

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2006 0800 MST
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 110 new fires reported. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Florida, Kansas, Massachusetts, Nebraska, and South Dakota.

The National Interagency Fire Center has requested assistance from the Department of Defense for MAFFS air tanker support. Mission Commander Lieutenant Colonel Jeff Perryman, two MAFFS C-130 air tankers and support personnel from the 145th Tactical Airlift Wing based in Charlotte, North Carolina are providing support. The MAFFS are based in Albuquerque, New Mexico in support of the Southwest, Rocky Mountain and Southern Areas.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

WEST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hanneman) is in place in Granbury, TX. The Incident Command Post (ICP) is being relocated to Midland, 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. In addition, Type 2 Incident management Team (Hinds) is working in support of West Texas IA, located in Midland, TX and will be supporting extended attack fires in the zone. No new fires were reported. Rain has mitigated fire potential in some areas of the zone. Acres, structure losses and costs have been adjusted to represent cumulative fire activity for the response area.

OKLAHOMA FIRE RESPONSE, Oklahoma State. An Oklahoma State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Couch) is assigned in Shawnee, OK. A fast moving storm left 1-3 of snow across central and northern Oklahoma. The team is demobilizing today. Acres, structure losses and costs have been adjusted to represent cumulative ABC Miscellaneous fire activity statewide since January 1.

NO MAN S LAND, Ouachita National Forest. This fire is seven miles west of Black Springs, AR in hardwood litter and brush. The fire is being monitored.

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE | % CTN | EST CTN | TOTL PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC LOST | \$\$\$ CTD | ORIGIN OWN |
|------------------------|----|------|---------|-------|---------|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----------|------------|------------|
| WEST TEXAS IA | TX | TXS | 3,484 | NR | UNK | 352 | 0 | 16 | 9 | 0 | 6.5M | N/A |
| OKLAHOMA FIRE RESPONSE | OK | OKS | 117,686 | NR | UNK | 62 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 9.0M | ST |
| NO MAN S LAND | AR | OUF | 8,294 | 90 | UNK | 29 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NR | FS |

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Gusty winds and low humidity are on tap for Florida today in the wake of a cold front which moved through the state on Thursday. Warmer temperatures are expected in the Southwest as high pressure builds over the area.

| Geographic Area Weather | High Temperatures | Minimum Relative Humidity | Wind |
|--|--|--|---|
| Southwest Area Mostly sunny, warmer and drier across Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas. | 65 to 85 lower elevations of Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas. 45 to 65 in the mountains. | 10 to 25% lower elevations of Arizona, New Mexico and southwest Texas. 20 to 35%+ mountains, northeast New Mexico and northwest Texas. | South to southwest 10 to 20 mph across Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas |
| Southern California Area Partly cloudy | 50 to 65 mountains. 70 to 85 valleys. 65 to 75 upper deserts. 78 to 88 lower deserts. | 10 to 20%. | Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph. |
| Rocky Mountain Area No information was reported. | | | |
| Southern Area No information was reported. | | | |
| Eastern Area No information was reported. | | | |



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

DOWNHILL FIRELINE CONSTRUCTION CHECKLIST

Downhill fireline construction is hazardous in steep terrain, fast-burning fuels, or rapidly changing weather. Downhill fireline construction should not be attempted unless there is no tactical alternative. When building downhill fireline, the following is required:

Crew supervisor(s) and fireline overhead will discuss assignments prior to committing crew(s). Responsible overhead individual (TFLD or ICT4 qualified or better) will stay with job until completed.

Decision will be made after proposed fireline has been scouted by supervisor(s) of involved crew(s).

LCES will be coordinated for all personnel involved.

- Crew supervisor(s) is in direct contact with lookout who can see the fire.
- Communication is established between all crews.
- Ensure rapid access to safety zone(s) in case fire crosses below crew(s).

Direct attack will be used whenever possible; if not possible, the fireline should be completed between anchor points before being fired out.

Fireline will not lie in or adjacent to a chute or chimney.

Starting point will be anchored for crew(s) building fireline down from the top.

