

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, JULY 20, 2006 – 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 4

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was heavy nationally with 314 new fires reported. Seventeen new large fires (*) were reported, five in the Eastern Great Basin Area, four in the Northern Rockies and Rocky Mountain Areas, two in the Southern Area and one each in the Southwest and Western Great Basin Areas. Eight large fires were contained, two in the Rocky Mountain and Western Great Basin Areas, and one each in the Northern California, Southwest, Eastern Great Basin and Southern Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, New Mexico, California, Colorado, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Wisconsin, Idaho and Wyoming.

Two MAFFS C-130 aircraft and support personnel from the 145th Airlift Wing, Charlotte, North Carolina have been deployed to Klamath Falls, Oregon. Major Dan Cloninger, NCANG is the Mission Commander.

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

PACKER GULCH, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kusicko) is assigned. This fire is 11 miles northwest of Drummond, MT in timber. Residences and other structures remain threatened. Moderate fire behavior with torching and spotting was observed.

BLACK PULASKI COMPLEX, Miles City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stanich) is assigned. This complex, consisting of the Black Pulaski, Lodgepole, Hill Coulee, Lost Creek, Square Butte, Soda Creek and Chalk Butte fires, is 25 miles north of Jordan, MT in ponderosa pine, grass, juniper and sagebrush. Several residences, structures, grazing lands and irrigation structures are threatened. Steep terrain, weather and dry fuels continue to impede containment efforts. Active fire behavior with torching and short runs was observed.

FLAT TIRE COMPLEX, Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Turman) is assigned. This fire is 12 miles south of Glasgow, MT in pinyon pine, juniper and sagebrush. Isolated interior smokes were observed. Significant progress was made due to favorable weather conditions.

SOUTH PINE, Gallatin National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Hall) has been ordered. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFO) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning eleven miles northeast of Pray, MT in timber. Active burning with short-range spotting was reported.

MAJERUS, Southern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (McNitt) is assigned. The Team is also managing the Bundy Railroad fire. This fire is 10 miles south of Roundup, MT in timber and grass. Minimal fire behavior with moderate to low rates of spread was reported.

WATT DRAW, Miles City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Reid) is assigned. The Team is also managing the Sagebrush fire. This fire is 13 miles southeast of Ashland, MT in grass, timber and sagebrush. Residences and outbuildings remain threatened. Limited road access is hampering containment efforts. Smoldering, creeping, and occasional torching were observed.

SAGEBRUSH, Northern Cheyenne Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is two miles northwest of Ashland, MT in timber, grass and understory. Minimal fire behavior was observed.

BUNDY RAILROAD, Billings District, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is eight miles northeast of Worden, MT in timber, grass and sagebrush. Good progress was made on improving and holding the fireline. Isolated smoldering in heavy fuels was reported.

UL BEND, Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Turman) is assigned. This fire is 60 miles northwest of Winnett, MT. Minimal fire behavior was observed.

BAR CREEK, Clearwater National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning 26 miles northeast of Pierce, ID. This will be the last narrative report unless significant activity is reported.

MAGPIE, Yellowstone National Park. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning eighteen miles east of West Yellowstone, MT in lodgepole pine. Crowning, short-range spotting, and intense burning were observed. This will be the last narrative unless significant activity is reported.

BIRTHDAY 2, Crow Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is ten miles south of St. Xavier, MT in timber. Some hot spots within the perimeter were reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
PACKER GULCH	MT	SWS	350	5	UNK	103	3	9	0	0	NR	ST
BLACK PULASKI COMPLEX	MT	MCD	98,000	30	7/25	523	14	28	0	1	529K	BLM
FLAT TIRE COMPLEX	MT	CMR	18,635	70	UNK	149	4	0	0	0	287K	FWS
* SOUTH PINE - WFU	MT	GNF	50	0	UNK	8	3	0	1	0	15K	FS
MAJERUS	MT	SOS	1,100	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	3	NR	ST
WATT DRAW	MT	MCD	17,552	90	7/21	362	5	20	2	0	1.1M	BLM
SAGEBRUSH	MT	NCA	1,069	98	UNK	10	0	2	0	4	35K	BIA
BUNDY RAILROAD	MT	BID	92,000	98	7/21	459	8	39	5	1	2.5M	BLM
* UL BEND	MT	CMR	1,800	NR	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FWS
* BAR CREEK – WFU	ID	CWF	284	N/A	N/A	6	0	0	1	0	1K	FS
* MAGPIE - WFU	WY	YNP	335	N/A	N/A	3	0	0	1	0	NR	NPS
BIRTHDAY 2	MT	CRA	6,195	75	UNK	132	3	10	1	1	NR	BIA

