you hold the line without the fire hooking under/around you? How do you protect against losing the line and ensure your safety if there is a danger of the fire hooking around you?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route. Who has the responsibility to designate them and continue to make sure they are adequate?
- Can you develop your starting point into an anchor point? List some good anchor points. Describe how you would develop your starting point into an anchor point.
- Have you posted good lookouts? Where should the lookout(s) be posted? Who can be a lookout?
- Do you have good communications? Who do you need to be in contact with? If the communications are not good, what can you do to improve them?
- To reduce the risks, start the line in another location. Talk about fires where you have had to relocate the line because your anchor point did not hold the fire.

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					11	2	13
	ACRES					1	0	1
Southern California	FIRES				1	8		9
	ACRES				0	110		110
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	27						27
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					4	1	5
	ACRES					46	2	48
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					29	1	30
	ACRES					304	8	312
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	1	52	7	61
	ACRES	27	0	0	0	461	10	498

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	238	29	38	1,390	920	2,791
	ACRES	28,097	43,134	5,797	122	73,875	99,915	250,940
Northern California	FIREs	170	31	12	15	2,204	512	2,944
	ACRES	252	24,898	45	101	27,003	8,534	60,833
Southern California	FIREs	127	119	13	56	2,691	697	3,703
	ACRES	1,283	5,967	136	74,222	48,514	10,176	140,298
Northern Rockies	FIREs	497	62	33	12	654	666	1,924
	ACRES	20,389	8,800	9,798	25	38,267	51,736	129,015
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	53	723	8	36	713	606	2,139
	ACRES	23,199	641,106	8	2,681	150,179	105,842	923,015
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	1,325	1,517	4,851
	ACRES	34,713	159,215	35,642	365	130,499	423,462	783,896
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	284	490	31	27	710	547	2,089
	ACRES	6,879	9,830	553	30	32,058	25,817	75,167
Eastern Area	FIREs	595		66	54	10,504	572	11,791
	ACRES	7,114		1,794	963	68,649	9,987	88,507
Southern Area	FIREs	215		183	37	22,070	576	23,081
	ACRES	26,887		42,413	2,474	281,751	14,769	368,294
TOTAL	FIREs	3,684	2,633	494	370	42,777	6,756	56,714
	ACRES	151,886	3,694,102	1,743,373	84,650	1,813,969	768,645	8,256,625

Ten Year Average Fires	72,328
Ten Year Average Acres	4,666,874

*** 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	14	1				9	24
	ACRES	1,000	100				129	1,229
Northern California	FIREs	0		1			12	13
	ACRES	5		1			878	884
Southern California	FIREs				0		0	0
	ACRES				400		26	426
Northern Rockies	FIREs		2					2
	ACRES		130					130
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs		0		1		2	3
	ACRES		150		20		135	305
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs					10		10
	ACRES					1,101		1,101
Rocky Mountain	FIREs		0				0	0
	ACRES		150				430	580
Eastern Area	FIREs			8		2		10
	ACRES			691		2,105		2,796
Southern Area	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIREs	14	3	9	1	2	33	62
	ACRES	1,005	530	692	420	2,105	2,699	7,451

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	34	129	90	3	1	359	616
	ACRES	8,286	31,030	4,921	265	1	42,001	86,504
Northern California	FIREs	12	25	146	43		283	509
	ACRES	193	1,372	26,397	8,870		29,002	65,834
Southern California	FIREs	1	6	8	20	9	85	129
	ACRES	1,000	402	1,004	5,773	87	8,179	16,445
Northern Rockies	FIREs	9	38	108	6	36	359	556
	ACRES	495	5,061	24,014	192	3,498	40,142	73,402
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	1	38	6	11	21	91	168
	ACRES	1	20,198	1,460	119	1,788	23,933	47,499
Western Great Basin	FIREs		14	11	3		2	30
	ACRES		6,418	3,461	348		2,903	13,130
Southwest	FIREs	8	47	2	13	1	383	454
	ACRES	6,459	52,110	3,210	17,818	300	93,680	173,577
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	30	54	102	20	37	136	379
	ACRES	3,871	23,828	20,400	12,451	5,461	40,200	106,211
Eastern Area	FIREs	44		512	36	1,135	196	1,923
	ACRES	17,741		69,711	4,423	72,940	40,413	205,228
Southern Area	FIREs	34		163	60	407	1,127	1,791
	ACRES	7,180		86,862	55,168	273,031	902,196	1,324,437
TOTAL	FIREs	173	351	1,148	215	1,651	3,021	6,559
	ACRES	45,226	140,419	241,440	105,427	357,732	1,222,649	2,112,893

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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				18		18	36
	ACRES				9,056		2,355	11,411
Northern Rockies	FIREs				10		95	105
	ACRES				55		63,914	63,969
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs				6		102	108
	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	72	3	274	430
	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				3		1				
Northern California	3									
Southern California	1					1		9		
Northern Rockies										5
Eastern Great Basin				9	2					
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain				3	1					33
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	1		7	15	1	1	3		17	8
Total	5	0	22	18	3	1	12	0	55	8

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