

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, May 20, 2011 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 2**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (73 new fires)
New large fires:	3 (*)
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: **	11
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	5

Nationally, there are 3 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

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

Geographic Area daily reports: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/predictive/statelinks.htm>

Southern Area (PL 4)

New fires:	31
New large fires:	0
Uncontained large fires:	6
NIMOs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4

NIMO (Gage) and IMT 2 (Dueitt) are assigned to manage large fires and provide support to initial attack operations for the West Branch Operational Area in Texas. Texas IMT 2 (Hannemann) is managing existing and new fires located in Texas state initial attack zones.

Honey Prairie, Okefenokee NWR. Georgia IMT 2 (Kline). Five miles northeast of Fargo, GA. Southern rough. Moderate fire activity.

Pains Bay, Alligator River NWR. North Carolina IMT 2 (Smith). Nineteen miles south of Manns Harbor, NC. Timber and brush. Minimal fire activity.

Iron Mountain, Texas Forest Service. Ten miles northwest of Alpine, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Schwartz, Texas Forest Service. Twenty miles east of Marathon, TX. Hardwood slash, brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Jarhead, Big Cypress National Preserve. Seven miles north of Oasis, FL. Southern rough. No new information.

Price, Texas Forest Service. Fifteen miles west of Sterling City, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Tison, Sabine NWR. Seventeen miles southwest of Hackberry, LA. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

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
Honey Prairie	GA	OKR	146,924	0	N/A	N/A	332	2	1	30	8	0	6.1M	FWS
Pains Bay	NC	ALR	25,678	0	80	UNK	188	-3	1	13	3	0	2.8M	FWS
Iron Mountain	TX	TXS	87,401	0	95	5/22	0	-60	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Schwartz	TX	TXS	83,995	0	95	5/22	95	1	1	18	0	0	NR	ST
Jarhead	FL	BCP	38,130	---	95	UNK	19	---	1	7	3	12	5.3M	NPS
Price	TX	TXS	3,373	0	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Tison	LA	SBR	1,600	0	35	5/27	5	-1	0	0	1	0	23K	FWS
Foster Ranch	TX	TXS	1,000	500	100	---	0	-40	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

Southwest (PL 4)

New fires: 7
New large fires: 3
Uncontained large fires: 4
Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Horseshoe 2, Coronado NF. IMT 1 (Reinarz). Fifty miles northeast of Bisbee, AZ. Timber and grass. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

Miller, Gila NF. IMT 2 (Templin). Twenty-five miles north of Silver City, NM. Timber and grass. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened.

Mayhill, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Two miles west of Mayhill, NM. Hardwood slash, brush and grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

* **Caprock**, Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry. Five miles south of San Jon, NM. Pinyon pine, juniper and grass. Moderate fire activity.

* **Rifle**, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Four miles southeast of Capitan, NM. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

* **Laguna**, Fort Yuma Agency, BIA. Eleven miles northeast of Yuma, AZ. Brush. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

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Horseshoe 2	AZ	CNF	34,451	1,559	N/A	N/A	793	-19	20	28	9	0	8.8M	FS
Miller	NM	GNF	78,111	1,331	N/A	N/A	416	-16	13	10	8	4	5.3M	FS
Mayhill	NM	N5S	31,861	---	98	UNK	197	---	4	8	1	16	3.9M	ST
* Caprock	NM	N4S	600	---	70	UNK	69	---	0	36	0	0	12K	ST
* Rifle	NM	N5S	500	---	50	UNK	86	---	1	18	0	0	60K	ST

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* Laguna	AZ	FYA	400	---	0	5/23	54	---	1	7	7	2	NR	BIA
Rio	NM	SNF	168	0	100	---	0	-56	0	0	0	0	412K	FS

SNF – Santa Fe NF

Southern California Area (PL 1)

New fires: 11

New large fires: 0

Uncontained large fires: 1

Momyer, San Bernardino NF. Seventeen miles northeast of Apple Valley, CA. Timber. No further information received.

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Momyer	CA	BDF	150	0	98	5/20	100	0	4	0	2	0	1.4M	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Critical fire weather conditions associated with strong winds 25 to 40 mph and low relative humidity below 15 percent will persist across eastern New Mexico and far west Texas. A broad trough over the Great Basin will slowly lift northeast, leaving rain and snow showers across the eastern Great Basin, the northern and central Rockies. Showers and thunderstorms will develop from Montana and the Dakotas south to central Texas. Strong thunderstorms are possible from eastern Nebraska to central Texas. A lingering low over New York will produce scattered showers and thunderstorms from New England to the mid-Atlantic Coast. Scattered thunderstorms are possible over the southern tip of Florida.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



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

INITIAL ATTACK FIRE SIZEUP/SAFETY

Having a good sizeup is important in order to give both the Incident Commander (IC) and fire management a good idea of what problems exist and what resources may be needed for effective firefighting.

- Use the following reporting factors for size-up and reference local fire size-up cards. Discuss others that may be used.