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

SAWMILL, Natrona County. A Type 2 Incident Management Team has been ordered. This fire is 10 miles east of Edgerton, WY in sagebrush, ponderosa pine, and juniper. Four residences, oil wells, telecommunications towers, and powerlines are threatened. Extreme fire behavior with major running, spotting and torching was observed.

STANDING ROCK COMPLEX, Standing Rock Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Mullenix) has been ordered. This fire is nine miles west of Fort Yates, ND in grass and down timber. Several residences, schools, and tribal resources are threatened. Evacuations have occurred. Very active fire behavior with short runs and crowning was observed.

LITTLE VENUS, Shoshone National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team has been ordered. The fire is 30 miles west of Meeteetse, WY in bug-killed spruce with heavy down fuels. Structures remain threatened. Progress was made on containing the northeast side of the fire. Extreme fire behavior was reported.

TWENTY MILE, Casper Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Blume) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles northeast of Douglas, WY in grass, sagebrush, juniper and ponderosa pine. Several residences, buildings, and a natural gas well are threatened. Minimal fire behavior with interior torching and surface spread was observed.

BUFFALO CREEK COMPLEX, A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Reid) is assigned. This fire is three miles north of Leiter, WY in grass and sagebrush. Residences, natural gas wells, and powerlines are threatened. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, smoldering, and isolated short runs in light fuels were observed.

WEAVER, Ute Mountain Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is 10 miles southwest of Red Mesa, CO in pinyon pine, juniper, and sagebrush. Difficult terrain is hindering containment efforts. No further information was received.

VALENTINE, Nebraska Department of Forestry. This fire is north of Valentine, NE in timber. Approaching weather is a concern. No further information was received.

BLACK HORSE CREEK, South Dakota Wildland Fire Suppression Area. This fire is 20 miles east of Bison, SD in grass. Several residences and buildings are threatened. Very active fire behavior with 10 foot flame lengths was reported.

BOMBER BASIN – WFU, Shoshone National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. A Fire Use Management Team has been ordered. The fire is burning 15 miles south of Dubois, WY in timber. Single tree and group torching was observed.

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* SAWMILL	WY	CPX	10,000	NR	UNK	119	2	7	1	0	NR	CTNY
STANDING ROCK COMPLEX	ND	SRA	20,000	30	7/21	127	0	47	0	1	200K	BIA
LITTLE VENUS	WY	SHF	12,000	5	UNK	113	2	8	3	0	400K	FS
TWENTY MILE	WY	CAD	11,998	40	7/22	331	8	28	5	0	648K	BLM

BUFFALO CREEK COMPLEX	WY	CPX	22,920	95	7/20	101	1	26	0	0	NR	CNTY
* WEAVER	CO	UMA	679	NR	UNK	132	3	10	0	0	NR	BIA
VALENTINE	NE	NES	3,100	75	UNK	122	3	16	0	13	NR	ST
BLACK HORSE CREEK	SD	SDS	10,150	80	UNK	35	0	11	0	6	15K	ST
* BOMBER BASIN – WFU	WY	SHF	230	N/A	N/A	3	0	0	0	0	30K	FS
KELLY	SD	SDS	5,133	100	---	4	0	2	0	0	20K	ST
FT. PIERRE COMPLEX	SD	SDS	1,694	100	---	8	0	4	0	0	NR	ST

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

QUARTZ CREEK, Payette National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team has been ordered. This fire is six miles north of Yellowpine, ID in timber. Steep, rugged terrain is hindering containment efforts. Running crown fire in heavy timber with 50 foot flame lengths was observed.

