

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, March 18, 2011 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (133 new fires)
 New large fires: 4 (*)
 Large fires contained: 4
 Uncontained large fires: ** 5
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 1 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.

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 24
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 3

Pena, Coronado NF. Eleven miles west of Nogales, AZ. Grass. Smoldering.

Eagle Draw, Roswell Field Office, BLM. Twenty miles west of Artesia, NM. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

Lambson, Bernallio District, New Mexico State Forestry. Nine miles south of Ramah, NM. Grass. No new information.

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
Pena	AZ	CNF	6,050	0	95	3/18	98	0	3	4	1	0	566K	FS
Eagle Draw	NM	ROD	4,800	400	30	3/19	53	-9	0	15	0	0	70K	BLM
Lambson	NM	N6S	695	---	90	UNK	11	---	0	3	0	0	13K	ST

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 98
 New large fires: 4
 Uncontained large fires: 2

* **High Center**, Oklahoma DOF. Four miles north of Wesley, OK. Grass. No further information received.

* **Tuma Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land one mile west of Premont, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

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* High Center	OK	OXS	600	---	65	3/19	14	---	0	7	0	0	3.1K	ST
* Tuma Ranch	TX	TXS	300	---	95	3/18	7	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Big Trickle Ranch	TX	TXS	4,044	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
The Old Place	OK	OXS	720	0	100	---	4	0	0	2	0	0	.6K	ST
* Exception	OK	OXS	640	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	---	0	.6K	ST
* Randall's Corner	YX	TXS	300	---	100	---	10	---	0	1	0	0	NR	PRI

Predictive Services Discussion: Warming and drying across North Carolina and central Florida will increase fire potential on Friday through the weekend. Precipitation decreases across the Intermountain West, with lingering showers moving through the Midwest. Another low pressure system will move into the Pacific Northwest, which will bring valley rain and mountain snow along the west coast.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Hazard Tree Category.

HAZARD TREE - RISK MANAGEMENT

Situational Awareness/ Hazard Assessment

● Environment:

- Existing winds and forecast
- Night operations
- Steep slopes
- Diseased or bug-kill areas
- Number, density, and height of hazard trees
- Anticipated burn-down time
- Potential for domino effect to surrounding trees
- Maintain situational awareness and continually reassess hazards

● Hazard Tree Indicators:

- Trees burning for any period of time
- High risk tree species (rot and shallow roots)
- Numerous downed trees
- Dead, broken, or burning tops and limbs overhead
- Accumulation of downed limbs
- Absence of needles, bark or limbs
- Leaning or hung-up

● **Note:** In addition to suppression and mop-up operations, assess, control, and monitor hazard trees along roads and when selecting break areas or campsites.

● Hazard Control:

- Eliminate the hazards with qualified sawyers, blasters/explosives, or heavy equipment
- Avoid hazards by designating "No Work Zones" (NWZ) – (flag, sign, and map)
- Modify suppression tactics or fireline location to avoid extreme/high risk rated area
- Post lookouts to help maintain secure area
- Fire proof potential hazard trees to prevent ignition
- Initiate road/traffic control and area closure
- Keep clear of bucket drops near trees/snags
- Establish trigger points for reposition to secure areas in response to high winds

References: [Hazard Tree Safety Web Page](#)

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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			0
	ACRES				749			749
Southern California	FIRES		1				3	4
	ACRES		0				0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		2					2
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	12	2			9	1	24
	ACRES	37	0			17	0	54
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		2			1,800		1,802
Eastern Area	FIRES					3	1	4
	ACRES					3	1	4
Southern Area	FIRES			1		95	2	98
	ACRES			610		1,113	18	1,741
TOTAL	FIRES	12	5	1	0	108	7	133
	ACRES	37	4	610	749	2,933	19	4,352

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				3		6	9
	ACRES				1,166		2	1,168
Southern California	FIRES		4			107	19	130
	ACRES		22			50	2	74
Northern Rockies	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		3			3		6
	ACRES		2			2		4
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	89	28	3	7	89	38	254
	ACRES	331	2,241	9	111	84,650	8,138	95,480
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	8	3	5		33	19	68
	ACRES	42	2	233		6,195	1,982	8,454
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		2	1	322	51	377
	ACRES	1		9	2	9,702	3,940	13,654
Southern Area	FIRES	135		93	8	11,247	182	11,665
	ACRES	5,980		7,649	411	265,452	13,149	292,641
TOTAL	FIRES	233	40	103	19	11,804	315	12,514
	ACRES	6,354	2,267	7,900	1,690	366,051	27,213	411,475

Ten Year Average Fires	10,366
Ten Year Average Acres	415,422

*** 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						1	1
	ACRES						3	3
Northern California	FIRES				0		0	0
	ACRES				2		5	7
Southern California	FIRES			2			3	5
	ACRES			20			235	255
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		0			1		1
	ACRES		135			8		143
Western Great Basin	FIRES		0				0	0
	ACRES		7				11	18
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			1			0	1
	ACRES			104			240	344
Eastern Area	FIRES			2		3		5
	ACRES			20		58		78
Southern Area	FIRES	2				2	7	11
	ACRES	195				350	8,015	8,560
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	5	0	6	11	24
	ACRES	195	142	144	2	416	8,509	9,408

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			36	59
	ACRES		1,529	45			722	2,296
Northern California	FIRES	1	11	3	13		64	92
	ACRES	12	215	694	45		1,385	2,351
Southern California	FIRES		4	7			50	61
	ACRES		550	551			830	1,931
Northern Rockies	FIRES	31	1			1	4	37
	ACRES	687	26			20	76	809
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		4		1	17	3	25
	ACRES		820		13	304	225	1,362
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1		2	4	10
	ACRES		105	550		64	182	901
Southwest	FIRES	1	12	2			43	58
	ACRES	1,500	5,936	948			11,677	20,061
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	17	7	11	40	101	177
	ACRES	10	186	321	226	7,186	16,906	24,835
Eastern Area	FIRES			9	2	124	20	155
	ACRES			143	491	10,230	8,725	19,589
Southern Area	FIRES	28		96	9	720	375	1,228
	ACRES	6,485		53,427	6,337	141,312	366,191	573,752
TOTAL	FIRES	62	74	126	36	904	700	1,902
	ACRES	8,694	9,367	56,679	7,112	159,116	406,919	647,887

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