

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, March 3, 2011 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (44 new fires)
New large fires:	6 (*)
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires: **	14
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

Nationally, there are 0 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.

Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:	40
New large fires:	5
Uncontained large fires:	14

Iron Horse, Florida DOF. Thirteen miles northwest of Titusville, FL. Southern rough. Spotting. Numerous structures threatened. Interstate 95 temporarily closed.

Willow Creek South, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 16 miles northeast of Amarillo, TX. Brush and grass. No further information received.

Mitchell County Complex (2 fires), Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 21 miles southeast of Big Spring, TX. Brush and grass. No further information received.

Shepard's Complex, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land six miles southwest of Scurry, TX. Timber. No further information received.

Crews Road, Georgia Forestry Commission. Five miles southeast of Hoboken, GA. Southern rough. Interior burning.

*** WF Texas Air Point Log**, McFaddin NWR. Jefferson County TX. Grass. Residences threatened. No further information received.

Tanglewood Complex, Texas Forest Service. Six miles south of Amarillo, TX. Brush and grass. No further information received.

Keller, Florida DOF. Fifteen miles southeast of Jacksonville, FL. Southern rough. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened.

*** West**, Osage Agency, BIA. Five miles southeast of Pawhuska, OK. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

Mind, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles southwest of Alpine, TX. Juniper, brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

Ferry 7, National Forests in Florida. Five miles northeast of Salt Springs, FL. Southern rough. Smoldering with single tree torching.

Gregory Mill, National Forests in Florida. Fifteen miles south of Bristol, FL. Southern rough. Smoldering in heavy fuels.

* **Pine Tree**, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles north of Counts, OK. Grass. No further information received.

* **Sulphur Draw**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles west of Big Springs, 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
Iron Horse	FL	FLS	16,144	1,290	25	3/12	93	14	0	14	2	4	30K	ST
Willow Creek South	TX	TXS	24,310	0	95	UNK	0	-8	0	0	0	29	NR	PRI
Mitchell County Complex	TX	TXS	13,740	0	95	UNK	NR	0	0	0	0	16	NR	PRI
Shepard's Complex	TX	TXS	7,500	0	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Crews Road	GA	GAS	2,250	0	95	3/4	15	0	0	0	1	0	5K	ST
* WF Texas Point Air Log	TX	MCR	2,000	---	20	3/27	14	---	0	3	1	0	5K	FWS
Tanglewood Complex	TX	TXS	1,659	0	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	27	NR	ST
Keller	FL	FLS	1,450	0	80	UNK	25	-12	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
* West	OK	OSA	1,325	---	60	UNK	6	---	0	2	0	0	10K	BIA
Mind	TX	TXS	1,200	800	45	UNK	45	0	2	4	0	0	NR	ST
Ferry 7	FL	FNF	682	0	80	3/5	23	3	0	5	1	0	200K	FS
Gregory Mill	FL	FNF	589	0	95	3/5	10	-1	0	2	1	1	76K	FS
* PineTree	OK	ECU	420	---	80	UNK	2	---	0	1	0	0	1K	ST
* Sulphur Draw	TX	TXS	350	---	95	UNK	5	---	0	0	0	1	NR	PRI
Coffman/Chestnut Ridge	VA	VAF	3,479	0	100	---	4	-19	0	1	0	1	1.2M	FS
Jesse Birthday	LA	LCR	835	0	100	---	1	-5	0	0	0	0	7K	FWS
* CL	MS	MNF	449	---	100	---	2	---	0	0	0	0	8K	ST

VAF – George Washington and Jefferson National Forest LCR - Lacassine NWR MNF – National Forests in Mississippi

Southwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 3
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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* Rufus	NM	N5S	723	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	9K	ST

N5S – Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry

Predictive Services Discussion: Critical fire weather conditions will continue in east central New Mexico on Thursday. Eastern New Mexico will experience low relative humidity and gusty winds, which will continue into Friday. Low relative humidity is expected in the Mid-Atlantic states on Thursday, but with light winds and cool temperatures.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Weather / Fire Behavior Category.**