TRAILHEAD, Sawtooth National Forest. This fire is 10 miles west-southwest of Stanley, ID in timber. Commercial property is threatened. Steep and rugged terrain is impeding containment efforts. Trails and backcountry closures are in effect. Active fire behavior with torching, spotting and running was reported.

DOG VALLEY, Fish Lake National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Lund) is assigned. This fire is three miles east of Cove Fort, UT in grass, sagebrush, pinyon pine, juniper and oak. Four residences, the community of Cove Fort, Interstates 15 and 70, a natural gas pipeline, utility infrastructure and a historical site are threatened. Steep, rugged terrain and limited access are hindering containment. Moderate fire behavior was observed.

RANCH, Southwest Area, Utah State Division of Forestry Fire & State Lands. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Brunner) is assigned. This fire is nine miles northeast of Leeds, UT in cheatgrass, brush, pinyon pine and juniper. Several residences remain threatened. Difficult access is impeding containment efforts. Moderate fire behavior with flame lengths up to eight feet was observed.

OAK CITY CANYON, South Central Area, Utah State Division of Forestry Fire & State Lands. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Thomas) is assigned. This fire is two miles southeast of Oak City, UT in pinyon pine, juniper, grass, sagebrush and oak brush. Numerous residences and a campground remain threatened. Structure protection is in place. Steep terrain and dry fuels are impeding containment efforts. Creeping and short uphill fire runs were reported.

TWIN PEAKS, Richfield Field Office. This fire is 10 miles west of Kanosh, UT in grass, sagebrush, pinyon pine, and juniper. A ranch and powerlines are threatened. Winds from passing thunderstorms produced extreme fire behavior.

SOUTH, Salt Lake Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is twelve miles west of Grantsville, UT in cheatgrass and juniper. Inaccessible, rough and remote terrain is hindering containment efforts. Cultural resources are threatened. Smoldering and creeping with some isolated torching was observed.

GOOSEBERRY, Fishlake National Forest. This fire is ten miles southeast of Salina, UT in mountain mahogany, brush, pinyon pine and juniper. Heavy fuel loading is impeding containment efforts. Isolated torching and smoldering was reported.

LICK CREEK, Payette National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Hahnenberg) is assigned. The Team is also managing the Dunce WFU. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning 25 miles northwest of McCall, ID in timber. Grazing allotments, the towns of Secesh, Warren and critical fishery habitat are threatened. Backing fire and occasional torching were reported.

KILN COMPLEX, Arizona Strip Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 30 miles southwest of St. George, UT in brush and cheatgrass. The complex includes the Kiln, Lime, and White Rock Fires. Lime Kiln and Cabin Canyon Roads are closed. Creeping, smoldering and surface spread were reported.

SPRINGS, Moab District, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is seven miles north of Woodside, UT in timber. No new information was reported.

ST. JOHN, Wasatch Front Area, Utah State Division of Forestry Fire & State Lands. This fire is one mile north of St. John, UT in short grass and dormant brush. Interior torching and smoldering were observed. The fire received some precipitation.

DUNCE, Payette National Forest. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning 31 miles east of Edwardsburg, ID in cheatgrass. A structure protection plan is in place for Taylor Ranch. Creeping and backing fire with short uphill runs were observed. The Lick Creek and Dunce fires will be combined into the Payette Complex.

JIM CREEK, Bridger Teton National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Weldon) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning 24 miles north of Pinedale, WY in subalpine fir, spruce and pine. Minimal fire behavior with creeping ground fire and occasional torching was observed.

