

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, June 24, 2010 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (124 new fires)
New large fires:	2 (*)
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	11
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	6

Nationally, there are 38 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

** Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy. **

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

Department of Interior personnel are assigned to several locations in the Gulf of Mexico to assess and mitigate impacts resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

- A total of 499 personnel are assigned to the Fish and Wildlife Service at Delta, Breton and Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuges, as well as Houma, LA and Mobile, AL.

- A total of 88 National Park Service personnel are assigned to Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jean Lafitte Park and Preserve, Everglades National Park, Dry Tortugas, Biscayne National Park, De Soto National Memorial and Big Cypress National Preserve.

Southwest Area (PL 4)

New fires:	17
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	8
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

Schultz, Coconino NF. IMT1 (Hughes). Four miles north of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire activity. Evacuation orders lifted.

South Fork, Santa Fe NF. IMT 2 (Templin). Twenty miles west of Espanola, NM. Timber. Very active fire behavior with upslope runs, spotting and torching. Municipal watershed and electronic sites threatened.

Paradise, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. IMT 2 (Small). Limited perimeter control incident. Sixteen miles southeast of Alpine, AZ. Timber. Upslope crown runs with short-range spotting. Road closure in effect.

Horseshoe, Coronado NF. IMT 2 (Cook). Five miles south of Portal, AZ. Timber. Smoldering and isolated interior burning.

* **Dead Man**, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Thirty miles west of Roswell, NM. Grass. Active fire behavior.

Eagle Rock, Kaibab NF. Eleven miles northeast of Williams, AZ. Timber. Smoldering.

Tecolote, Santa Fe NF. Fifteen miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Timber. Creeping and smoldering.

Aspen, Gila NF. Twenty-six miles northwest of San Lorenzo, NM. Timber. Moderate fire activity.

Hardy, Flagstaff District, Arizona Dept. of Lands. Transfer of command from IMT 2 (Hall) back to local unit will occur today. Two miles southeast of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber. Interior smoldering. Structures threatened.

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
Schultz	AZ	COF	14,300	300	25	7/2	961	14	23	56	7	0	3.0M	FS
South Fork	NM	SNF	14,816	506	45	7/7	399	-46	8	12	3	0	6.5M	FS
Paradise	AZ	ASF	5,340	1,010	N/A	N/A	325	91	6	14	5	0	694K	FS
Horseshoe	AZ	CNF	3,401	0	25	7/10	124	-19	2	2	3	0	9.3M	FS
* Dead Man	NM	N5S	300	---	0	---	29	---	0	3	0	0	80K	ST
Eagle Rock	AZ	KNF	3,420	0	90	6/25	270	-49	4	9	1	0	3.5M	FS
Tecolote	NM	SNF	812	0	75	UNK	111	0	4	3	1	0	5.4M	FS
Aspen	NM	GNF	3,400	100	80	UNK	43	-8	1	1	0	0	NR	FS
Hardy	AZ	A2S	282	0	90	6/26	47	-169	2	4	0	0	815K	ST
* Number 5	NM	MEA	491	---	100	---	34	---	0	7	1	0	60K	BIA
Long Canyon	NM	LCD	2,582	1,242	100	---	79	-92	2	1	4	0	812K	BLM

MEA – Mescalero Agency, BIA

LCD – Las Cruces District, BLM

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

New fires: 3

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 1

Type 2 IMTs committed: 2

Parkdale Canyon, Pueblo County. IMT2 (Pechota). Seven miles northwest of Canon City, CO. Pinyon pine, juniper and brush. Backing fire with isolated torching. Structures and power lines threatened. Evacuation orders lifted.

Medano, Great Sand Dunes Monument, NPS. IMT 2 (Hahnenberg). Confine/contain incident. Nineteen miles southeast of Crestone, CO. Timber and brush. Short duration crown runs and spotting.

Water Creek, Glenwood Springs Field Office, BLM. Confine/contain incident. Eight miles northwest of Rifle, CO. Dead and down timber. No further information received.

