

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, February 27, 2009 – 0800 MST
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)

Initial attack activity:	Light (1,051 new fires)
New large fires:	31 (*)
Large fires contained:	22
Uncontained large fires:	13
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1
Fire Use Teams committed:	0

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

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

The U.S. has mobilized two Burned Area Emergency Response teams, one 20-person suppression crew and 15 fire specialists and managers to Australia.

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:	999
New large fires:	27
Uncontained large fires:	13
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

2009 Winter Initial Attack, Texas Forest Service. Texas IMT 2 (Bennett). IMT is supporting multiple fires in west Texas. Acres reported are a cumulative total.

West Fork, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land three miles south of Shannon, TX. Brush. Minimal fire activity.

40 Acre Turnaround, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles southeast of Hartshorne, OK. Timber. No further information received.

Kiowa One, Oklahoma DOF. Nine miles northwest of Kiowa, OK. Grass. No further information received.

Rub Board #2, Oklahoma DOF. Four miles south of Sulphur, OK. Hardwood and grass. No further information received.

Clyde, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land four miles northeast of Clyde, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Mountain Home C24, Texas Forest Service. Thirty-eight miles east of Fredericksburg, TX. Brush and grass. No further information received.

Coke Ranch, Oklahoma DOF. Seven miles northeast of Daisey, OK. Grass. No further information received.

Ballinger, Texas Forest Service. Five miles northeast of Ballinger, TX. Brush and grass. Smoldering.

Chickasaw Trail, Oklahoma DOF. Four miles south of Sulphur, OK. Hardwood and grass. No further information received. No new information.

Guard Rail, Florida DOF. Eight miles east of Christmas, FL. Grass. No further information received. No new information.

Nail Ranch Complex, Texas Forest Service. Thirty-three miles northeast of Abilene, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

Panther Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Twenty-seven miles southeast of Brady, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

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
2009 Winter Initial Attack	TX	TXS	4,644	---	NR	UNK	263	---	0	16	4	2	5.2M	ST
* West Fork	TX	TXS	2,275	---	80	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* 40 Acre Turnaround	OK	OKS	1,536	---	85	UNK	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Kiowa One	OK	OKS	1,000	---	85	UNK	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Rub Board #2	OK	OKS	800	---	60	UNK	2	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Clyde	TX	TXS	700	---	85	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	10	NR	PRI
Mountain Home C24	TX	TXS	680	---	20	UNK	8	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Coke Ranch	OK	OKS	600	---	65	UNK	16	---	0	4	0	0	NR	ST
* Ballinger	TX	TXS	500	---	85	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Chickasaw Trail	OK	OKS	400	---	60	UNK	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Guard Rail	FL	FLS	327	---	80	UNK	3	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Nail Ranch Complex	TX	TXS	304	---	20	UNK	10	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Panther Ranch	TX	TXS	300	---	0	UNK	6	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* 2 Pounds of Bologna	OK	OKS	4,000	---	100	---	86	---	0	43	0	0	NR	ST
* Unreachable	FL	FLS	1,865	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Breadtown Creek	OK	OKS	1,600	---	100	---	1	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Stillman S14	TX	TXS	1,500	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Half Bank	OK	OKS	1,200	---	100	---	1	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Rhodes Ranch	TX	TXS	1,000	---	100	---	19	---	0	1	1	0	NR	ST
Miller	TX	TXS	1,000	0	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	1	NR	PRI
* Hoot Owl	OK	OKS	690	---	100	---	8	---	0	4	0	0	NR	ST
* Beulah Woods	TX	TXS	535	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	2	NR	PRI
Boston Pool	OK	OSA	450	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BIA

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
* Gray Squirrel Hollow	OK	OKS	420	---	100	---	9	---	0	6	0	0	NR	ST
* Cole Creek	OK	OKS	350	---	100	---	24	---	0	14	0	1	NR	ST
* Powdermill	OK	OKS	300	---	100	---	12	---	0	6	0	0	NR	ST
* No Bologna	OK	OKS	300	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Harris Lake	NC	NCS	300	---	100	---	3	---	0	2	0	0	1.5K	ST
* Rub Board	OK	OKS	300	---	100	---	21	---	0	9	0	0	NR	ST
* Watts Mistake	OK	OKS	180	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Coffee Mountain	OK	OKS	140	---	100	---	2	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

OSA – Osage Agency, BIA NCS – North Carolina DOF

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 4
New large fires: 2
Uncontained large fires: 0

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
* MA-Kilo	KS	DOD	2,490	---	100	---	11	---	0	5	0	0	3.5K	DOD
* 230 And Homestead	KS	KSX	650	---	100	---	50	---	0	14	0	0	11.5K	CNTY

DOD – Dept. of Defense KSX – Kansas Counties

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 47
New large fires: 2
Uncontained large fires: 0

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
* 571 Road	MO	MOS	201	---	100	---	9	---	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
* State Road NN	MO	MOS	113	---	100	---	13	---	0	3	0	0	NR	PRI

MOS – Missouri Department of Conservation

Predictive Services Discussion: Parts of central and eastern New Mexico along with portions of west Texas and Oklahoma will be dry and breezy with low humidity on Friday ahead of a cold frontal passage early Saturday. Breezy to windy and rather dry conditions are expected in the wake of the cold front across parts of east-central and south-central Texas on Saturday. Breezy and dry conditions with low humidity will arrive again to parts of eastern New Mexico and west Texas Monday and Tuesday, but will strengthen in the wake of a disturbance moving to the northeast later Wednesday and into Thursday. Another weather disturbance is expected to drop from the Great Basin into the Four Corners region leading to another round of breezy to windy and dry weather on Friday across central and eastern New Mexico into the Plains of Texas and Oklahoma. Cooler temperatures through the next seven days, along with areas of precipitation over the coming weekend will likely aid in preventing any significant fire weather issues across much of the southeastern U.S. over the next week.