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* QUARTZ CREEK	ID	PAF	100	0	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
* TRAILHEAD	ID	STF	250	0	7/25	14	0	2	1	0	NR	STF
DOG VALLEY	UT	FIF	28,865	40	7/23	323	9	8	1	0	290K	FS
RANCH	UT	SWS	7,130	60	7/23	446	12	26	4	0	1.1M	ST
OAK CITY CANYON	UT	SCS	9,740	75	7/21	307	8	6	2	3	450K	ST
* TWIN PEAKS	UT	RID	7,000	30	7/23	28	0	6	0	0	NR	BLM
* SOUTH	UT	SLD	3,300	60	UNK	41	0	6	1	0	87K	BLM
GOOSEBERRY	UT	FIF	350	10	UNK	70	1	6	1	0	35K	FS
LICK CREEK - WFU	ID	PAF	550	N/A	N/A	62	1	1	0	0	62K	FS
* KILN COMPLEX	AZ	ASD	2,500	20	UNK	113	2	13	0	0	NR	BLM
SPRINGS	UT	MOD	200	0	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM
ST. JOHN	UT	NWS	2,882	80	UNK	64	1	8	1	0	350K	ST

DUNCE - WFU	ID	PAF	3,500	N/A	N/A	2	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
JIM CREEK – WFU	WY	BTF	816	N/A	N/A	19	0	0	1	0	56K	FS
DRILL HOLE- WFU	UT	DIF	400	N/A	N/A	28	1	1	0	0	NR	FS
SID	ID	TFD	1,200	100	---	18	0	5	0	0	NR	BLM

DIF – Dixie National Forest

TFD – Twin Falls District, Bureau of Land Management

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

HEART, San Bernardino National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Command Team (Molumby) is assigned. This fire is eight miles southwest of Big Bear Lake, CA in timber and brush. Steep terrain and thunderstorm down drafts are impeding containment efforts. Smoldering and some backing fire were reported. The Heart and Millard Complex will be combined into the Heart-Millard fire.

MILLARD COMPLEX, San Bernardino National Forest. A Unified Command between a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Walker), the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF), the Forest Service, and the Riverside County Fire Department is in place. A transfer of command to a Type 1 Incident Management Team (Molumby) will occur today. This complex, comprised of the State, Jump Off, For Sure and Millard fires, is seven miles north of Cabazon, CA in chaparral and conifer. Residences and a repeater site, remain threatened. Minimal fire behavior was observed. Increase in acreage is primarily due to continuing burn out operations.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
HEART	CA	BDF	800	10	UNK	503	11	5	2	0	1.4M	FS
MILLARD COMPLEX	CA	BDF	24,210	67	UNK	448	7	6	13	0	9.6M	FS
MAGGIE - WFU	CA	SQF	210	N/A	N/A	39	2	0	1	0	115K	FS

SQF – Sequoia National Forest

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

JACKASS, Humbolt-Toiyabe National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Broyles) is assigned. This fire is 80 miles southeast of Reno, NV and eight miles northeast of Walker, CA in hardwood litter, pinyon pine and juniper. Winds from passing thunderstorms, rough terrain, and heavy fuel loading are hampering containment. Numerous residences remain threatened. Very active fire behavior with wind-driven runs was reported.

TROY PEAK, Humbolt-Toiyabe National Forest. This fire is eight miles north of Adaven, NV in timber. Steep, rocky terrain and inaccessibility are hindering containment efforts. Backing fire and smoldering were observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
JACKASS	NV	HTF	6,135	30	7/21	351	7	15	4	0	675K	FS
TROY PEAK	NV	HTF	1,183	0	UNK	3	0	0	0	0	18K	FS
LUSETTI - WFU	NV	ELD	2,784	N/A	N/A	86	2	4	1	0	300K	BLM

* CRYSTAL	NV	LVD	315	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	4K	BLM
BORDER	NV	GBP	165	100	---	66	2	0	2	0	NR	NPS

ELD - Ely District, Bureau of Land Management

LVD – Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management

GBP - Great Basin National Park

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

CIBOLA, Cibola National Wildlife Refuge. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Reinarz) has been ordered. This fire is 42 miles southwest of Yuma, AZ in chaparral and salt cedar. Numerous residences remain threatened. Interior torching was observed.

STONE, Fort Apache Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Philbin) is assigned. This fire is 16 miles northwest of Whiteriver, AZ in timber and chaparral. Steep, rugged terrain is hampering containment efforts. Creeping and smoldering and some individual torching within the perimeter were reported. Some precipitation was reported over the fire area.

