

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, May 18, 2008 – 0800 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (109 new fires)

New large fires: 1 (*)

Large fires contained: 1

Uncontained large fires: 8

Area Command Teams committed: 0

NIMOs committed: 0

Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Fire Use Teams committed: 0

** Uncontained large fires does not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 13

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 5

Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Mustang Corner, Everglades NP. IMT 1 (Quesinberry). Fifteen miles southwest of Kendall, FL. Grass. Wind-driven fire behavior with spotting.

Brevard Complex (6 fires), Florida DOF. Florida IMT 2 (Beauchamp). Brevard County, FL. Southern rough. Moderate activity within interior and smoldering. Numerous residences threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Myakka Cut, Florida DOF. Five miles north of Clewiston, FL. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened.

Mud Swamp New River, National Forests in Florida. Five miles northeast of Sumatra, FL. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity.

LPGA, Florida DOF. Six miles west of Daytona Beach, FL. Southern rough. No further information received.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Mustang Corner	FL	EVP	21,436	2,936	20	UNK	177	160	2	14	8	0	100K	NPS
Brevard Complex	FL	FLS	12,505	-5	75	5/20	268	50	0	60	3	22	998K	ST
Myakka Cut	FL	FLS	19,000	0	50	UNK	7	-1	0	3	0	0	4K	ST
Mud Swamp New River	FL	FNF	1,338	0	80	5/20	60	0	0	3	4	0	908K	FS

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LPGA	FL	FLS	797	0	95	UNK	23	0	0	5	0	0	NR	ST

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 36
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Bighorn, Angeles NF. IMT 2 (Joseph). Eleven miles north of Claremont, CA. Brush. Minimal fire activity.

Incident Name	St	Unit	Size	Size Chge 24 Hrs	% CTN	Est Ctn	Totl Pers	Pers Chge 24 Hrs	Crw	Eng	Heli	Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
Bighorn	CA	ANF	490	29	86	5/18	324	-64	9	0	5	0	2.2M	FS
Honey Bee - WFU	CA	INF	1,150	65	N/A	N/A	57	0	3	0	1	0	NR	FS

INF – Inyo NF

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 32
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Red Lake 159, Red Lake Agency, BIA. Twenty-five miles northwest of Red Lake, MN. Grass. No further information received. Residences threatened.

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* Red Lake 159	MN	RLA	1,200	---	50	UNK	10	---	0	3	2	0	NR	BIA

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 2
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Ferguson, Fremont County. Started on private land thirty-two miles northwest of Pueblo, CO. Timber and brush. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

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Ferguson	CO	FRX	177	---	98	UNK	110	---	3	8	1	3	269K	PRI

Northern California Area (PL 2)

New fires:	18
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0

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Geysers	CA	LNU	288	-112	100	---	106	-365	4	5	0	0	NR	ST

LNU - Sonoma-Lake Napa Unit, CAL FIRE

Predictive Services Discussion: Hot and dry across California and Arizona, with near record high temperatures in southern California. Significantly drier and warmer across New Mexico and Texas. Chances for showers and thunderstorm will increase across the southern Appalachians along a southward moving cold front. A slight chance for showers and thunderstorms will continue for the northern half of Florida.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



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			1		3		4
	ACRES			5		0		5
Northwest	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIREs					13	5	18
	ACRES					5	3	8
Southern California	FIREs					33	3	36
	ACRES					62	41	103
Northern Rockies	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Western Great Basin	FIREs							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIREs	1					2	3
	ACRES	0					1	1
Rocky Mountain	FIREs					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIREs	12				15	5	32
	ACRES	1,230				464	5	1,699
Southern Area	FIREs					12	1	13
	ACRES					49	1	50
TOTAL	FIREs	13	1	1	0	77	17	109
	ACRES	1,230	0	5	0	580	51	1,866