- Fire name and location
- Terrain (slope, aspect, elevation) and position of fire on the slope
- Size of fire
- Fuel type, anticipated control problems, and spread potential
- Values threatened
- Weather conditions (wind speed and direction)
- Fire behavior
- Resources on the fire and those needed
- Estimated containment and control times
- Cause (known, suspected, under investigation)

- After your initial size-up of the fire and/or transition from an initial attack IC, answer the following questions. Repeat this analysis whenever there is a change, or predicted change, in conditions on the fire.

- Have you sized up the fire and relayed the information to dispatch?
- Is the observed fire weather consistent with the forecast?
- Can you control the fire with the resources available (on the incident or soon to be on the incident) and under the expected conditions?
- Have you developed a plan to attack the fire (direct or indirect, anchor points, escape routes, head or flank attack, priority areas); and have you communicated this information to all personnel assigned to the incident, including new arrivals?
- Are lookouts in place or can you see all of the fire area?
- Can you communicate with everyone on the fire and with dispatch?
- Are escape routes and safety zones established? If you are using the black, is it completely burned and without a reburn potential?
- Are safety and the standard fire orders being followed and/or mitigated?
- Do you have a complete list of what resources have been ordered for the fire?
- Will you control the fire before the next operational period; and if you won't, or the size of the organization exceeds the IC's capability to manage, have you informed the agency Fire Management Officer?

References:

[Fireline Handbook](#)
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#), inside front cover.

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					8		8
	ACRES					1		1
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES		4				7	11
	ACRES		70				3	73
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	0					1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1	1		5	0	7
	ACRES		0	26		25	2	53
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	2	1			2	2	7
	ACRES	400	0			1,100	2,890	4,390
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Eastern Area	FIRES	3				3		6
	ACRES	2				12		14
Southern Area	FIRES					29	2	31
	ACRES					284	133	417
TOTAL	FIRES	7	6	1	0	47	12	73
	ACRES	402	70	26	0	1,422	3,029	4,949

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1	1		138	1	141
	ACRES		9	0		980	0	989
Northwest	FIRES		4			19	1	24
	ACRES		9			43	0	52
Northern California	FIRES			3	3		20	26
	ACRES			0	2,076		4	2,080
Southern California	FIRES	2	65			489	58	614
	ACRES	1	189			2,363	8	2,561
Northern Rockies	FIRES	78		4		37	15	134
	ACRES	249		49		237	22	557
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		23	1		18	1	43
	ACRES		23	26		29	0	78
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	27	1	7	7	1	44
	ACRES	10	2	12	0	97	0	121
Southwest	FIRES	356	106	7	10	406	174	1,059
	ACRES	3,507	62,809	181	112	305,577	179,434	551,620
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	157	12	18	1	200	46	434
	ACRES	2,955	24	3,391	2,269	135,360	21,601	165,600
Eastern Area	FIRES	321		18	12	2,502	162	3,015
	ACRES	345		2,577	70	22,702	14,023	39,717
Southern Area	FIRES	199		190	44	20,326	443	21,202
	ACRES	11,143		38,777	45,023	1,909,403	19,925	2,024,271
TOTAL	FIRES	1,114	238	243	77	24,142	922	26,736
	ACRES	18,210	63,065	45,013	49,550	2,376,791	235,017	2,787,646

Ten Year Average Fires	28,335
Ten Year Average Acres	1,106,798

*** 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		0
	ACRES					60		60
Northwest	FIRES	0						0
	ACRES	760						760
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					10	110	120
Northern Rockies	FIRES			1			2	3
	ACRES			200			107	307
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					5	520	525
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1	2				3
	ACRES		5	127				132
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		7		2	1	11
	ACRES	30		845		75	1,507	2,457
Southern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						255	255
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	10	0	4	8	24
	ACRES	790	5	1,172	0	150	2,499	4,616

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		10		11
	ACRES			20		5,862		5,882
Northwest	FIRES	1	32	3	1		85	122
	ACRES	1,152	4,521	245	6		4,033	9,957
Northern California	FIRES	9	16	7	17		94	143
	ACRES	52	381	16,214	130		3,229	20,006
Southern California	FIRES		5	7		1	55	68
	ACRES		570	551		10	1,379	2,510
Northern Rockies	FIRES	38	11	14	1	6	66	136
	ACRES	1,387	629	2,977	141	127	3,205	8,466
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		11	3	1	29	19	63
	ACRES		1,754	995	13	683	3,813	7,258
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		2	8	15
	ACRES		121	550		64	286	1,021
Southwest	FIRES	10	23	3	3		79	118
	ACRES	1,660	22,823	1,428	45		75,407	101,363
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	30	82	17	45	118	304
	ACRES	1,034	6,862	13,058	4,703	7,932	29,253	62,842
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		214	21	746	118	1,128
	ACRES	60,283		25,777	3,780	46,428	38,554	174,822
Southern Area	FIRES	39		138	15	1,076	625	1,893
	ACRES	7,632		66,190	10,082	217,771	592,488	894,163
TOTAL	FIRES	138	132	473	76	1,915	1,267	4,001
	ACRES	73,200	37,661	128,005	18,900	278,877	751,647	1,288,290

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

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