

**National Interagency Coordination Center**  
**Incident Management Situation Report**  
**Friday, May 23, 2014 – 0530 MT**  
**National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (107 new fires)
New large fires:	1 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	7
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

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

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

**Southwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires:	13
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	5
Type 1 IMTs committed	1

**Slide**, Coconino NF. IMT 1 (Sciacca). Six miles north of Sedona, AZ. Timber and chaparral. Extreme fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Evacuations in effect.

**Skunk**, San Carlos Agency, BIA. Twenty-seven miles east of San Carlos, AZ. Timber, juniper and grass. Moderate fire behavior with group torching.

**Barlow**, San Carlos Agency, BIA. Thirty miles northeast of San Carlos, AZ. Timber, juniper and oak. Creeping and smoldering.

**Signal**, Gila NF. Ten miles north of Silver City, NM. Timber. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

\* **Badger**, Phoenix District, BLM. Six miles south of Cordes Lake, AZ. Grass. No further information received.

**Woods Canyon**, Apache-Sitgreaves NF. Twenty-three miles northwest of Payson, AZ. Timber. 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
Slide	AZ	COF	7,500	3,000	5	UNK	848	0	30	33	9	0	250K	FS
Skunk	AZ	SCA	38,259	1,201	N/A	N/A	181	5	4	7	1	0	1.2M	BIA

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Barlow	AZ	SCA	1,482	0	40	UNK	126	-19	4	5	1	0	670K	BIA
Signal	NM	GNF	5,484	0	90	UNK	181	-101	3	7	1	0	6.8M	FS
* Badger	AZ	PHD	487	---	90	UNK	43	---	1	2	1	0	NR	BLM
Woods Canyon	AZ	ASF	110	---	10	UNK	62	---	2	3	2	0	150K	FS
Research	AZ	A3S	816	0	100	UNK	1	-41	0	0	0	0	60K	ST

A3S – Tucson District, Arizona DOF

### Alaska Area (PL 3)

New fires: 7  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 2  
 Type 2 IMTs committed 2

**Funny River**, Kenai-Kodiak Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Kurth). Started on FWS land five miles southwest of Soldotna, AK. Logging slash, black spruce and grass. Active fire behavior with crowning. Numerous structures threatened.

**Tyonek**, Mat-Su Area, Alaska DOF. IMT 2 (Allbee). Two miles north of Tyonek, AK. Timber and grass. Interior burning with isolated torching. Numerous structures and energy infrastructure threatened. Evacuations in effect.

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
Funny River	AK	KKS	67,084	22,661	15	UNK	218	50	7	7	1	0	1.5M	FWS
Tyonek	AK	MSS	1,820	0	7	UNK	177	87	7	2	3	5	1.1M	ST

### Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 8  
 New large fires: 0  
 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
San Diego Complex	CA	MVU	2,436	0	100	---	24	-67	0	1	0	43	11.5M	ST

MVU – Monte Vista Unit Cal Fire

## Western Great Basin Area (PL 1)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	0
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
Hunter Falls	NV	HTF	740	0	100	---	138	-58	4	0	2	0	880K	FS

HTF – Humboldt-Toiyabe NF

## Other Fires

(As of May 23)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	1	500	2	0	2	58
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	0	0	0	0	0	0
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	500	2	0	2	58

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A slow-moving low pressure system over Arizona will continue to generate showers and thunderstorms for the Southwest U.S. and Rocky Mountains as it moves toward the Four Corners region. A weak upper level disturbance and cold front will deliver cooler weather and a chance of rain for the Pacific Northwest and Great Basin. High pressure will strengthen from the Southern Gulf States through the Mississippi Valley for warm and dry weather in the Eastern U.S. In Alaska, very dry conditions will continue with gusty winds over the southern portion of the state.

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



Leaders in the wildland fire service are not only empowered but also duty-bound to act on a situation that is within our power to affect, even without direction from above.

This empowerment is not intended to encourage freelancing. In a high-risk environment, freelancing is a dangerous and unpredictable element, causing more harm than good. Ultimately, leaders are always accountable for their actions.

- A bias for action acknowledges wildfire as an environment where events do not always go according to plan,
- At times during an incident, one person may be the only one in a position to see what needs to be done and to make it happen,
- Time may not permit gathering all of the information that one might like to have, if you wait until you have all the facts to be 100% sure it will almost always be too late.

In these time critical situations, fire leaders use judgment, act within the intent of their leaders, work in unison with others, develop and communicate a plan, and then inform leaders of actions as soon as safely possible.

On a chaotic and rapidly developing wildfire, one person taking the initiative can make all the difference in seizing and taking advantage of an opportunity. Being hesitant, risk-averse, or indecisive can expose firefighters to greater long-term risks and translate into a waste of time, opportunity, energy, and money.

#### **Discussion Points**

- Discuss the difference between freelancing and a bias for action.
- Describe and Discuss instances of taking appropriate action and indecisiveness / non-action.
- How are some ways we train for situations requiring a bias for action?

