

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, January 18, 2013 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)

Initial attack activity: Light (114 new fires)
 New large fires: 1 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 0
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

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

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 100
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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
* Flora Vista	FL	SJR	902	---	100	---	11	---	0	3	0	0	26K	FWS

SJR – St. Johns NWR

Other Fires

(As of January 18)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	1	3,498	0	0	0	1
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	3,498	0	0	0	1

Predictive Services Discussion: High pressure will persist across the West, leaving conditions generally cold with only scattered snow showers across the region through midweek. Cold will return to the East as a trough dips into the mid-Atlantic states early in the week. Scattered snow showers will cross the Great Lakes and New England. A Pacific storm will approach the West Coast by Wednesday, bringing a chance of rain and snow to the Northwest and the northern Rockies by the end of the week.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.html>



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

REFUSING RISK ("TURN DOWN" PROTOCOL)

Every firefighter has the right and obligation to report safety problems and contribute ideas regarding their safety. Supervisors are expected to give these concerns and ideas serious consideration. When an individual feels an assignment is unsafe, they also have the obligation to identify, to the degree possible, safe alternatives for completing that assignment. Turning down an assignment is one possible outcome of managing risk.

- A turn down is a situation where an individual has determined an assignment cannot be undertaken as given, and they are unable to negotiate an alternative solution.
- A turn down must be based on an assessment of risks and the ability of an individual or organization to control those risks.
- A situation may be a candidate for a turndown if:
 - There is a violation of safe work practices.
 - Environmental conditions make the work unsafe.
 - The forces lack the necessary qualifications or experience.
 - Defective equipment is being used.
- The following steps will be used when turning down an assignment:
 - The individual will directly inform their supervisor that they are turning down the assignment as given. (Document using criteria outlined in the risk management process.)
 - Supervisor will notify the Safety Officer immediately upon being informed. In the absence of a Safety Officer, the appropriate Section Chief or Incident Commander will be notified. This step provides accountability for decisions and initiates communication of safety concerns.
 - If the supervisor requests another resource to perform the assignment, he/she is responsible for informing that resource that the assignment has previously been refused and the reason(s) why.
 - The safety hazard should be documented by the submission of a SAFENET or SAFECOM.
- These actions do not stop an operation from being carried out. This protocol is integral to the effective management of risk as it provides timely identification of hazards to the chain of command, raises risk awareness for both leaders and subordinates, and promotes accountability.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					0		0
Southern California	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						2	2
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		1					1
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			2		98		100
	ACRES			101		388		489
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	2	0	107	4	114
	ACRES	0	1	101	0	388	2	492

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					10		10
	ACRES					0		0
Southern California	FIRES			2		29	10	41
	ACRES			2		4	4	10
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	2,756						2,756
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		1			5		6
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		1					1
Southwest	FIRES		1				2	3
	ACRES		1				0	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					2	2	4
	ACRES					0	5	5
Eastern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			22				22
Southern Area	FIRES	1		2		211		214
	ACRES	10		101		574		685
TOTAL	FIRES	2	4	5	0	253	14	278
	ACRES	2,766	3	125	0	583	9	3,486

Ten Year Average Fires	902
Ten Year Average Acres	64,760

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1	1			1	3
	ACRES		19	18			10	47
Northern California	FIRES				0		4	4
	ACRES				3		31	34
Southern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						6	6
Northern Rockies	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		10				15	25
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES			1			1	2
	ACRES			1			1	2
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1	2	1		8	12
	ACRES		1	24	10		406	441
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1			1	5	11	18
	ACRES	50			75	249	5,526	5,900
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	7		6	1	393	9	416
	ACRES	2,124		1,733	5,000	11,716	8,628	29,201
TOTAL	FIRES	8	3	10	3	398	38	460
	ACRES	2,174	30	1,776	5,088	11,965	14,623	35,656

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1	1			1	3
	ACRES		19	18			10	47
Northern California	FIRES				2		14	16
	ACRES				8		117	125
Southern California	FIRES		1	1			13	15
	ACRES		2	15			36	53
Northern Rockies	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		10				15	25
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES			1			1	2
	ACRES			1			1	2
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						7	7
Southwest	FIRES		2	3	1		22	28
	ACRES		2	31	10		2,255	2,298
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	1	3	1	6	18	30
	ACRES	50	31	1	75	299	8,525	8,981
Eastern Area	FIRES			2				2
	ACRES			465				465
Southern Area	FIRES	9		7		764	16	796
	ACRES	2,234		2,201		28,258	17,416	50,109
TOTAL	FIRES	10	6	18	4	770	87	895
	ACRES	2,284	64	2,732	93	28,557	28,382	62,112

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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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