

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
THURSDAY, MARCH 9, 2006 0800 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was heavy nationally with 392 new fires reported. Four new large fires were reported, and six large fires were contained in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Texas and Kansas.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

OKLAHOMA FIRE RESPONSE, Oklahoma State. An Oklahoma State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Roberts) is assigned in Shawnee, OK. The Team is assisting local, state, and federal jurisdictions with managing existing fires and initial attack in Oklahoma. Acres, structure losses and costs have been adjusted to represent cumulative ABC Miscellaneous fire activity statewide since January 1.

WEST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hannemann) is in place in Granbury, TX. The Team is assisting local jurisdictions with managing existing fires and initial attack within the 220,000 square mile West Zone fire management response area. Large fires within the management area include the Ivanhoe Complex. Acres, structure losses and costs have been adjusted to represent cumulative fire activity for the response area.

BAYOU LABATRE, Alabama Forestry Commission. This fire is eight miles northeast of Bayou Labatre, AL in southern rough. No further information was received.

TWIN HILLS, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is south of Tulsa, OK in grass. No further information was received.

LILLIAN SWAMP, Alabama Forestry Commission. This fire is in Baldwin County, AL in southern rough. No further information was received.

EMPIRE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is five miles north of Empire, OK in grass. No further information was received.

SOONER LAKE, Pawnee Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is 10 miles east of Redrock, OK in grass. No further information was received.

HUNT MILL HOLLOW, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire started on private land nine miles southeast of Stilwell, OK in hardwood litter. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

SARGE CREEK, Osage Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is one mile east of Burbank, OK in grass. Extreme fire behavior posed a threat to powerlines and farm equipment. The fire will be patrolled today.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
OKLAHOMA FIRE RESPONSE	OK	OKS	115,266	NR	UNK	138	0	16	4	0	7.25M	ST
WEST TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	764	NR	UNK	167	0	7	0	0	1.27M	N/A
BAYOY LABATRE	AL	ALS	400	50	3/9	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
TWIN HILLS	OK	OKS	4,000	45	UNK	18	0	5	0	0	NR	ST
LILLIAN SWAMP	AL	ALS	3,600	75	3/9	20	0	3	1	0	NR	ST
EMPIRE	OK	OKS	8,000	95	3/9	0	0	0	0	30	NR	ST
SOONER LAKE	OK	PAA	1,600	50	UNK	39	1	4	0	0	NR	BIA
HUNT MILL HOLLOW	OK	OKS	3,320	90	UNK	4	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
SARGE CREEK	OK	OSA	880	90	UNK	113	0	33	0	0	NR	BIA
QUARRY	VA	VAF	1,157	100	---	191	5	3	2	0	338K	FS
US176 #2	NC	NCS	275	100	---	4	2	2	0	0	NR	ST
SOUTHEASTERN DISTRICT COMPLEX	KY	KYS	502	100	---	98	11	8	0	0	NR	PRI
KY RIVER DISTRICT COMPLEX	KY	KYS	672	100	---	198	18	6	0	0	NR	PRI
EASTERN DISTRICT COMPLEX	KY	KYS	864	100	---	160	13	15	0	0	NR	PRI
IVANHOE COMPLEX	TX	TXS	160	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

VAF George Washington & Jefferson National Forests

NCS North Carolina State Division of Forestry

KYS Kentucky Division of Forestry

OUTLOOK:

Fire Weather Watches: East-central New Mexico, and much of western and southwestern Texas for strong winds and low humidities.

Weather Discussion: Dry and windy conditions will continue today over portions of New Mexico and Texas. Windy conditions will develop over the Ohio and Tennessee Valleys, extending into the Mid-Atlantic states with moderate relative humidity levels. Relative humidity will increase over the Southeast and Florida ahead of an approaching storm system.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southwest Area Partly cloudy most areas, except mostly cloudy from far northern Arizona through the Four Corners region into northern New Mexico. Scattered rain/snow showers far northern sections of Arizona through the northern third of New Mexico.	30 to 50 mountains. 50 to 75 lower elevations.	10 to 20%, except 15 to 30% higher mountains and northeastern Arizona through northern New Mexico.	Southwest to west 10 to 20 mph in many areas; higher gusts east-central New Mexico into eastern New Mexico and west Texas.
Eastern Area Partly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms across the Mid-Atlantic states.	50 to 60 degrees over New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania. 60 to 70 degrees across Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland and Delaware.	30 to 40% outside of any scattered showers or storms in the Mid-Atlantic states. Lowest relative humidity levels should mainly occur over Maryland, Delaware, and eastern West Virginia.	South 10 to 20 mph with higher gusts across southern Indiana and the Mid-Atlantic states.
Southern California Scattered showers north, and a chance of light showers south.	35 to 50 mountains. 55 to 65 valleys. 50 to 60 upper deserts. 65 to 75 lower deserts.	45 to 60%.	Southwest to northwest 15 to 25 mph with higher gusts.
Southern Area No information was reported.			
Rocky Mountain Area No information was reported.			