FREQUENT SPOT FIRES ACROSS THE LINE

There are few watch out situations that state more clearly how much potential your fire has for rapid, uncontrolled growth. Consider the following questions if you are getting spot fires across your line:

- Can you handle increased spotting? List some ways you can keep ahead of spot fires (gridding the green, lookouts, etc.)
- What is your probability of ignition doing? Is it increasing or decreasing?
- Do you have a plan for long-range spotting? In what fuel type and under what conditions will you likely have long-range spotting? What types of plans can you think of for handling long-range spotting?
- Is help available if necessary? What kinds of resources will you have in place or order to handle spot fires?
- If fire behavior increases, is your position still defensible? Discuss what type of action you might take if a spot fire takes off.
- Do you have more than one safety zone in case one gets cut off? Describe how you might have multiple safety zones.
- Do the primary lookouts have a good view of the situation? Discuss who might be acting as a lookout (e.g., crew member, air resources, etc.) and how you will get good information from that person. (Are you relying on an air attack that is busy with air tankers?)
- Where are you in the burning period? Talk about how your tactics may vary from finding spot fires early in the day to later into the evening. Review Probability of Ignition (PIG) and what it can tell you about spotting potential.
- To reduce the risk, be ready to retreat. Keep your guard up even if spotting has not occurred for a few hours. Review fires where you have had frequent spot fires and what you learned about controlling them.

References:

[Fireline Handbook](#)
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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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							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	3						3
	ACRES	21						21
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			2				2
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			1		35	4	40
	ACRES			2,000		187	6	2,193
TOTAL	FIRES	3	0	2	0	35	4	44
	ACRES	21	0	2,002	0	187	6	2,216

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				2		6	8
	ACRES				0		2	2
Southern California	FIRES		2			81	13	96
	ACRES		21			37	2	60
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5			1		6
	ACRES		2			1		3
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	51	16	2	7	65	19	160
	ACRES	119	738	0	111	79,104	2,250	82,322
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	1	4		15	15	41
	ACRES	26	0	210		3,548	1,325	5,109
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		2	1	259	28	291
	ACRES	1		9	2	8,739	2,923	11,674
Southern Area	FIRES	116		57	6	9,547	149	9,875
	ACRES	5,431		3,598	411	186,402	11,997	207,839
TOTAL	FIRES	174	25	65	16	9,968	230	10,478
	ACRES	5,577	761	3,817	524	277,831	18,499	307,009

Ten Year Average Fires	7,543
Ten Year Average Acres	193,871

*** 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						6	6
Northern California	FIRES				2		0	2
	ACRES				4		3	7
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	0
	ACRES						16	16
Rocky Mountain	FIRES				1	0	0	1
	ACRES				1	7	40	48
Eastern Area	FIRES			1		4	1	6
	ACRES			1		720	32	753
Southern Area	FIRES			1		5	9	15
	ACRES			120		1,137	6,628	7,885
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	2	3	9	10	24
	ACRES	0	0	121	5	1,864	6,725	8,715

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		22	1			27	50
	ACRES		1,449	45			612	2,106
Northern California	FIRES	1	11	1	11		57	81
	ACRES	12	215	549	33		1,272	2,081
Southern California	FIRES		2	1			44	47
	ACRES		275	115			536	926
Northern Rockies	FIRES	27	1				1	29
	ACRES	645	26				1	672
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5		1	11	2	19
	ACRES		554		13	248	35	850
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	1		2	4	9
	ACRES		91	550		64	165	870
Southwest	FIRES		3				36	39
	ACRES		130				3,632	3,762
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	17	2	10	33	98	161
	ACRES	10	186	7	213	745	16,117	17,278
Eastern Area	FIRES			5		65	9	79
	ACRES			89		2,892	786	3,767
Southern Area	FIRES	20		74	7	517	253	871
	ACRES	5,515		36,713	6,330	96,026	260,151	404,735
TOTAL	FIRES	49	63	85	29	628	531	1,385
	ACRES	6,182	2,926	38,068	6,589	99,975	283,307	437,047

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