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



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

Proper Use of Trigger Points

Accurate situational awareness (SA) requires constant reassessment of conditions (existing or potential) that may impact the safety and effectiveness of firefighters. Keeping an eye out for the 18-Watchout Situations and establishing operational / environmental limits ("trigger points") ahead of time can help to focus SA, prompt reassessment, and help you re-evaluate the risk of current actions. The following items are things to consider in your planning and discussion. Remember, trigger points are NOT decision makers, but serve as predetermined cues to prompt you to re-evaluate the situation and associated risks, and help you to determine and implement the proper course of action.

- Preplan! Don't wait until you're in the wrong place at the wrong time---with no time.
- Trigger points should be based on measurable factors such as:
 - RH
 - Winds
 - Fire Behavior
 - Topographical boundaries
 - Time constraints/Time of day
 - Time/distance to safety zones
 - Loss of support resources (airtankers, helicopters, etc.)
 - Other operational considerations (e.g., firefighter fatigue, loss of lookouts or communication, etc.)
- As you approach predetermined trigger points, go through the Risk Management Process to help you decide if a change in tactics is appropriate. (See the Incident Response Pocket Guide)
 - Gather information to assure good Situational Awareness
 - Assess hazards to anticipate serious risks
 - Establish hazard controls to mitigate serious risks
 - Make decisions based on your ability to mitigate those serious risks
 - Evaluate effectiveness of current actions
- Command/Leadership responsibilities when changing tactics
 - Communicate the changes to your subordinates, as well as to adjacent forces and up the chain of command
 - Account for all your people
 - Make sure everyone knows and follows the new plan

Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					1		1
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	2				2		4
	ACRES	50				101		151
Eastern Area	FIRES					45	2	47
	ACRES					1,230	35	1,265
Southern Area	FIRES				1	980	18	999
	ACRES				2	13,361	249	13,612
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	0	1	1,028	20	1,051
	ACRES	50	0	0	2	14,693	284	15,029

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						1	1
Northern California	FIRES					65	1	66
	ACRES					245	0	245
Southern California	FIRES					118	7	125
	ACRES					995	0	995
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	3			1		7
	ACRES	0	14,490			0		14,490
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			1	1	3
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		0			6		6
Southwest	FIRES	23	6	1		43	18	91
	ACRES	25	103	0		4,993	65	5,186
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	26		0		42	5	73
	ACRES	522		23		15,597	112	16,254
Eastern Area	FIRES			1		270	49	320
	ACRES			0		6,078	1,386	7,464
Southern Area	FIRES	147		64	15	6,921	139	7,286
	ACRES	4,515		3,639	2,294	119,754	2,754	132,956
TOTAL	FIRES	199	11	66	15	7,462	223	7,976
	ACRES	5,062	14,593	3,662	2,294	147,668	4,318	177,597

Seven Year Average Fires	5,596
Seven Year Average Acres	139,797

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		4					4
	ACRES		148					148
Northern California	FIRES	1	2	1	0	1	3	8
	ACRES	15	6	35	28	2	77	163
Southern California	FIRES		3				4	7
	ACRES		72				10	82
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		6			3		9
	ACRES		268			10		278
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						248	248
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1		1		0	3	5
	ACRES	0		0		6	532	538
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					15		15
Southern Area	FIRES			15	3	49	44	111
	ACRES			3,104	7,711	15,251	32,852	58,918
TOTAL	FIRES	2	15	17	3	54	55	146
	ACRES	15	494	3,139	7,739	15,284	33,719	60,390

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		61				8	69
	ACRES		2,407				277	2,684
Northern California	FIRES	13	20	3	12	4	95	147
	ACRES	156	148	451	75	1,155	3,130	5,115
Southern California	FIRES		6				103	109
	ACRES		165				7,243	7,408
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	1				1	4
	ACRES	86	10				102	198
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		15		2	9	8	34
	ACRES		702		55	32	328	1,117
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1			4	6
	ACRES		30	0			144	174
Southwest	FIRES	2	2		1		71	76
	ACRES	40	3,600		179		6,999	10,818
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	15	7	19	2	5	56	104
	ACRES	769	54	2,624	21	113	7,273	10,854
Eastern Area	FIRES			4		69	12	85
	ACRES			94		10,901	3,085	14,080
Southern Area	FIRES	1		135	35	358	475	1,004
	ACRES	10		84,584	36,863	100,930	446,311	668,698
TOTAL	FIRES	33	113	162	52	445	833	1,638
	ACRES	1,061	7,116	87,753	37,193	113,131	474,892	721,146

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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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