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VEHICLE ENTRAPMENT

If you find yourself in a fire entrapment situation where a shelter deployment is not possible, using a vehicle for refuge may be an option. The following are some considerations for a vehicle entrapment:

- Park the vehicle in an area void of vegetation.
- Fire out around the vehicle if there is time.
- Park behind a natural barrier or structure.
- Do not park on the downhill side of a road or under power lines or over-hanging vegetation.
- Stay out of saddles or draws.
- Position the vehicle in a direction that provides the area occupied by crew personnel the maximum protection from an approaching flame front.
- Set the parking break, leave the motor running at high RPM, and keep the vehicle lights on.
- Roll up the windows and do not lock the doors since someone else might need to get in.
- Cover windows with fire shelters with reflective material placed against window.
- You must protect your airway, remain as low in the vehicle as possible, and use a dry bandana to cover your nose and mouth.
- Expect the following conditions if you are trapped inside the vehicle:
 - Temperatures may reach over 200 degrees Fahrenheit.
 - Smoke and sparks may enter the vehicle.
 - Plastic parts may start to melt and give off toxic gases.
 - Windows may start to crack.
 - Exposed skin may receive radiant heat burns.
- If the vehicle catches fire, or windows blow out, and you must exit the vehicle before the fire has passed, then:
 - Each crewmember should cover himself/herself with a fire shelter.
 - Exit the vehicle from the side away from the greatest heat.
 - Stay together and get as low to the ground as possible, moving away from the vehicle.
 - Deploy your shelter in a safe area.

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							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					25		25
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						50	50
Southern Area	FIRES	14		2		349	22	387
	ACRES	1,523		100		9,301	774	11,698
TOTAL	FIRES	14	0	2	1	350	25	392
	ACRES	1,523	0	100	25	9,301	824	11,773

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
Northern California	FIRES					64	8	72
	ACRES					1,530	1,244	2,774
Southern California	FIRES		4				12	16
	ACRES		10				498	508
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	10	10
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		10					10
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6		1			7
	ACRES		9		1			10
Southwest	FIRES	108	25	1	24	126	109	393
	ACRES	597	1,331	431	3,477	79,832	5,180	90,848
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	4	5	5	2	80	20	116
	ACRES	231	0	1,072	0	26,449	7,315	35,067
Eastern Area	FIRES			1	3	466	95	565
	ACRES			5	52	21,747	1,717	23,521
Southern Area	FIRES	256		65	11	9,846	241	10,419
	ACRES	14,007		10,863	1,405	373,828	8,263	408,366
TOTAL	FIRES	368	42	72	41	10,585	486	11,594
	ACRES	14,835	1,360	12,371	4,935	503,387	24,227	561,115

Five Year Average Fires	9,902
Five Year Average Acres	222,622

*** 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					2		2
	ACRES					15		15
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					1		1
	ACRES					15		15
Eastern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				102			102
Southern Area	FIRES			2	1		13	16
	ACRES			1,049	136		6,672	7,857
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	2	2	0	16	20
	ACRES	0	0	1,049	238	0	6,702	7,989

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		80	2			12	94
	ACRES		1,971	86			108	2,165
Northern California	FIRES	12	2	3	2		46	65
	ACRES	101	19	1,324	6		689	2,139
Southern California	FIRES		4	2			45	51
	ACRES		230	24			1,371	1,625
Northern Rockies	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		463					463
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	4				1	6
	ACRES	4	754				178	936
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1				2
	ACRES		10	10				20
Southwest	FIRES	7	2	2			33	44
	ACRES	318	35	320			5,923	6,596
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	2	2	22	4	12	52	94
	ACRES	160	50	5,072	52	324	5,297	10,955
Eastern Area	FIRES			15	3	60	51	129
	ACRES			824	1,152	11,709	15,384	29,069
Southern Area	FIRES			82	7	173	413	675
	ACRES			37,921	6,069	91,857	319,580	455,427
TOTAL	FIRES	22	96	129	16	245	653	1,161
	ACRES	583	3,532	45,581	7,279	103,890	348,530	509,395

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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										
Northern California				1						
Southern California										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	1		5		1		2			
Rocky Mountain				25						
Eastern Area									1	
Southern Area	6	45	34	153	10	6	3		252	283
Total	7	45	40	178	11	6	5	0	253	283

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