

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, April 25, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (42 new fires)
New large fires:	1 (*)
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	12
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:	18
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	10
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. Moderate fire activity. Numerous communities threatened.

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.

Hungryland, Florida DOF. Fourteen miles west of Jupiter, FL. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

Ranger, National Forests in Florida. Five miles southwest of Crawfordville, FL. Southern rough. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Childress, Texas Forest Service. Seventeen miles southwest of Ozona, TX. Grass. No further information received. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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	0	69	04/30	805	342	12	82	8	291	3.4M	ST
Rock House	TX	TXS	215,275	7,615	75	UNK	386	25	9	25	0	40	3.1M	ST
Wildcat	TX	TXS	159,308	0	80	UNK	223	-18	3	13	0	2	3.2M	ST
Pipeline	TX	TXS	7,101	1	90	04/25	42	-5	2	0	0	0	NR	ST
Hungryland	FL	FLS	700	50	90	UNK	16	0	0	2	2	0	NR	ST
Ranger	FL	FLS	130	---	90	UNK	3	---	0	1	0	0	10K	FS
Childress	TX	TXS	74	-526	75	UNK	0	-26	0	0	0	0	3K	ST
U-Pick	FL	FLS	715	0	100	---	42	0	0	6	2	0	NR	ST
Springer	TX	TXS	665	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 18
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 2

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

*** Last Chance**, Lincoln NF. Thirty-three miles southwest of Carlsbad, NM. Brush and slash. Active fire behavior. Structure threatened. Campground evacuated.

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Abrams	NM	LCD	5,000	2,500	40	04/29	55	-18	2	3	2	0	115K	BLM
* Last Chance	NM	LNF	1,800	---	0	UNK	95	---	3	6	1	0	300K	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Strong, gusty winds of 25 to 40 mph and low RH below 15 percent will produce critical fire weather conditions over eastern New Mexico and West Texas. A spring storm in the West will produce rain and snow showers across the Pacific Northwest and the northern Great Basin. Strong winds will affect the Sierras and northern Nevada. In the East, a stationary front stretching from New York to Texas will produce scattered showers and thunderstorms with strong storms over Arkansas, eastern Oklahoma and North Texas.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.**

ON A HILLSIDE WHERE ROLLING MATERIAL CAN IGNITE FUEL BELOW

When firefighters find themselves in Watchout Situation #13, they must answer the following questions:

- Can you locate/construct a line to prevent material from rolling below? What do you call line that catches rolling material? Describe how you would construct this type of line and what factors you would have to consider (e.g., slope, fuels, etc.)
- Will you get enough warning of rolling material to prevent being hit by it? Who needs to be watching for rolling material? What kinds of warning systems could you establish?
- Can you see where any material that rolls below you goes and what it does? What can happen when material rolls out of the fire and below you out of view? What needs to be done to mitigate this danger?
- Is the area free of large amounts of flashy fuels? Review the Common Denominators of Tragedy Fires.
- Is the area free of chimneys, gullies, and steep slopes? Review the Common Denominators of Tragedy Fires.
- Do you have two escape routes so you can go either way? Talk about where your most likely escape routes and safety zones will be when you are on a hillside where rolling material can ignite fuel below.
- To reduce the risks:
 - Post lookouts.
 - Consider locating line in a defensible position. Talk about steep fires where you have had material rolling out below you and how you dealt with it.

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					4		4
	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	8	4			2	4	18
	ACRES	24	34			1,805	101	1,964
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	20						20
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southern Area	FIRES			2		16		18
	ACRES			73		176		249
TOTAL	FIRES	9	4	2	0	23	4	42
	ACRES	44	34	73	0	1,981	101	2,233

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			31		32
	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	238	67	6	7	254	100	672
	ACRES	1,305	8,256	147	111	205,574	28,678	244,071
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	116	8	13	1	140	27	305
	ACRES	2,201	14	1,350	2,269	121,757	3,106	130,697
Eastern Area	FIRES	89		8	12	1,597	145	1,851
	ACRES	66		81	70	16,169	14,004	30,390
Southern Area	FIRES	167		167	31	18,477	365	19,207
	ACRES	10,843		12,815	6,624	1,788,779	18,343	1,837,404
TOTAL	FIRES	624	120	195	57	20,724	663	22,383
	ACRES	14,449	8,301	14,399	11,150	2,133,385	64,136	2,245,820

Ten Year Average Fires	24,347
Ten Year Average Acres	829,808

*** 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					1		1
	ACRES					78		78
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						1	1
	ACRES						65	65
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	78	65	143

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		1		2
	ACRES			20		79		99
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	66	660
	ACRES	36,713		5,521	3,441	33,706	32,883	112,264
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	1,542	1,065	3,105
	ACRES	47,783	20,812	90,062	17,146	230,693	662,147	1,068,643

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

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