RIM, Truxton Canon Agency. This fire is 15 miles south of the Grand Canyon Resort, on the Hualapai Reservation in sagebrush, grass, pinyon pine and juniper. Moderate fire behavior was reported.

THUMB, Truxton Canon Agency. This fire is 13 miles northeast of Supai, AZ in pinyon pine, juniper and grass. The fire is being monitored from the air. No further information was received.

POCKET, Kaibab National Forest. This fire is 18 miles southwest Jacob Lake, AZ in mixed conifer. Intermittent fire runs were reported.

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CIBOLA	AZ	IMR	4,600	40	7/28	131	4	9	3	0	NR	FWS
STONE	AZ	FTA	165	50	7/24	196	6	3	0	0	135K	BIA
RIM	AZ	TCA	950	80	7/20	79	3	4	0	0	11K	BIA
THUMB	AZ	TCA	578	0	7/21	3	0	0	1	0	NR	BIA
* POCKET	AZ	KNF	250	15	UNK	64	2	3	2	0	NR	FS
WEST – WFU	NM	EMP	213	N/A	N/A	74	3	1	0	1	150K	NPS
SOWATS	AZ	KNF	NR	100	---	27	0	7	0	0	NR	FS

EMP - El Malpais National Monument

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

CREEK, Lassen-Modoc Unit, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF). This fire is five miles southwest of Susanville, CA in timber, brush and logging slash. Numerous residences are threatened. Difficult access, and steep terrain are hampering containment. Smoldering with some flare-ups was reported.

GREASE, Plumas National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Sinclear) is assigned. This fire is 12 miles north of Beckwourth, CA in heavy brush and timber. No further information was received.

CARIBOU COMPLEX, Klamath National Forest. A Wildland Fire Use Management Team (Perkins) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning ten miles southeast of Cecilville, CA in timber. There are two fires in the complex, the Caribou and the Moraine. Trail closures are in effect for the Caribou Lakes area. Fire activity was minimal.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
CREEK	CA	LMU	1,400	75	7/20	476	35	46	6	0	NR	ST
GREASE	CA	PNF	366	90	7/20	447	12	16	1	0	850K	FS
CARIBOU COMPLEX - WFU	CA	KNF	125	N/A	N/A	36	2	0	1	0	90K	FS
YOLLA BOLLY COMPLEX - WFU	CA	MNF	1,247	N/A	N/A	41	1	0	1	0	1.1M	FS
29	CA	LNU	550	100	---	212	13	11	3	5	1.4M	ST

MNF – Mendocino National Forest

LNU –Lake Napa Unit, CDF

EASTERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

CAVITY LAKE, Superior National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Stegmier) is assigned. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Lohrey) will assume command tomorrow. This fire is 44 miles northeast of Ely, MN in timber and blowdown. Heavy fuel loading is hindering containment efforts. Extreme fire behavior was reported.

TURTLE LAKE, Superior National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Svalberg) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning 15 miles east of Ely, MN in timber. Slow to moderate fire behavior with isolated single tree torching and limited spotting was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
CAVITY LAKE	MN	SUF	19,800	0	7/31	258	6	9	4	0	850K	MN
TURTLE LAKE - WFU	MN	SUF	1,500	N/A	N/A	62	1	0	0	0	300K	FS

NORTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

TIN PAN, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Furlong) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is burning seven miles west of Lucerne, WA in timber. Fire activity moderated due to cloud cover, higher humidity and lower temperatures.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
TIN PAN – WFU	WA	OWF	528	N/A	N/A	35	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

LONE STAR, Texas Forest Service. This fire is six miles southeast of Henrietta, TX in grass and brush. Four structures are threatened. No further information was received.

LONG, Texas Forest Service. This fire is five miles northeast of Strawn, TX in brush. Difficult terrain is hindering containment efforts. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
* LONE STAR	TX	TXS	1,500	30	7/20	79	0	20	1	0	NR	PRI
LONG	TX	TXS	150	80	7/20	18	0	6	0	0	NR	PRI
* MOUND PRAIRIE	TX	TXS	130	100	---	30	0	6	1	0	NR	PRI

OUTLOOK:

Red Flag Warning: For the Big Horn Mountains for shifting winds, low relative humidity and increasing thunderstorms.

