

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, March 18, 2016 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (Mar. 11 – Mar. 17)**

Initial attack activity:	Light (626 new fires)
New large incidents:	13
Large fires contained:	11
Uncontained large fires:**	6
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 2)**

New fires:	546
New large incidents:	9
Uncontained large fires:	4

\* **Maker**, Osage Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Prue, OK. Tall grass and hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

\* **Mini Post Lane**, Texas A & M Forest Service. Started on private land 13 miles southwest of Channing, TX. Tall grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior.

\* **Canadian Oxbow**, Oklahoma DOF. Six miles southeast of Mooreland, OK. Tall grass and brush. Active fire behavior with running and flanking.

**Katie**, Oklahoma DOF. Three miles southwest of Dustin, OK. Timber and short grass. Minimal fire behavior. 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			
* Maker	OK-OSA	1,090	---	80	Ctn	3/25	24	---	0	5	0	0	15K	BIA
* Mini Post Lane	TX-TXS	860	---	98	Ctn	UNK	14	---	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
* Canadian Oxbow	OK-OKS	804	---	75	Ctn	UNK	38	---	0	12	0	0	4K	ST
Katie	OK-OKS	1,630	0	65	Ctn	UNK	0	-30	0	0	0	0	9K	ST
Mustang	OK-OSA	11,257	0	100	Ctn	---	3	-19	0	1	0	0	83K	BIA
* County Line Road	NC-NCS	980	---	100	Ctn	---	18	---	0	9	0	0	9K	ST
* Tech	OK-ECU	678	---	100	Ctn	---	8	---	0	3	0	0	3K	ST
* Clark	OK-OKS	327	---	100	Ctn	---	2	---	0	1	0	0	16K	ST
* Boiling Springs Road	NC-NCS	331	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	15K	ST
* French	SC-FMF	161	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	23K	FS
* Gunlock	KY-KYS	124	---	100	Ctn	---	28	---	3	0	0	0	4K	PRI

NCS – North Carolina FS  
KYS – Kentucky DOF

ECU – East Central Area, Oklahoma DOF

FMF – Francis Marion & Sumter NF

**Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 33  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Boss Ranch**, Coronado NF. Nineteen miles northeast of Douglas, AZ. Tall grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Boss Ranch	AZ-CNF	1,253	0	98	Ctn	UNK	12	-67	0	2	1	0	100K	FS

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 1  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Cherry**, Miles City Field Office, BLM. Started on county land 23 miles northwest of Terry, MT. Short grass. Minimal fire behavior. 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			
Cherry	MT-MCD	440	0	50	Ctn	UNK	0	-7	0	0	0	0	5K	CNTY

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 20  
 New large incidents: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Marion Upland Road	KS-MNX	600	---	100	Ctn	---	53	---	0	17	0	0	5K	C&L
* Rourke 2	WY-BFD	453	---	100	Ctn	---	8	---	0	4	0	0	75K	BLM
* Tabor Rec Area	SD-SDS	350	---	100	Ctn	---	49	---	0	11	0	0	10K	ST

MNX – Marion County

BFD – Buffalo Field Office, BLM

SDS- South Dakota Wildland Fire Suppression

**Eastern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 4  
 New large incidents: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Sooy Road	NJ-NJS	347	---	100	Ctn	---	26	---	0	6	1	0	15K	ST

NJS – New Jersey Forest Fire Service

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AKCC	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	2	1,278	3	4	1	99
RMCC	3	1,403	0	32	0	110
EACC	2	348	0	12	1	41
SACC	19	18,286	14	35	1	204
<b>Total</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>21,315</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>454</b>

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
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	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	16	0	16
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	17	0	17
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	80	1	81
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southwest Area	FIRES	22	2	0	1	3	5	33
	ACRES	31	3	0	15	3	1	53
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	7	0	0	0	11	2	20
	ACRES	55	0	0	0	603	0	658
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	210	0	4	214
Southern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	1	527	17	546
	ACRES	2	0	0	1	6,522	382	6,907
TOTAL FIRES:		30	2	0	3	564	27	626
TOTAL ACRES:		88	3	0	226	7,227	388	7,932

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

<b>Area</b>		<b>BIA</b>	<b>BLM</b>	<b>FWS</b>	<b>NPS</b>	<b>ST/OT</b>	<b>USFS</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	3	0	0	6	0	<b>9</b>
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	1	0	<b>2</b>
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	3	<b>4</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	65	8	<b>73</b>
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	6,104	3	<b>6,107</b>
Southern California Area	FIRES	2	0	0	0	189	20	<b>211</b>
	ACRES	5	0	0	0	44	2	<b>51</b>
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	23	3	0	0	83	2	<b>111</b>
	ACRES	67	49	0	0	787	2	<b>905</b>
Great Basin Area	FIRES	4	10	3	2	11	2	<b>32</b>
	ACRES	4	30	0	0	9	1	<b>44</b>
Southwest Area	FIRES	99	23	0	4	101	41	<b>268</b>
	ACRES	1,377	6,936	0	3,374	14,745	9,153	<b>35,585</b>
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	67	4	0	2	77	15	<b>165</b>
	ACRES	452	8	1	0	50,729	396	<b>51,586</b>
Eastern Area	FIRES	7	0	1	6	316	80	<b>410</b>
	ACRES	4	0	19	702	1,262	3,323	<b>5,310</b>
Southern Area	FIRES	182	0	5	2	5,043	166	<b>5,398</b>
	ACRES	55,929	0	4	1	117,451	16,688	<b>190,073</b>
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>384</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5,892</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>6,681</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>57,838</b>	<b>7,024</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>4,077</b>	<b>191,132</b>	<b>29,568</b>	<b>289,663</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>9,967</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)</b>	<b>360,608</b>

