

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, March 13, 2015 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)

Initial attack activity: Light (279 new fires)
 New large incidents: 2(*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 1
 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: 189
 New large incidents: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 1

* **East Callaway Road**, Florida Forest Service. Four miles east of Callaway, FL. Timber litter. No fire behavior received. Structures threatened. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|----------------------|--------|-------|------|-----|--------------|-----|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| * East Callaway Road | FL-FLS | 250 | --- | 90 | Ctn | NR | 19 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |
| * 2015180065 | FL-FLS | 410 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 0 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |

Active Incident Resource Summary

| 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 |
| GB | 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 | 5 | 485 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 40 |
| Total | 5 | 485 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 40 |

*This table is updated daily and includes the total count of active fires and acres with resources assigned that have been reported in the SIT-209 program within the last seven days. This includes what has been reported in the Geographic Area summary tables above.

Fires and Acres Last Week (By Protection)

| 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 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| | ACRES | 166 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 172 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 2 | 26 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 3 | 10 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 7 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 3 | 13 |
| | ACRES | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,046 | 11 | 2,066 |
| Great Basin | FIRES | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 8 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 18 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 7 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 124 | 73 | 197 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 2 | 19 |
| | ACRES | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 135 | 26 | 166 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 12 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 181 | 1 | 189 |
| | ACRES | 90 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,089 | 1 | 1,180 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 18 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 235 | 22 | 279 |
| | ACRES | 270 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,421 | 130 | 3,821 |

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (By Protection)

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|-----|-----|--------|--------|---------|
| Alaska | FIRES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 9 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 7 | 34 |
| | ACRES | 264 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 2 | 288 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 133 | 28 | 162 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 345 | 0 | 133 | 283 | 761 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 176 | 29 | 214 |
| | ACRES | 4 | 1,866 | 1 | 0 | 6,574 | 1,811 | 10,256 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 8 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 5 | 21 |
| | ACRES | 13 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 2,056 | 15 | 2,120 |
| Great Basin | FIRES | 3 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 5 | 47 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 255 | 15 | 294 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 23 | 14 | 0 | 3 | 52 | 16 | 108 |
| | ACRES | 92 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 914 | 85 | 1,098 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 44 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 42 | 5 | 102 |
| | ACRES | 1,486 | 37 | 17 | 0 | 5,113 | 77 | 6,730 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 59 | 17 | 77 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 756 | 1,257 | 2,014 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 149 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5,501 | 107 | 5,759 |
| | ACRES | 11,370 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 56,875 | 8,343 | 76,654 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 239 | 47 | 9 | 8 | 6,004 | 219 | 6,526 |
| | ACRES | 13,230 | 1,969 | 429 | 1 | 72,700 | 11,888 | 100,217 |

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|------------------------|---------|
| Ten Year Average Fires | 8,995 |
| Ten Year Average Acres | 319,814 |

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

Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week (By Ownership)

| 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 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 7 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 1,777 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 725 | 2,502 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 7 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 250 | 31 | 0 | 861 | 1,142 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 13 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 134 | 234 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 11 |
| | ACRES | 550 | 865 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 650 | 2,065 |
| Great Basin | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 9 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 16 | 560 | 1 | 241 | 680 | 1,498 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 3,300 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 317 | 3,617 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 6 | 860 | 0 | 15 | 1,182 | 2,063 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 21 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 16 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 813 | 20 | 855 |
| | ACRES | 1,897 | 0 | 1,252 | 500 | 55,415 | 21,105 | 80,169 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 18 | 7 | 21 | 1 | 818 | 50 | 915 |
| | ACRES | 2,447 | 5,964 | 3,035 | 532 | 55,679 | 25,654 | 93,311 |