Fire Weather Watch: Thursday afternoon through the evening for all of northeast, south central and southeast Montana and portions of northwest South Dakota for isolated to scattered thunderstorms with erratic and gusty winds and wind shift associated with a frontal passage.

Weather Discussion: Isolated dry lightning is possible over portions of northern California, the northern Great Basin and eastern Montana with scattered wet storms across the Southwest. Gusty winds are expected over eastern Montana and the western Dakotas with cooler and drier weather across most of Minnesota. High pressure will strengthen over the western U.S. during the next few days with temperatures rising to near record levels across portions of the Pacific Northwest and Great Basin accompanied by some isolated dry lightning over the weekend.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Northern Rockies Area A shortwave trough will move across Montana into the western Dakotas providing variable cloudy skies, breezy and seasonal conditions. This piece of Pacific energy will provide some afternoon thunderstorm activity across eastern Montana and into western North Dakota by evening. Continued dry for areas west of the divide.	West of divide: 83 to 87. East of divide: 84 to 90. North Dakota: 82 to 88.	West of divide: 20 to 25%. East of divide: 25 to 35%. North Dakota: 28 to 35%.	West of divide: West 10 to 15 mph East of divide: Southeast 10 to 15mph shifting North 15 to 25 mph. North Dakota: Easterly 10 to 20 mph

Rocky Mountain Area Scattered thunderstorms, mainly along and east of the divide.	90s to around 100. 80s in the mountains.	10 to 20% west of the divide, 20 to 30% east of the divide.	West 5 to 15 mph west of the divide. East to southeast 5 to 15 mph east of the divide.
Eastern Great Basin Area Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Partly cloudy. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms in western Wyoming. Northern Utah: Partly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms in the west, scattered showers and thunderstorms in the east. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: Partly cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 70 to 85 mountains, 86 to 98 valleys. Northern Utah: 77 to 88 mountains, 89 to 100 valleys. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: 75 to 86 mountains, 87 to 106 valleys, 107 to 115 low deserts.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 22 to 34% mountains, 11 to 21% valleys. Northern Utah: 21 to 31% mountains, 11 to 20% valleys. Southern Utah, Arizona Strip: 28 to 40 to % mountains, 14 to 27% valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: West/Northwest 8 to 13 mph. Northern Utah: Western portions: West 10 to 20 mph. Eastern portions: upslope/upvalley 5 to 10 mph. Southern Utah, AZ Strip: Western portions: upslope/upvalley 5 to 10 mph Eastern portions: Southwest 10 to 20 mph.
Southern California Area Patchy morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise mostly sunny, except becoming partly cloudy with a few thunderstorms over the mountains and deserts.	85 to 100 mountains. 95 to 105 valleys. 100 to 105 upper deserts. 110 to 115 lower deserts.	40 to 60% coastal areas 20 to 30% valleys 20 to 30% mountains 10 to 20% deserts	Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph.
Western Great Basin Area Partly to mostly sunny across the northwestern corner of the state with isolated to scattered thunderstorms elsewhere.	Northern valleys: 91 to 105. Southern valleys: 92 to 114. Northern mountains: 82 to 93. Southern mountains: 80 to 90.	Northern valleys: 11 to 22%. Southern valleys: 14 to 24%. Northern mountains: 15 to 30%. Southern mountains: 24 to 34%.	Southwest to northwest at 5 to 15 mph, stronger gusts near thunderstorms.
Southwest Area Partly cloudy most areas, except mostly sunny far eastern New Mexico and west Texas. Scattered showers and thunderstorms across central and eastern Arizona into western New Mexico. Elsewhere, isolated convective activity expected.	90 to near 113 lower elevations. 70 to 90 in the higher terrain.	15 to 25% most lower elevations, 20% to 35 higher elevations.	Light and variable across Arizona. South to southeast from 10 to 20 mph for New Mexico and west Texas. Erratic and gusty in and around thunderstorms.
Northern California Area Mostly sunny. Becoming partly cloudy near the mountains of the southern 2/3 of the Geographic Area in the afternoon with a 30% chance of thunderstorms. Dry lightning is possible with these storms.	60s and 70s coast, 80s and 90s mountains, to 107 warmest interior valleys.	12 to 20% east of the Cascade-Sierra crest and 15 to 25% elsewhere inland areas.	Coast: SW to NW 5 to 15 mph with afternoon gusts to 25 mph. Elsewhere, SE to SW 5 to 10 mph with afternoon gusts to 20 mph.

