

**National Interagency Coordination Center**  
**Incident Management Situation Report**  
**Friday, December 23, 2016 – 0800 MT**  
**National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (Dec. 16 – Dec. 22)**

Initial attack activity: Light (200 new fires)

New large incidents:	9
Large fires contained:	6
Uncontained large fires:**	3
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:	8
Uncontained large fires:	3
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

\* **Tentan**, Oklahoma DOF. Eight miles northeast of Colegate, OK. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior with creeping.

\* **Living Lane Road**, Southeast Area, Oklahoma DOF. Four miles southeast of Idabel, OK. Timber. Active fire behavior with short crown runs and running.

**Cobbly Nob**, Tennessee DOF. Ten miles east of Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Dormant brush, hardwood slash and hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Tentan	OK-OKS	750	---	60	Ctn	12/24	8	---	0	4	0	0	4K	ST
* Living Lane Road	OK-SEU	200	---	61	Ctn	12/23	35	---	0	12	0	0	3K	ST
Cobbly Nob	TN-TNS	764	---	96	Ctn	UNK	28	---	1	2	0	108	356K	ST
Chimney Tops 2	TN-GSP	17,140	0	100	Ctn	---	4	-11	0	0	0	2,066	8.3M	NPS
* Optima	OK-OKS	4,769	---	100	Ctn	---	34	---	0	15	0	0	40K	ST
* Carson 1059	TX-TXS	4,000	---	100	Ctn	---	4	---	0	1	0	0	1K	PRI
* Green Baca	TX-TXS	2,000	---	100	Ctn	---	6	---	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
* 1260	TX-TXS	432	---	100	Ctn	---	9	---	0	2	0	0	1K	PRI
* Red Hill	OK-OKS	250	---	100	Comp	---	3	---	0	1	0	0	2K	ST
* Hancock Mtn	OK-OKS	150	---	100	Comp	---	4	---	0	1	0	0	2K	ST

GSP – Great Smoky NP TXS – Texas A & M Forest Service

## Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires:	6
New large incidents:	1
Uncontained large fires:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* 48	CO-HUX	2,000	---	100	Ctn	---	70	---	0	10	0	0	1K	C&L

HUX – Huerfano County

### Active Incident Resource Summary

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
EACC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SACC	12	29,853.6	0	41	0	120
<b>Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29,853.6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>120</b>

### Fires and Acres Last Week (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	4	0	1	0	-2	3
	ACRES	0	5	0	1	0	0	6
Southwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	4	0	0	0	2	0	6
	ACRES	16	0	0	0	2,000	0	2,016
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIREs	6	0	0	0	178	5	189
	ACRES	157	0	0	0	5,682	23	5,862
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>200</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>173</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7,682</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>7,889</b>

**Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Protection):**

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	182	0	0	375	15	572
	ACRES	0	391,262	0	0	105,200	5	496,467
Northwest Area	FIREs	299	246	32	26	1,226	685	2,514
	ACRES	41,132	353,028	2,778	5,042	62,837	48,386	513,203
Northern California Area	FIREs	111	9	1	26	2,772	434	3,353
	ACRES	145	227	1	5	50,226	46,080	96,684
Southern California Area	FIREs	15	101	11	55	3,223	447	3,852
	ACRES	5,971	30,072	405	1,147	124,321	310,849	472,765
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	800	100	10	27	1,280	483	2,700
	ACRES	14,733	6,050	2,010	61,914	56,199	61,234	202,140
Great Basin Area	FIREs	35	758	8	59	656	547	2,063
	ACRES	12,439	303,204	3	25,697	139,222	281,056	761,621
Southwest Area	FIREs	902	261	11	68	1,066	1,188	3,496
	ACRES	82,128	66,570	6,976	32,340	133,527	261,272	582,813
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	866	453	8	23	1,374	760	3,484
	ACRES	27,451	35,085	531	1,864	524,863	99,014	688,808
Eastern Area	FIREs	519	0	31	65	9,732	460	10,807
	ACRES	2,209	0	1,113	1,061	82,338	9,175	95,896
Southern Area	FIREs	477	1	60	80	28,569	836	30,023
	ACRES	138,000	1	1,556	28,926	1,207,101	129,140	1,504,724
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>4,024</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>429</b>	<b>50,273</b>	<b>5,855</b>	<b>62,864</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>324,208</b>	<b>1,185,499</b>	<b>15,373</b>	<b>157,996</b>	<b>2,485,834</b>	<b>1,246,211</b>	<b>5,415,121</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>71,594</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>6,975,668</b>