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Parkdale Canyon	CO	PBX	732	32	65	6/25	217	42	8	11	2	4	610K	CNTY
Medano	CO	GSP	4,891	119	N/A	N/A	235	19	8	8	3	0	1.1M	NPS
Water Creek	CO	GWD	117	8	N/A	N/A	138	0	3	1	0	0	100K	BLM

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 20
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Fine, Fresno-Kings Unit, Cal Fire. Five miles northeast of Friant, CA. Mixed oak, pine and grass. Minimal fire activity. Road closure in effect.

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
Fine	CA	FKU	275	25	75	UNK	162	-45	4	10	1	0	175K	ST

Alaska Area (PL 2)

New fires: 9
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Sheklukshuk Range, Galena Zone, Alaska Fire Service. Twenty miles south of Ambler, AK. Tundra and brush. 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
Sheklukshuk Range	AK	GAD	400	0	0	UNK	8	0	0	0	0	0	11K	BLM

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 46
 New large fires: 0
 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
Fathers Day	TX	TXS	4,300	0	100	---	6	-33	0	2	0	0	NR	ST

TXS – Texas Forest Service

Predictive Services Discussion: Significant fire potential is forecast for southeast Arizona and western New Mexico due to possible dry thunderstorms and for western Colorado for dry and windy conditions. Winds will increase today across the southwest quarter of the country, ahead of a low pressure system moving inland. Alaska will continue to see warm and dry conditions with isolated dry thunderstorms possible across the interior. Hawaii will see dry and gusty winds along the leeward side of the islands.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Miscellaneous Category.**

Wildfires in/near Oil and Gas Fields

As energy production increases across the country, many firefighters are responding to an increasing number of wildland fires in areas with oil and gas production, exploration, and development. As with any wildland fire operation, firefighters must maintain situational awareness at all times; however, areas of oil and gas production create an environment where firefighters may not be cognizant of potential hazards that could be encountered in these areas. First and foremost - Only engage the wildland fire when it is safe to do so and recognizing hazards in the oil field should be a part of the incident size up prior to engagement/suppression action.

- Driving hazards are amplified by narrow one lane roads and high amounts of large truck traffic. Roads often are dead-ended.
- Well sites and other facilities with flammable and/or hazardous materials in tanks, pits or other containers.
- Pipelines are common with some on the surface or buried just below the surface. *This is a watchout situation for dozers, engines and other equipment.*
- Poisonous gases including hydrogen sulfide (H₂S).
- Use and storage of explosives is common in oil fields. These explosives may be detonated using two-way radio frequencies. Two-way radio use is not allowed within 500 feet of these areas.
- Untrained and unequipped personnel may be trying to suppress the fire. Often this is done with heavy equipment.
- Construction of raised pads could contain buried woody material. This material can be ignited and burn underground.
- Failures of production facility valves, gauges and fittings may result in leaks, fire, explosions, hazardous material spills and toxic vapors.
- Vents on oil and gas infrastructures often release pressure. The gases vented may be highly flammable and have the potential to ignite if a flame is nearby. Stay clear of these areas if "venting" is encountered.
- Hazard Mitigations As with any wildland fire operation; risk management, safety guidelines and practices should be implemented (e.g., LCES, Fire Orders) prior to and during wildland fire operations. Additional mitigation measures should be considered for suppression efforts in or near oil and gas production:
- Identify hazards – agency resource advisors/oil and gas specialists can be of great assistance.
- Ensure oil and gas operators in that area have been contacted - utilize dispatch to make contacts if necessary.
- Firefighters should limit their time near oil and gas infrastructures.
- Firefighters should never manipulate any valves, fittings, etc. in any way.

References:

http://gacc.nifc.gov/rmcc/dispatch_centers/r2drc/Handbook_Oil_&Gas_Well.pdf
http://www.nifc.gov/wfstar/oil_gas.htm

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		3	3		3		9
	ACRES		480	160		501		1,141
Northwest	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					1	0	1
Northern California	FIRES					22		22
	ACRES					309		309
Southern California	FIRES	1				19		20
	ACRES	30				967		997
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		9					9
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	5	2		1	5	4	17
	ACRES	24	1,444		5	3,132	1,737	6,342
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			1	1	3
	ACRES		1			0	0	1
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					3		3
Southern Area	FIRES	3		1		42		46
	ACRES	28		1		203		232
TOTAL	FIRES	9	8	4	1	95	7	124
	ACRES	82	1,934	161	5	5,116	1,737	9,035