Eastern Area Showers and thunderstorms likely across the northern 2/3 of Indiana, southeast Missouri, Illinois, the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, northern Ohio, far northwestern Pennsylvania, and western New York. Scattered showers and storms over the eastern Mid-Atlantic and far southeastern Northeast states. Fair elsewhere.	77 to 82 over the northern Great Lakes and northern Northeast states. 100 to 104 across southern Missouri. 82 to 94 elsewhere.	29 to 34% across southern Missouri. 35 to 42% over the western Great Lakes and Iowa. 40 to 55% elsewhere.	Northwest at 10 to 18 mph across the northwest and north central Great Lakes. Light to moderate winds elsewhere.
Northwest Area Sunny, dry and warmer.	West of Cascades: mid 80s to lower 90s. East of Cascades: mid 90s.	West of Cascades: 17 to 22% East of Cascades: 10 to 15%	Northwest 5 to 10 mph becoming upslope/upvalley in the afternoon.
Southern Area No information reported.			



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

Radio Narrowbanding

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- Federal Agencies are under a congressional mandate to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrowbanded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 MHz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrowbanded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at www.radios.nifc.gov
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for yourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0			2		2
	ACRES		825			747		1,572
Northwest	FIRES	3	1	1		4	7	16
	ACRES	0	1	21		12	2	36
Northern California	FIRES					15	3	18
	ACRES					1,767	1	1,768
Southern California	FIRES						17	17
	ACRES						5	5
Northern Rockies	FIRES	8	0	1		6	17	32
	ACRES	18	9,000	9,435		11,270	539	30,262
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	21			9	12	44
	ACRES	0	3,199			2,871	4,226	10,296
Western Great Basin	FIRES		14			2	8	24
	ACRES		50			11	316	377
Southwest	FIRES	16	10		1	3	25	55
	ACRES	6	4		0	3	91	104
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	3	1		1	1	11	17
	ACRES	587	0		0	10,255	3	10,845
Eastern Area	FIRES			4		28	2	34
	ACRES			10		38	1	49
Southern Area	FIRES	3				47	5	55
	ACRES	86				1,692	95	1,873
TOTAL	FIRES	35	47	6	2	117	107	314
	ACRES	697	13,079	9,466	0	28,666	5,279	57,187

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	5	16	9	3	230		263
	ACRES	67	3,760	81,123	1,542	137,593		224,085
Northwest	FIRES	135	160	26	14	646	480	1,461
	ACRES	631	21,450	235	8	7,965	2,375	32,664
Northern California	FIRES	92	30	5	11	1,689	390	2,217
	ACRES	201	4,035	25	1	77,582	7,531	89,375
Southern California	FIRES	71	47	4	25	1,223	362	1,732
	ACRES	303	2,712	2	3,859	50,267	57,037	114,180
Northern Rockies	FIRES	585	26	32	3	444	304	1,394
	ACRES	10,504	112,657	30,828	223	164,140	10,041	328,393
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	37	448	5	16	423	227	1,156
	ACRES	320	153,631	18	17,635	84,534	37,552	293,690
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	381	18	12	76	72	564
	ACRES	28	200,020	24,036	205	57,918	9,216	291,423
Southwest	FIRES	765	302	9	112	2,046	1,317	4,551
	ACRES	13,516	30,572	4,483	6,812	497,390	137,338	690,111
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	738	378	44	36	829	387	2,412
	ACRES	33,487	4,580	2,078	86	182,709	12,843	235,783
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		38	58	10,351	529	11,465
	ACRES	5,759		839	256	73,559	13,345	93,758
Southern Area	FIRES	1,014		160	50	36,411	913	38,548
	ACRES	158,801		15,412	5,685	2,076,737	46,733	2,303,368
TOTAL	FIRES	3,936	1,788	350	340	54,368	4,981	65,763
	ACRES	223,617	533,417	159,079	36,312	3,410,394	334,011	4,696,830