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs		1	1		95		97
	ACRES		206	5		149		360
Northwest	FIREs	21	18	4		51	22	116
	ACRES	138	7	1,398		188	15	1,746
Northern California	FIREs	3	4		5	191	71	274
	ACRES	16	1		12	3,979	38	4,046
Southern California	FIREs	8	22	2	1	838	84	955
	ACRES	0	87	0	0	1,602	1,546	3,235
Northern Rockies	FIREs	355	3	9		65	34	466
	ACRES	7,430	113	4,510		12,898	272	25,223
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	3	13	1	3	18	4	42
	ACRES	266	41	492	5	4,035	2	4,841
Western Great Basin	FIREs	3	22		5	13	6	49
	ACRES	8	19		1	1,844	0	1,872
Southwest	FIREs	204	77	3	30	390	171	875
	ACRES	7,143	11,970	24	601	216,000	28,849	264,587
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	107	8	17	1	162	16	311
	ACRES	727	302	1,921	0	58,965	3	61,918
Eastern Area	FIREs	232		6	8	5,284	138	5,668
	ACRES	1,687		233	205	37,370	591	40,086
Southern Area	FIREs	779		151	24	12,538	302	13,794
	ACRES	52,259		11,512	435	915,622	23,623	1,003,451
TOTAL	FIREs	1,715	168	194	77	19,645	848	22,647
	ACRES	69,674	12,746	20,095	1,259	1,252,652	54,939	1,411,365

Ten Year Average Fires	29,828
Ten Year Average Acres	874,351

*** 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	0
	ACRES						275	275
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		2	3
	ACRES				91		946	1,037
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		364					364
Eastern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			584				584
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	1	1	0	2	6
	ACRES	0	364	584	91	0	1,221	2,260

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs		1			8		9
	ACRES		350			1,910		2,260
Northwest	FIREs	8	29	2	1		79	119
	ACRES	2,512	3,230	1,600	0		16,851	24,193
Northern California	FIREs	25	14	9	7	1	93	149
	ACRES	415	113	17,256	56	342	6,031	24,213
Southern California	FIREs		3	2	3	1	124	133
	ACRES		118	137	1,076	11	4,395	5,737
Northern Rockies	FIREs	3	20	46	4	3	103	179
	ACRES	156	2,573	13,493	219	117	10,988	27,546
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	2	15	5	6	8	36	72
	ACRES	170	2,198	346	595	809	7,353	11,471
Western Great Basin	FIREs		1	1	20		1	23
	ACRES		30	5	0		225	260
Southwest	FIREs	19	51	1	10		109	190
	ACRES	2,820	8,379	280	1,120		37,538	50,137
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	19	26	60	14	21	108	248
	ACRES	2,297	2,144	8,707	4,434	3,860	33,239	54,681
Eastern Area	FIREs	37		351	13	960	83	1,444
	ACRES	29,974		47,744	829	45,438	10,904	134,889
Southern Area	FIREs	26		97	71	317	846	1,357
	ACRES	15,153		54,370	57,568	191,789	859,158	1,178,038
TOTAL	FIREs	139	160	574	149	1,319	1,582	3,923
	ACRES	53,497	19,135	143,938	65,897	244,276	986,682	1,513,425

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WFU Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIREs							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIREs							0
Northwest	ACRES							0
	FIREs							0
Northern California	ACRES							0
	FIREs							0
Southern California	ACRES						1	1
	FIREs						0	0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
	FIREs							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
	FIREs							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES							0
	FIREs						1	1
Southwest	ACRES						900	900
	FIREs	1						1
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	128						128
	FIREs		2					2
Eastern Area	ACRES		1					1
	FIREs						1	1
Southern Area	ACRES						70	70
	FIREs	1	0	2	0	0	3	6
TOTAL	ACRES	128	0	1	0	0	970	1,099

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	310	0	317	827
Yukon Territory	0	0	9	5
Alberta	16	977	307	1,908
Northwest Territory	0	0	4	5
Saskatchewan	15	22	85	1,298
Manitoba	16	317	74	3,588
Ontario	4	2	59	78
Quebec	3	0	73	93
Newfoundland	3	0	29	85
New Brunswick	7	2	64	58
Nova Scotia	0	0	141	260
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	0	9	1
Total	375	1,320	1,171	8,205

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