

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Tuesday, May 28, 2013 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (89 new fires)  
 New large fires: 1 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 3  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

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

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

**Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 24  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

\* **White**, Los Padres NF. IMT 2 (Nunez). Six miles northwest of Santa Barbara, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with long-range spotting. Numerous structures and high-voltage power lines threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect.

**General**, Monte Vista Unit, Cal Fire. Four miles east of Julian, CA. Chaparral. Active fire behavior with spotting.

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
* White	CA	LPF	1,800	---	10	UNK	563	---	13	45	6	0	800K	FS
General	CA	MVU	900	500	42	UNK	1,217	1,017	54	52	8	0	725K	ST

**Southwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 18  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Soldier Basin**, Coronado NF. Five miles east of Nogales, AZ. Timber and grass. Minimal 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
Soldier Basin	AZ	CNF	10,775	0	95	5/28	62	-3	2	3	1	0	1.4M	FS

**Other Fires**

(As of May 24)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	1	0	0	0	0	0
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	1	4,346	1	5	1	56
NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	2	1,378	1	4	0	2
RM	2	3,498	0	0	0	2
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	5	499	0	5	0	18
Total	11	9,721	2	14	1	78

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A deepening trough in the West will produce critical fire weather conditions with low relative humidity and strong winds over much of the Southwest. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms will develop over the Northwest, the northern Rockies and the northern Great Basin. Showers and thunderstorms will again form over the northern Plains, the Upper Midwest and the Ohio Valley. Gusty southerly flow from the Gulf of Mexico will keep the South warm and humid.

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



# LOOKOUTS

*LCES (Lookouts, Communication, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones)*  
Category



[Scenario](#)

Lookouts are often better situated to notice the cumulative changes of fire behavior.

- Fire Order #5 says “Post lookouts when there is possible danger.” Should you utilize lookouts at all times?
  - Lookouts should be posted at all times.
- What are you looking for when you are selecting a lookout location?
  - Choose a good vantage point, preferably with a good overview of the entire area where firefighters are located, including escape routes and safety zones.
  - Never rely exclusively on aircraft as your lookout.
- What are the desired qualities, capabilities, knowledge, and responsibilities of a lookout person?
  - Experienced firefighter.
  - Solid knowledge of fire behavior and ability to recognize and monitor other environmental hazards.
  - Knowledge of crew locations, escape and safety locations and trigger points.
  - Good communicator--keeps the crew advised of fire behavior changes, tracks weather trends and relays the information, informs crew of work progress and updates from the latest strategy and tactical briefings.
  - Monitors and accounts for all individuals within his/her assigned area at all times, and will notify others if breaks are needed.
- What is the necessary equipment for a lookout?
  - PPE, radio with extra batteries, compass, binoculars, belt weather kit, IAP, map, food, water and watch.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Fireline Handbook](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)

[“LCES and Other Thoughts” by Paul Gleason](#)

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1		1
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES				2	19	1	22
	ACRES				2	5	0	7
Southern California	FIRES			1		23		24
	ACRES			432		12		444
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		1					1
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3					3
	ACRES		1					1
Southwest	FIRES	4	1	1		3	9	18
	ACRES	1	2	0		1	35	39
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2			1	1	4
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					9		9
	ACRES					31		31
Southern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
TOTAL	FIRES	4	8	2	2	62	11	89
	ACRES	1	4	432	2	50	35	524

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				1	65	1	67
	ACRES				240	166	0	406
Northwest	FIRES	22	19	6	2	112	67	228
	ACRES	132	141	153	0	491	109	1,026
Northern California	FIRES	51	2		6	858	92	1,009
	ACRES	60	77		3	9,022	3,979	13,141
Southern California	FIRES	4	41	14	5	1,219	144	1,427
	ACRES	14	333	441	52	12,747	4,546	18,133
Northern Rockies	FIRES	244	12	3		97	63	419
	ACRES	4,879	198	997		1,305	12,554	19,933
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	15	74		2	87	27	205
	ACRES	112	2,166		0	780	103	3,161
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	32	2	2	12	4	53
	ACRES	1	565	0	0	11	2	579
Southwest	FIRES	229	57	23	22	250	280	861
	ACRES	2,356	917	3,313	200	4,109	11,858	22,753
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	214	40	9	6	201	57	527
	ACRES	542	1,358	471	63	4,571	113	7,118
Eastern Area	FIRES	279		27	26	3,913	214	4,459
	ACRES	7,126		953	87	33,321	1,062	42,549
Southern Area	FIRES	113		33	15	7,754	270	8,185
	ACRES	10,724		3,612	1,435	83,630	9,768	109,169
TOTAL	FIRES	1,172	277	117	87	14,568	1,219	17,440
	ACRES	25,946	5,755	9,940	2,080	150,153	44,094	237,968

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>29,161</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>1,182,376</b>

\*\*\* 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					878		878
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				1			1
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
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					17		17
	ACRES					281		281
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	1	17	0	18
	ACRES	0	0	0	1	1,159	0	1,160

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	2	12		15
	ACRES			5	20	4,948		4,973
Northwest	FIRES	7	36	8	3		128	182
	ACRES	2,066	8,878	444	67		28,660	40,115
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	13	20		119	166
	ACRES	35	736	15,228	251		5,430	21,680
Southern California	FIRES		3	4	3	2	138	150
	ACRES		36	53	132	138	4,864	5,223
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	11	21	2	25	143	213
	ACRES	1,583	2,742	6,660	156	958	9,946	22,045
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	20	2	5	18	40	89
	ACRES	690	1,375	2	693	558	10,463	13,781
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		12	7	24
	ACRES		239	35		103	300	677
Southwest	FIRES	17	18	5	1		49	90
	ACRES	19,319	10,642	1,372	10		15,490	46,833
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	40	29	10	35	96	222
	ACRES	1,691	3,167	3,230	616	5,090	24,995	38,789
Eastern Area	FIRES	14		166	45	642	150	1,017
	ACRES	22,983		15,960	4,742	28,734	32,527	104,946
Southern Area	FIRES	1		82	19	9,179	751	10,032
	ACRES	40		44,753	22,022	515,945	835,457	1,418,217
TOTAL	FIRES	68	144	332	110	9,925	1,621	12,200
	ACRES	48,407	27,815	87,742	28,709	556,474	968,132	1,717,279

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

### Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	3	0	218	3,642
Yukon Territory	0	0	1	1
Alberta	2	0	498	3,132
Northwest Territory	1	4	3	113
Saskatchewan	4	1,260	131	3,073
Manitoba	1	43	68	744
Ontario	6	3	134	216
Quebec	0	10	216	204
Newfoundland	1	0	27	24
New Brunswick	0	0	298	732
Nova Scotia	0	0	138	283
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	7	4,403
Total	18	1,319	1,739	16,568

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.

**\*\* National Interagency Coordination Center \*\***