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week (by Ownership):**

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
	ACRES	0	68	0	0	0	0	68
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	2	0	592	594
Southern California Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	10	0	0	0	0	38	48
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
	ACRES	3	37	0	0	0	60	100
Southwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	170	170
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	0	0	1	4	5	10
	ACRES	0	0	0	2	83	1,451	1,536
Eastern Area	FIREs	0		1	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0		1	0	0	20	21
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	249	4	253
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	5,197	6,290	11,487
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		1	5	1	1	253	16	277
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		13	105	1	4	5,280	8,621	14,024

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date (by Ownership):**

Area	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL	
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	2	0	11	2	15
	ACRES	0	0	62	0	33,377	138	33,577
Northwest Area	FIREs	14	143	20	2	9	470	658
	ACRES	9,554	15,168	1,159	29	1,128	66,256	93,294
Northern California Area	FIREs	8	3	11	18	0	264	304
	ACRES	103	336	3,813	2,705	0	27,875	34,832
Southern California Area	FIREs	1	5	11	5	0	166	188
	ACRES	10	71	2,162	1,391	0	6,254	9,888
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	20	45	59	13	121	419	677
	ACRES	5,710	7,685	14,333	956	7,001	27,289	62,974
Great Basin Area	FIREs	4	38	11	15	47	116	231
	ACRES	195	8,466	5,624	2,582	2,159	39,649	58,675
Southwest Area	FIREs	34	33	3	9	9	196	284
	ACRES	24,068	26,943	92	2,349	3,425	97,360	154,237
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	41	38	70	31	87	141	408
	ACRES	9,470	5,196	24,105	8,635	4,800	52,072	104,278
Eastern Area	FIREs	87	0	370	44	1,481	286	2,268
	ACRES	45,614	0	52,416	7,298	103,388	57,945	266,661
Southern Area	FIREs	26	0	197	69	13,544	1,008	14,844
	ACRES	4,876	0	162,624	51,834	749,043	900,647	1,869,024
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>754</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>15,309</b>	<b>3,068</b>	<b>19,877</b>	
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>	<b>99,600</b>	<b>63,865</b>	<b>266,390</b>	<b>77,779</b>	<b>904,321</b>	<b>1,275,485</b>	<b>2,687,440</b>	

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

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

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Another strong system will bring snow to the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies Friday and Saturday and a mix of valley rain and mountain snow to other locations across the West including the drought starved areas of California and Nevada. On Christmas Day, a major winter storm is possible across the Northern Plains. Portions of the Central Plains could experience icy conditions. A weaker, but cold and windy system will move into the Pacific Northwest and Northern Rockies Tuesday bringing more mountain snowfall while a second system moves south along the coast of Southern California triggering showers along coastal areas. Showers are expected across the Southern Plains and Ohio River Valley Wednesday as the Subtropical Jet Stream pumps in Gulf moisture that will be collected by a passing front that will bring moisture to the Southeast by Thursday.

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



## UNINFORMED ON STRATEGY, TACTICS OR HAZARDS

*Operational Engagement*

Firefighters who are uninformed on strategy, tactics or hazards are in conflict with Watchout Situation #5. Before going to the fireline, it is imperative that firefighters obtain information about strategies, tactics or hazards by asking themselves the following questions:

- Can communications be established to find out strategy, tactics or hazards? Discuss ways you might establish communications; for example, contacting someone who is already on the fire and asking them what tactics and strategies are working or not working, what hazards they have witnessed, etc.
- Can scouting safely identify potential hazards? Talk about different methods of scouting a fire (e.g., using a lookout from your crew or sending a line scout ahead, utilizing air attack or the spotter on a smokejumper airplane). Discuss what types of hazards you might come across and ways you would mitigate them. For example, arriving at a fire after dark and a being instructed to dig line downhill with the fire below. How could you make this a safe situation?
- Have strategies, tactics or hazards changed since last informed? Discuss situations that might alter the way you are fighting a fire (e.g., wind shifts, resources you expected don't arrive, etc.). Also, think about what new hazards can develop while you are on the fireline (e.g., roots burning out and trees coming down, winds shifting direction and speed, etc.)
- Can you get a briefing from your supervisor? Talk about the importance of constant communications and ensuring firefighters are on the same page with strategies and tactics. For example, if one crew decides to do a burnout, but doesn't let the crew at the other end of the line know what they are doing, then what can happen?
- To reduce the risks:
  - Post lookouts.
  - Determine escape routes and establish safety zones.
  - Consider retreating until you are informed.
  - Don't leave a staging area or operational briefing until you have all the pertinent information. Emphasize ways to inform firefighters about strategies, tactics and hazards. Tell a story about when you were uninformed and what you did to correct the situation so that you were safe.
  - Use the Incident Response Pocket Guide standard briefing

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.