

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, May 3, 2012 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (42 new fires)
 New large fires: 0 (*)
 Large fires contained: 0
 Uncontained large fires: ** 7
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally there are no 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 2)

New fires: 15
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 5
 Type 1 IMT committed: 1

Livermore Ranch Complex (two fires), Texas Forest Service. IMT1 (Wilder). Eighteen miles west of Fort Davis, TX. Pine, juniper and grass. Moderate fire activity. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations in effect.

County Line, National Forests in Florida. Twenty-five miles north of Lake City, FL. Southern rough. Smoldering.

Ford Property, Florida Forest Service. Nine miles southwest of Oak Hill, FL. Timber and southern rough. Moderate fire activity.

Sugar Maple Road, Texas Forest Service. Three miles west of Kountze, TX. Timber. 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
Livermore Ranch Complex	TX	TXS	23,963	0	40	UNK	460	201	11	13	2	0	2M	ST
County Line	FL	FNF	34,936	0	85	5/15	129	-5	1	17	3	0	7M	FS
Ford Property	FL	FLS	245	0	50	UNK	13	0	0	0	1	0	NR	ST
Sugar Maple Road	TX	TXS	115	---	90	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 5
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Apache Pass, Safford Field Office, BLM. Eleven miles south of Bowie, AZ. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

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Apache Pass	AZ	SAD	1,686	40	60	5/5	169	0	5	6	1	0	400K	BLM

Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 1)

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

Toquerville Assist 02, Southwest Area, Utah Division of Forestry Fire and State Lands. Toquerville, UT. Pinyon pine, juniper, brush and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping

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Toquerville Assist 02	UT	SWS	248	-252	75	5/3	78	37	2	8	1	0	NR	ST

Predictive Services Discussion: A trough developing along the West coast will bring rain to the Northwest and northern Rockies with snow showers at the higher elevations. Gusty winds and low relative humidity will develop across the Great Basin and over the southern Plains. A cold front stretching from the central Rockies to the Great Lakes will produce showers and thunderstorms from Colorado to New England. Warm and humid conditions will develop under a building ridge across the southern states. Snow showers will continue across northern and southwest Alaska. Rain will continue along the southern coast and the southeast.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Miscellaneous Category.

ASH PIT HAZARDS

Ash pits are an inherent and hidden risk to wildland firefighters that can cause severe burns and injuries. Ash pits are created when a ground fire consumes underground fuels creating an empty space that is imperceptible from the surface.

- Environmental factors that increase the risk of ash pit formation after a wildfire:
 - Extensive root systems of trees and shrubs.
 - Deep duff or peat, the organic layer covering mineral soil.
 - Landscapes that have once been cultivated or manipulated by heavy equipment, old dozer piles, sawmills, timber sale yards or decking areas.
 - Small rodent holes that have become filled with decadent combustible debris, beaver holes near dams and stream beds, badger and coyote dens.
 - White ash is sometimes an indicator of ash pits as are swarms of hovering insects.
 - With the sun behind the suspected ash pit, look for small nearly translucent smokes that dissipate quickly above the ground.
 - Ash pits often give off the smell of incomplete combustion or of creosote burning.
- Mitigation measures to consider:
 - Identification of high risk landscape.
 - Identify and flag all hazardous discovered ash pits.

Resources: [Safety Advisory: Ash Pit Safety](#), Risk Management Committee 2010

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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						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Northern California	FIRES					6	2	8
	ACRES					6	2	8
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0			3	2	5
	ACRES		40			55	75	170
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					1	0	1
Eastern Area	FIRES					7	1	8
	ACRES					315	1	316
Southern Area	FIRES					15		15
	ACRES					124		124
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	0	0	33	8	42
	ACRES	0	40	0	0	501	79	620

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1				21	1	23
	ACRES	0				12	0	12
Northwest	FIRES	23	3		1	52	3	82
	ACRES	1,218	5,923		3	708	1	7,853
Northern California	FIRES		1	1	2	372	54	430
	ACRES		0	0	1	655	52	708
Southern California	FIRES	7	30	1	5	520	104	667
	ACRES	9	8	0	1	807	90	915
Northern Rockies	FIRES	404	7	9	2	60	29	511
	ACRES	21,633	1,320	744	620	2,175	729	27,221
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	9	30		2	88	9	138
	ACRES	103	122		0	1,004	157	1,386
Western Great Basin	FIRES		62		4	35	5	106
	ACRES		1,894		0	2,319	432	4,645
Southwest	FIRES	213	49	8	3	165	115	553
	ACRES	3,340	2,917	14	2,228	8,333	3,481	20,313
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	336	39	19	4	419	69	886
	ACRES	17,315	271	1,238	818	33,100	9,892	62,634
Eastern Area	FIRES	602		11	11	4,947	240	5,811
	ACRES	1,528		135	397	38,807	5,884	46,751
Southern Area	FIRES	207		17	21	8,451	273	8,969
	ACRES	30,768		14,916	3,443	107,413	46,963	203,503
TOTAL	FIRES	1,802	221	66	55	15,130	902	18,176
	ACRES	75,914	12,455	17,047	7,511	195,333	67,681	375,941

Ten Year Average Fires	23,847
Ten Year Average Acres	885,806

*** 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						78	78
Northern California	FIRES			0	0		2	2
	ACRES			1,298	1		226	1,525
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						14	14
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1					1	2
	ACRES	3					700	703
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	15						15
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					50	3	53
	ACRES					2,908	2,550	5,458
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	0	0	50	8	60
	ACRES	18	0	1,298	1	2,908	3,568	7,793

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					502		502
Northwest	FIRES	1	30	3			47	81
	ACRES	5	1,222	909			6,357	8,493
Northern California	FIRES	2	13	12	21		136	184
	ACRES	107	203	16,050	151		9,804	26,315
Southern California	FIRES		6	4		1	147	158
	ACRES		1,516	125		550	3,600	5,791
Northern Rockies	FIRES	4	8	15	1	5	95	128
	ACRES	243	3,811	2,991	10	156	11,682	18,893
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	13	2	4	17	30	68
	ACRES	463	424	188	269	334	8,897	10,575
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	4		13	3	27
	ACRES		2,236	419		279	116	3,050
Southwest	FIRES	7	11	6	15		105	144
	ACRES	276	7,706	2,591	109		28,665	39,347
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	20	21	38	21	12	55	167
	ACRES	1,855	2,465	4,926	2,492	1,256	9,437	22,431
Eastern Area	FIRES	31		223	40	813	132	1,239
	ACRES	21,500		49,872	9,054	52,682	54,496	187,604
Southern Area	FIRES	22		116	50	6,526	797	7,511
	ACRES	4,743		47,141	34,384	404,162	769,726	1,260,156
TOTAL	FIRES	89	109	423	152	7,390	1,547	9,710
	ACRES	29,192	19,583	125,212	46,469	459,921	902,780	1,583,157

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

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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