Ten Year Average Fires	47,480
Ten Year Average Acres	2,597,668

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			2				2
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				100			100
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	2	100	0	0	102

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		6		7
	ACRES			9,610		2,429		12,039
Northwest	FIRES	15	121	54	1	1	230	422
	ACRES	6,852	10,396	6,702	98	180	30,021	54,249
Northern California	FIRES	17	23	20	4	4	104	172
	ACRES	207	2,991	26,950	66	16	4,652	34,882
Southern California	FIRES		5	8	6	2	64	85
	ACRES		285	320	909	21	2,689	4,224
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1	20	124	2	33	284	464
	ACRES	40	4,344	21,389	268	3,177	31,768	60,986
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	6	20	6	3	5	52	92
	ACRES	1,611	2,886	1,579	1,870	129	22,502	30,577
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6	4			1	11
	ACRES		425	14			1,085	1,524
Southwest	FIRES	26	21	5	7		98	157
	ACRES	3,888	13,270	8,456	3,181		49,538	78,333
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	30	20	98	15	33	97	293
	ACRES	3,817	5,422	20,190	8,996	1,767	27,845	68,037
Eastern Area	FIRES	40		501	35	1,562	149	2,287
	ACRES	15,175		58,053	4,959	77,313	29,049	184,549
Southern Area	FIRES	22		166	57	14,924	830	15,999
	ACRES	6,639		73,121	27,990	943,668	667,326	1,718,744
TOTAL	FIRES	157	236	987	130	16,570	1,909	19,989
	ACRES	38,229	40,019	226,384	48,337	1,028,700	866,475	2,248,144

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				12			12
Northwest	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				0			0
Northern California	FIRES				1		7	8
	ACRES				0		1,387	1,387
Southern California	FIRES				15		4	19
	ACRES				27		411	438
Northern Rockies	FIRES				5		11	16
	ACRES				1		308	309
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1					30	31
	ACRES	105					9,558	9,663
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2		6			8
	ACRES		2,378		176			2,554
Southwest	FIRES				6		27	33
	ACRES				1,956		35,754	37,710
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		4		1		6	11
	ACRES		0		0		129	129
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						24	24
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						4,682	4,682
TOTAL	FIRES	1	6	0	37	0	88	132
	ACRES	105	2,378	0	2,172	0	52,253	56,908

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	2	0	1,221	105,349
Yukon Territory	1	0	61	55,504
Alberta	6	328	1,467	113,648
Northwest Territory	7	39	68	3,491
Saskatchewan	1	0	407	1,069,730
Manitoba	6	1	416	69,889
Ontario	78	444	858	12,153
Quebec	4	10	549	127,551
Newfoundland	2	7	64	2,923
New Brunswick	0	0	269	403
Nova Scotia	1	0	199	1,613
Prince Edward Island	0	0	34	47
National Parks	2	37	84	11,781
Total	110	866	5,697	1,574,082

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	2	2								
Northwest	5		6		7	1			49	11
Northern California	25	49	37	68	4	11	1		135	93
Southern California	44	1	25	1	42	3	1		180	125
Northern Rockies	53	2	51	114	9	6	4		391	148
Eastern Great Basin	30	9	81	63	13	8	4		289	69
Western Great Basin	13	5	18	10	9	2			131	17
Southwest	18	4	17	11	3	3	1		93	27
Rocky Mountain	16	7	60	123	10	8	4		148	58
Eastern Area	2	5	3	9	6	2			99	53
Southern Area				26		1			1	5
Total	208	84	298	425	103	45	15	0	1516	606

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