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		46	40	6	304	10	406
	ACRES		238,207	25,732	22,389	567,898	8	854,234
Northwest	FIRES	16	17			70	52	155
	ACRES	204	71			122	49	446
Northern California	FIRES	3	3			664	60	730
	ACRES	1	0			9,660	13	9,674
Southern California	FIRES	8	59	3	2	884	137	1,093
	ACRES	32	5,063	14	2	10,135	269	15,515
Northern Rockies	FIRES	301	4	0	1	89	68	463
	ACRES	2,477	17	760	0	707	149	4,110
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	9	51	2	2	119	20	203
	ACRES	15	3,370	1	0	610	24	4,020
Western Great Basin	FIRES		32	1	3	16	4	56
	ACRES		21	15	0	47	1	84
Southwest	FIRES	304	123	4	41	256	374	1,102
	ACRES	2,750	13,741	33	29,176	33,316	56,407	135,423
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	164	75	3	9	117	92	460
	ACRES	2,312	784	3,051	5,000	11,422	2,260	24,829
Eastern Area	FIRES	614		19	19	7,349	448	8,449
	ACRES	2,707		3,920	26	73,012	4,285	83,950
Southern Area	FIRES	508		44	21	14,475	416	15,464
	ACRES	32,252		1,578	137	200,957	17,413	252,337
TOTAL	FIRES	1,927	410	116	104	24,343	1,681	28,581
	ACRES	42,750	261,274	35,104	56,730	907,886	80,878	1,384,622

Ten Year Average Fires	37,940
Ten Year Average Acres	1,593,035

*** 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	5	7
	ACRES					830	47	877
Southern California	FIRES		0		0		0	0
	ACRES		350		5		1	356
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					0
	ACRES		150					150
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				1		2	3
	ACRES				700		1,651	2,351
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	1	2	7	10
	ACRES	0	500	0	705	830	1,699	3,734

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					11		11
	ACRES					21,497		21,497
Northwest	FIRES	6	54	6	1		108	175
	ACRES	2,582	8,532	1,867	11		17,297	30,289
Northern California	FIRES	1	20	19	19	12	229	300
	ACRES	10	347	22,092	34	1,587	9,334	33,404
Southern California	FIRES		9	10	2	15	218	254
	ACRES		1,612	1,493	84	1,434	2,343	6,966
Northern Rockies	FIRES	72	23	99	8	25	158	385
	ACRES	2,325	3,873	25,262	1,240	920	17,246	50,866
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		17	6	4	26	43	96
	ACRES		1,709	2,745	505	1,384	10,185	16,528
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2	1		6	12
	ACRES		68	1,395	83		238	1,784
Southwest	FIRES	27	16	10	2		88	143
	ACRES	1,575	16,094	8,870	50		41,732	68,321
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	38	56	113	18	49	135	409
	ACRES	5,749	6,515	25,028	2,484	6,300	19,528	65,604
Eastern Area	FIRES	47		256	24	1,348	159	1,834
	ACRES	62,783		36,898	5,511	83,158	57,783	246,133
Southern Area	FIRES	15		179	68	8,782	1,121	10,165
	ACRES	2,705		73,108	69,648	258,751	1,111,502	1,515,714
TOTAL	FIRES	206	198	700	147	10,268	2,265	13,784
	ACRES	77,729	38,750	198,758	79,650	375,031	1,287,188	2,057,106

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Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <http://gacc.nifc.gov/>.

Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	162	1,089	311	9,863
Yukon Territory	0	0	55	150,995
Alberta	368	687	969	27,173
Northwest Territory	0	0	82	98,518
Saskatchewan	65	1,808	274	331,178
Manitoba	106	3,993	239	39,823
Ontario	248	903	619	12,436
Quebec	130	84	489	301,240
Newfoundland	8	23	25	788
New Brunswick	63	84	109	109
Nova Scotia	171	415	256	469
Prince Edward Island	0	0	2	5
National Parks	12	11	37	736
Total	1,333	9,098	3,467	973,333

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