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	350	0	0	0	0	350
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	2	0	14	16
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	100	100
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	99	99
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	6	0	0	6
Great Basin Area	FIRES	1	1	1	0	0	2	5
	ACRES	20	1	0	0	20	192	233
Southwest Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	6	7
	ACRES	376	0	0	0	0	4,113	4,489
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	4	3	1	0	4	12
	ACRES	0	44	2,242	2	0	101	2,389
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	0	0	6	7
	ACRES	0	0	100	0	0	2,020	2,120
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	3	2	1,055	36	1,096
	ACRES	0	0	2,420	1,750	61,003	35,535	100,708
TOTAL FIRES:		2	6	8	7	1,055	156	1,234
TOTAL ACRES:		396	395	4,762	1,760	61,023	42,079	110,415

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
	ACRES	0	350	0	0	0	38	388
Northwest Area	FIRES	0	9	0	0	0	9	18
	ACRES	0	964	0	0	0	249	1,213
Northern California Area	FIRES	2	1	2	4	0	73	82
	ACRES	27	90	187	18	0	2,953	3,275
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	2	2	0	0	85	89
	ACRES	0	9	80	0	0	2,815	2,904
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	7	5	0	3	0	6	21
	ACRES	5,556	3,188	0	6	0	332	9,082
Great Basin Area	FIRES	1	13	4	7	9	16	50
	ACRES	20	1,316	225	133	62	1,489	3,245
Southwest Area	FIRES	4	22	1	3	1	46	77
	ACRES	757	16,104	25	25	2	11,395	28,308
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	7	23	11	3	22	51	117
	ACRES	306	1,048	5,661	226	649	21,920	29,810
Eastern Area	FIRES	5	0	17	4	216	27	269
	ACRES	15,786	0	854	671	16,129	11,400	44,840
Southern Area	FIRES	7	0	97	26	5,358	572	6,060
	ACRES	892	0	77,358	9,171	356,144	517,550	961,115
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>33</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>5,606</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>6,785</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>23,344</b>	<b>23,069</b>	<b>84,390</b>	<b>10,250</b>	<b>372,986</b>	<b>570,141</b>	<b>1,084,180</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:** The weather pattern this weekend will feature a warm and dry high pressure system over the western U.S. including southern California and the southwest. Meanwhile, a broad trough of low pressure east of the Rockies will provide stormy conditions focused along cold frontal boundaries. In particular, a stationary front will bring more rainfall to the Gulf Coast and southeast regions where flooding concerns persist. Another storm system will progress from the mid-west through the mid-Atlantic and northeast with a spring mix of precipitation, including heavy wet snowfall. By mid-week this pattern will transition to more of a westerly, zonal flow with relatively neutral conditions over much of the Nation. In the west next week warm, dry and breezy conditions will re-develop over the southwest, while another round of mountain snowfall and valley rain will fall over the Pacific Northwest.

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



## TRANSFER OF COMMAND

*Operational Engagement Category*

Risks to fireline personnel increase significantly during transfer of command periods regardless of the size or complexity of the incident. There is a high potential for fatalities, serious injuries, or incidents with potential during transfer of command periods (some have occurred in the past). Be proactive in mitigating the risks by proper implementation of LCES—Lookout, Communications, Escape Routes, and Safety Zones.

Factors for increased risks to fireline personnel during transition periods include:

- No, or poor, briefing of incoming personnel
- Lack of fire weather and behavior information, both forecast and observed
- Communications; face-to-face briefings may not be possible and radio frequencies may be overextended and/or changing due to the increased demands on the system.
- Initial attack resources may not have checked-in and the Incident Commander may not be aware of the number, type and location of all resources.
- Location of safety zones and escape routes may not be known and communicated to all resources.
- Not all Resources know who is in command.

Mitigation actions to take:

- Lookouts: Post and maintain your own lookouts.
- Communications: Maintain existing communications with your own and adjacent resources, as well as your original supervisor, while you are developing communications with incoming adjacent resources and your new supervisor.
- Escape routes and safety zones: Identify escape routes and assure incoming resources are aware of their locations; be aware that your original escape routes and safety zones may no longer be accessible due to changing fire behavior or your increased distance from them.
- Transition at the morning briefing
- Utilize the Incident Response Pocket Guide transition checklist