#### **References:**

[Wildland Fire Leadership Development Program](#)

[Leading In the Wildland Fire Service](#)

[Tactical Decision Games Library](#)

### Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	0	1	0	0	6	0	7
	ACRES	0	440	0	0	24,746	0	25,186
Northwest	FIREs	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Northern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	13	3	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	7	0	7
Southern California	FIREs	1	0	0	0	5	2	8
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Northern Rockies	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest	FIREs	3	2	0	0	2	6	13
	ACRES	1,451	12	0	0	366	7,526	9,355
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	0	2	0	0	1	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIREs	2	0	0	0	26	0	28
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	24	0	25
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	19	6	25
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	30	1,815	1,845
TOTAL	FIREs	6	8	0	0	75	18	107
	ACRES	1,453	452	0	0	25,175	9,341	36,421

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	0	10	0	0	132	8	150
	ACRES	0	1,078	0	0	46,365	5	47,448
Northwest	FIRES	28	12	14	0	73	32	159
	ACRES	1,043	19	16	0	189	48	1,315
Northern California	FIRES	0	2	2	0	792	72	868
	ACRES	0	34	17	0	1,114	981	2,146
Southern California	FIRES	20	25	5	5	1,861	139	2,055
	ACRES	223	34	57	3	17,278	4,631	22,226
Northern Rockies	FIRES	249	9	2	0	110	36	406
	ACRES	2,668	190	10	0	2,090	92	5,050
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	7	32	0	0	80	17	136
	ACRES	16	137	0	0	529	5	687
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	33	1	3	13	7	58
	ACRES	15	43	0	0	62	729	849
Southwest	FIRES	272	59	2	7	258	151	749
	ACRES	47,289	603	43	14	11,079	19,368	78,396
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	180	17	19	3	188	19	426
	ACRES	1,936	7	1,160	2,095	28,421	31	33,650
Eastern Area	FIRES	362	0	27	21	3,763	217	4,390
	ACRES	510	0	1,220	182	31,154	4,694	37,760
Southern Area	FIRES	413	0	40	25	13,220	422	14,120
	ACRES	113,265	0	2,886	281	184,291	25,831	326,554
TOTAL	FIRES	1,532	199	112	64	20,490	1,120	23,517
	ACRES	166,965	2,145	5,409	2,575	322,572	56,415	556,081

Ten Year Average Fires	27,769
Ten Year Average Acres	1,040,627

\*\*\* 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	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	384	384
Northern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies	FIREs	0	1	2	0	0	2	5
	ACRES	0	3,333	670	0	0	42	4,045
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	0	1	1	0	0	1	3
	ACRES	0	235	215	0	0	275	725
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	1	7	1	9
	ACRES	0		0	1	958	22	981
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	2	0	31	8	41
	ACRES	0	0	519	0	1,094	14,675	16,288
TOTAL	FIREs	0	2	5	1	38	14	60
	ACRES	0	3,568	1,404	1	2,052	15,400	22,425

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIREs	0	7	0	0	0	0	7
	ACRES	0	59,591	0	0	0	0	59,591
Northwest	FIREs	6	43	4	2	0	140	195
	ACRES	1,115	9,045	2,780	23	0	16,856	29,819
Northern California	FIREs	0	3	9	9	0	127	148
	ACRES	0	135	7,198	60	0	5,925	13,318
Southern California	FIREs	2	5	3	4	0	71	85
	ACRES	9	277	191	301	0	2,082	2,860
Northern Rockies	FIREs	9	19	38	4	6	92	168
	ACRES	180	8,020	9,225	3,253	193	13,144	34,015
Eastern Great Basin	FIREs	3	15	5	7	26	53	109
	ACRES	355	4,057	2,184	57	502	13,990	21,145
Western Great Basin	FIREs	0	2	0	0	7	3	12
	ACRES	0	476	0	0	147	216	839
Southwest	FIREs	3	14	4	0	1	43	65
	ACRES	1,600	12,892	96	0	75	17,194	31,857
Rocky Mountain	FIREs	14	35	49	14	64	72	248
	ACRES	1,591	2,731	13,430	383	2,337	10,173	30,645
Eastern Area	FIREs	48	0	235	26	1,041	138	1,488
	ACRES	58,192	0	36,924	4,727	63,000	60,473	223,316
Southern Area	FIREs	82	0	137	23	6,797	848	7,887
	ACRES	15,858	0	45,739	15,863	352,700	870,612	1,300,772
TOTAL	FIREs	167	143	484	89	7,942	1,587	10,412
	ACRES	78,900	97,224	117,767	24,667	418,954	1,010,665	1,748,177

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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	0	0	179	873
Yukon Territory	0	0	5	1
Alberta	13	32	389	694
Northwest Territory	0	0	2	1
Saskatchewan	10	509	116	2,050
Manitoba	1	0	31	946
Ontario	0	0	25	78
Quebec	4	1	47	57
Newfoundland	0	0	20	80
New Brunswick	0	0	110	85
Nova Scotia	0	0	91	420
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	5	2
Total	28	542	1,020	5,287

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 change, and therefore may not match official year-to-date agency records.

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