

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Sunday, April 24, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (56 new fires)
New large fires:	2 (*)
Large fires contained:	1
Uncontained large fires: **	13
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Nationally, there is 1 large fire 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.

The 145th Airlift Wing, Charlotte, NC and the 153rd Air Wing, Cheyenne, WY are providing one MAFFS C-130 aircraft each, along with two from the 146th Air Wing, Channel Islands, CA, and support personnel to the state of Texas. The aircraft and personnel are based at Dyess Air Force Base under the command of Colonel Jack Pittman.

Southern Area (PL 4)

New fires:	30
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	12
Type 1 IMT committed	2
Type 2 IMT committed	2

IMT 1 (Quesinberry) is assigned to manage large fires and provide support to initial attack operations for the West Branch Operational Area in Texas. Texas State IMT 2 (Hannemann) is managing existing and new fires located in Texas state initial attack zones. Florida IMT 2 (Graham) is managing existing and new fires for the East Branch Operational Area in Texas.

PK Complex (4 fires), Texas Forest Service. IMT 1 (Wilder). Sixteen miles northeast of Breckenridge, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Numerous communities threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Rock House, Texas Forest Service. Fort Davis, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Wildcat, Texas Forest Service. Nineteen miles southwest of Bronte, TX. Grass. Minimal fire activity. Numerous residences threatened.

Pipeline, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles northeast of Kountze, TX. Pine plantation. No further information received.

* **Springer**, Texas Forest Service. Two miles southeast of Memphis, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior.

* **Childress**, Texas Forest Service. Seventeen miles southwest of Ozona, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior.

Ranger, National Forests in Florida. Five miles southwest of Crawfordville, FL. Southern rough. Minimal fire activity.

U-Pick, Florida DOF. Eight miles northwest of Indiantown, FL. Southern rough. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Hungryland, Florida DOF. Fourteen miles west of Jupiter, FL. Grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is 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
PK Complex	TX	TXS	126,734	-21,239	50	4/30	463	0	6	47	5	291	2.9M	ST
Rock House	TX	TXS	207,660	3,095	75	UNK	361	67	9	20	0	40	2.6M	ST
Wildcat	TX	TXS	159,308	0	75	UNK	241	81	4	13	0	2	2.9M	ST
Pipeline	TX	TXS	7,100	9	85	4/24	47	-6	2	0	1	0	NR	PRI
* Springer	TX	TXS	665	---	90	UNK	18	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Childress	TX	TXS	600	---	75	UNK	26	---	1	1	0	0	3K	ST
Ranger	FL	FNF	130	0	90	4/24	3	-14	0	1	0	0	10K	FS
U-Pick	FL	FLS	715	---	90	UNK	42	---	0	6	2	0	NR	ST
Hungryland	FL	FLS	650	---	75	UNK	16	---	0	2	2	0	NR	ST
Bad Gate	TX	TXS	400	0	100	---	7	-7	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 1

Abrams, Las Cruces Field Office, BLM. Six miles south of White Sands, NM. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Active fire behavior with torching.

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Abrams	NM	LCD	2,500	1,300	60	4/29	73	-4	2	6	2	0	85K	BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: Critical fire weather conditions due to relative humidity below 15 percent and gusty winds 20 to 30 mph will return to southern New Mexico and far west Texas. Showers and thunderstorms will develop again along a stationary front from the mid-Atlantic Coast to north Texas. Some thunderstorms across north Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas could be very strong. Scattered rain and snow showers will continue to dot the intermountain region from Colorado to the Pacific Northwest.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.

IN COUNTRY NOT SEEN IN DAYLIGHT

Often firefighters arrive on a fire after dark. This is recognized as Watchout Situation #2. Before safely fighting fire in country not seen in daylight, firefighters must be able to answer the following questions:

- Can the resources you are replacing give you a thorough briefing? Identify whom you might get information from. Can you meet up with the departing overhead/resource leaders?
- Can you observe the area/use scouts? List ways you could observe the area you need to work.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been thoroughly scouted and marked for night use? Talk about what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone; who would identify them; and in what ways might they be marked.
- Have potential dangers been located; can they be mitigated? What are the dangers associated with Watchout Situation #2? How can they be worked around?
- Reduce the risks by:
 - Posting lookouts.
 - Checking communications.
 - Retreat if you have doubts about your escape routes or safety zones or the situation becomes too complex. Give examples of arriving on a fire after dark and what was done to allow you to fight fire safely in country not seen in daylight.
 - Identifying prominent geographic features

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					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			3		4
	ACRES		0			4		4
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					21		21
	ACRES					21		21
Southern Area	FIRES					30		30
	ACRES					1,175		1,175
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	0	54	0	56
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,200	0	1,200

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			27		28
	ACRES		0			13		13
Northwest	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					22		22
Northern California	FIRES				3		14	17
	ACRES				2,076		3	2,079
Southern California	FIRES		16			197	10	223
	ACRES		25			957	2	984
Northern Rockies	FIRES	13		1		10		24
	ACRES	24		6		17		47
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11			11	2	24
	ACRES		5			2	0	7
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	17		3	4		25
	ACRES	10	1		0	95		106
Southwest	FIRES	228	63	6	7	251	97	652
	ACRES	1,280	8,223	147	111	203,768	28,587	242,116
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	115	8	13	1	140	27	304
	ACRES	2,181	14	1,350	2,269	121,757	3,106	130,677
Eastern Area	FIRES	89		8	12	1,593	145	1,847
	ACRES	66		81	70	16,169	14,004	30,390
Southern Area	FIRES	167		165	31	18,134	365	18,862
	ACRES	10,843		12,742	6,624	582,328	18,343	630,880
TOTAL	FIRES	613	116	193	57	20,370	660	22,009
	ACRES	14,404	8,268	14,326	11,150	925,128	64,045	1,037,321

Ten Year Average Fires	23,888
Ten Year Average Acres	709,705

*** 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						2	2
	ACRES						138	138
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	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	138	138

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			20				20
Northwest	FIRES		26	3	1		61	91
	ACRES		2,771	245	6		1,676	4,698
Northern California	FIRES	1	15	5	14		75	110
	ACRES	12	306	9,640	66		1,672	11,696
Southern California	FIRES		5	7			53	65
	ACRES		570	551			877	1,998
Northern Rockies	FIRES	32	5			1	21	59
	ACRES	1,143	152			20	307	1,622
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		9	3	1	39	9	61
	ACRES		1,184	995	13	875	1,390	4,457
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	4	11
	ACRES		111	550		64	182	907
Southwest	FIRES	7	20	3	1		64	95
	ACRES	1,665	14,749	1,428	15		24,709	42,566
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	5	26	35	14	43	111	234
	ACRES	662	969	6,015	3,523	7,428	21,677	40,274
Eastern Area	FIRES	5		46	17	526	65	659
	ACRES	36,713		5,521	3,441	33,706	32,818	112,199
Southern Area	FIRES	38		133	15	930	601	1,717
	ACRES	7,588		65,097	10,082	188,521	576,774	848,062
TOTAL	FIRES	88	110	237	63	1,541	1,064	3,103
	ACRES	47,783	20,812	90,062	17,146	230,614	662,082	1,068,499

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

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