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year to Date (By Ownership)

| 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 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 51 | 70 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 17,295 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6,160 | 23,455 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 77 | 87 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 143 | 461 | 126 | 0 | 4,944 | 5,674 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 74 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 58 | 460 | 0 | 0 | 1,563 | 2,081 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 7 | 14 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 37 |
| | ACRES | 3,030 | 1,350 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 822 | 5,210 |
| Great Basin | FIRES | 0 | 14 | 1 | 8 | 20 | 18 | 61 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 411 | 560 | 78 | 394 | 2,591 | 4,034 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 3 | 12 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 59 | 83 |
| | ACRES | 59 | 4,514 | 418 | 21 | 0 | 7,810 | 12,822 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 1 | 22 | 4 | 8 | 24 | 57 | 116 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 702 | 974 | 146 | 166 | 13,773 | 15,762 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 0 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 27 | 19 | 59 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 243 | 0 | 1,496 | 15,145 | 16,884 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 55 | 0 | 86 | 8 | 3,873 | 350 | 4,372 |
| | ACRES | 10,670 | 0 | 79,772 | 13,350 | 235,768 | 311,929 | 651,489 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 66 | 83 | 123 | 31 | 3,944 | 712 | 4,959 |
| | ACRES | 13,760 | 24,473 | 82,896 | 13,721 | 237,824 | 364,737 | 737,411 |

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

Predictive Services Discussion: Exceptionally warm temperatures are expected from California through the northern Plains under an upper level ridge of high pressure through the weekend. This pattern will also provide favorable conditions for dry offshore winds in southern California through Saturday morning. In contrast, cooler conditions and precipitation will develop over the Pacific Northwest before moving into the Northern Rockies and central Plains next week. Further north it will remain cold and breezy in Alaska with opportunities for light snow. Significant, but short-lived precipitation is anticipated this weekend over the northeast U.S. as a result of two troughs merging together. By Tuesday moist, southerly flow from Mexico will combine with an upper level trough of low pressure in the Southwest and southern Plains to bring widespread precipitation to that region, including the Rocky Mountains and portions of the Great Basin.

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

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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WILDLAND/URBAN INTERFACE WATCHOUTS

Operational Engagement Category

The primary consideration is to first assure firefighter and public safety. It is a must to assess potential fire behavior, ingress/egress routes, nature of the threat, hazardous materials, and available water supplies before engaging in the protection of any structures. The first step in conducting a safe operation is to assess whether the firefighting operations can be conducted safely.

- Consider the “Wildland/Urban Interface Watchouts” in completing a risk analysis for the urban interface area to be protected. Remember there are three categories of structures:
 - Those that are not threatened.
 - Those that are threatened.
 - Those that have already been lost or too dangerous to protect.
- Wildland/Urban Interface Watchouts:
 - Poor access and narrow, one-way roads. A rapidly spreading fire could trap apparatus and personnel before they can turn around or move away from the flames and smoke.
 - Observe bridge limits. Exceeding bridge limits could lead to bridge failure with a resultant blocking of ingress/egress routes that could result in the loss of an escape route or loss of equipment.
 - Inadequate water supply. Without a reserve supply of water, the fire can overtake an area before the fuels can be cleared away.
 - Natural fuels are located 30 feet or closer to structures on level ground. Remember structures on slopes require greater clearance. Structures are located on canyon slopes or “chimneys” on slopes of 30% or more with continuous, flashy fuels. The resulting rate of spread of any fire in this terrain can quickly extend beyond control.
- Extreme fire behavior: Situations involving crowning, large flame heights and erratic fire behavior can extend in an unpredictable manner beyond the control of any number of personnel. Strong winds of 25+ MPH: Winds increase the chance of spotting over the heads of firefighters and trapping them between both fire areas. Winds also cause greater preheating of fuels in the path of a fire front.
 - The need to evacuate the public, livestock, pets, and/or animals. This critical activity can pull personnel from the firefighting activity and can distract attention from fire behavior at a time when the greatest alertness is needed.
 - Propane and above ground fuel tanks that are next to wooden structures or close to vegetation
 - Power lines and poles: What is their location in relation to the structures that are being protected? Watch for both overhead and downed power lines.
 - Local citizens are attempting suppression activities. Lack of knowledge in fire suppression may lead to unsafe tactics.
 - Airtanker retardant drops and helicopter bucket operations: Establish communications and keep fire personnel out of the drop zone.

References:

Incident Response Pocket Guide pages 12-16

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