Bottom of the fire will be monitored; if the potential exists for the fire to spread, action will be taken to secure the fire edge.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|--------|--------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | | 7 | 7 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 10,592 | 10,592 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 6 | | 6 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | 11 | 1 | 12 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 70 | 1 | 71 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | 1 | | 85 | 2 | 88 |
| | ACRES | | | 25 | | 818 | 1 | 844 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 98 | 10 | 110 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 894 | 10,594 | 11,514 |

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 10 | | 2 | | 2 | | 14 |
| | ACRES | 6 | | 3 | | 1 | | 10 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | 64 | 8 | 72 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 1,530 | 1,244 | 2,774 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | 4 | | | | 23 | 27 |
| | ACRES | | 10 | | | | 11,095 | 11,105 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | 1 | | 1 | 4 | 4 | 10 |
| | ACRES | | 100 | | 223 | 28 | 14 | 365 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 0 | 2 | | | 1 | | 3 |
| | ACRES | 51 | 10 | | | 28 | | 89 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 7 | | 1 | | | 8 |
| | ACRES | | 9 | | 1 | | | 10 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 145 | 27 | 1 | 24 | 174 | 131 | 502 |
| | ACRES | 790 | 1,431 | 431 | 3,490 | 202,285 | 11,937 | 220,364 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 7 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 96 | 20 | 138 |
| | ACRES | 307 | 0 | 407 | 0 | 82,838 | 7,319 | 90,871 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 1 | | 1 | 6 | 2,468 | 126 | 2,602 |
| | ACRES | 1 | | 5 | 57 | 32,782 | 2,617 | 35,462 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 297 | | 94 | 12 | 14,343 | 359 | 15,105 |
| | ACRES | 21,639 | | 11,266 | 1,405 | 1,386,109 | 24,351 | 1,444,770 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 460 | 47 | 105 | 46 | 17,152 | 671 | 18,481 |
| | ACRES | 22,794 | 1,560 | 12,112 | 5,176 | 1,705,601 | 58,577 | 1,805,820 |

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| Five Year Average Fires | 11,284 |
| Five Year Average Acres | 250,780 |

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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 | | | 2 | | | 1 | 3 |
| | ACRES | | | 92 | | | 2 | 94 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 3 | 3 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| | ACRES | | 104 | | | 2 | 125 | 231 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 5 | 20 | 25 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | 1 | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 160 | | 160 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | 2 | | | 16 | 18 |
| | ACRES | | | 372 | | | 13,381 | 13,753 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 0 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 18 | 27 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 104 | 464 | 0 | 167 | 13,531 | 14,266 |

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northwest | FIRES | | 81 | 14 | | | 15 | 110 |
| | ACRES | | 1,978 | 530 | | | 113 | 2,621 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 12 | 3 | 3 | 2 | | 47 | 67 |
| | ACRES | 101 | 219 | 1,751 | 6 | | 704 | 2,781 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | 4 | 2 | | | 47 | 53 |
| | ACRES | | 284 | 24 | | | 1,403 | 1,711 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | 3 | | | | | 3 |
| | ACRES | | 598 | | | | | 598 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 1 | 6 | | | 1 | 2 | 10 |
| | ACRES | 4 | 858 | | | 2 | 303 | 1,167 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | 10 | 10 | | | | 20 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 12 | 2 | 2 | | | 55 | 71 |
| | ACRES | 534 | 35 | 320 | | | 6,848 | 7,737 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 3 | 4 | 23 | 5 | 13 | 59 | 107 |
| | ACRES | 629 | 110 | 6,082 | 74 | 370 | 5,932 | 13,197 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | 17 | 6 | 175 | 59 | 257 |
| | ACRES | | | 1,214 | 1,697 | 18,397 | 17,375 | 38,683 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | 94 | 9 | 187 | 520 | 810 |
| | ACRES | | | 42,186 | 6,125 | 97,690 | 407,912 | 553,913 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 28 | 104 | 156 | 22 | 376 | 804 | 1,490 |
| | ACRES | 1,268 | 4,092 | 52,117 | 7,902 | 116,459 | 440,590 | 622,428 |

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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:

| 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 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Southern California | | | | | | | | | | |
| Northern Rockies | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eastern Great Basin | | | | | | | | | | |
| Western Great Basin | | | | | | | | | | |
| Southwest | | | 3 | | | | | | 3 | |
| Rocky Mountain | | | | | | | | | | |
| Eastern Area | | | | | | | | | 1 | |
| Southern Area | 2 | | 34 | 36 | 4 | 11 | 3 | | 266 | 211 |
| Total | 2 | 0 | 37 | 36 | 4 | 11 | 3 | 0 | 270 | 211 |

COMMITTED RESOURCES:

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