

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, May 27, 2016 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1

National Fire Activity (May 20 – May 26)

Initial attack activity:	Light (466 new fires)
New large incidents:	11
Large fires contained:	4
Uncontained large fires:**	4
Area Command Teams Committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

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

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

Ten wildland fire suppression crews are assigned to support large fires in Alberta, Canada.

Southwest Area (PL 3)

New fires:	62
New large incidents:	9
Uncontained large fires:	3

Coyote, Guadalupe Mountains NP. IMT 2 (Nieto). Six miles northwest of Pine Springs, TX. Timber, chaparral and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and creeping. Structures threatened. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

* **Paddy Creek**, Fort Apache Agency, BIA. Twenty-six miles southeast of Whiteriver, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, single tree torching, and short-range spotting. Area closures in effect.

* **Juniper**, Tonto NF. Ten miles south of Young, AZ. Timber and chaparral. Moderate fire behavior with backing. Area closures in effect. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **North**, Cibola NF. Twenty five miles southwest of Magdalena, NM. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Mormon**, Coconino NF. Six miles east of Munds Park, AZ. Closed timber litter. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Cowboy**, Coconino NF. Nine miles south of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Pivot Rock**, Coconino NF. Eight miles northeast of Pine, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and isolated torching. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

* **Spur**, Gila NF. Ten miles north of Reserve, NM. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking and backing. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

La Sierra, Coronado NF. Nine miles northwest of Nogales, AZ. Short grass and chaparral. Minimal fire behavior.

* **Gordon**, Colorado River Agency, BIA. Fifteen miles southwest of Vidal, CA. Chaparral, brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Coyote	TX-GUP	14,351	2,531	50	Comp	7/10	278	182	5	5	2	0	3.8M	NPS
* Paddy Creek	AZ-FTA	778	---	0	Ctn	5/30	333	---	10	10	5	0	250K	BIA
* Juniper	AZ-TNF	3,000	---	5	Comp	UNK	296	---	7	14	1	0	1.1M	FS
* North	NM-CIF	2,530	---	0	Comp	7/15	117	---	3	5	1	0	250K	FS
* Mormon	AZ-COF	1,200	---	0	Comp	6/12	109	---	3	5	0	0	100K	FS
* Cowboy	AZ-COF	2,170	---	0	Comp	6/6	45	---	1	3	0	0	110K	FS
* Pivot Rock	AZ-COF	1,000	---	0	Comp	6/3	61	---	1	5	0	0	75K	FS
* Spur	NM-GNF	815	---	0	Comp	7/10	67	---	2	2	0	0	35K	FS
La Sierra	AZ-CNF	5,000	200	90	Ctn	5/27	42	-175	2	0	1	0	1M	FS
* Gordon	AZ-CRA	444	---	90	Ctn	UNK	34	---	1	2	0	0	65K	BIA
* Ridge	AZ-CNF	1,353	---	100	Ctn	---	74	---	2	10	0	0	200K	FS

Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 86
 New large incidents: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Foss Lake, Superior NF. Transfer of command from Minnesota IMT 2 (Pisarek) back to the local unit will occur today. Three miles northwest of Robinson, MN. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Decrease in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
Foss Lake	MN-SUF	936	-64	95	Ctn	6/1	163	47	4	0	1	0	2.3M	FS
* Circle Lake	MN-DLR	308	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	10K	FWS

DLR – Detroit Lakes Wetland Management District, FWS

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 116
 New large incidents: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli				
* Metz	CA-BEU	3,876	---	100	Ctn	---	5	---	0	0	0	0	825K	ST
Camp Roberts	CA-SLU	3,712	-88	100	Ctn	---	0	-33	0	0	0	0	542K	ST

BEU – San Benito-Monterey Unit, Cal Fire

SLU – San Luis Obispo Unit, Cal Fire

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	2	7,744	7	15	0	222
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	12	41,692	37	61	10	1,456
RMCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
EACC	1	936	4	0	1	163
SACC	3	173	0	8	1	37
Total	18	50,545	48	84	12	1,878

Fires and Acres Last Week (by Protection):

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	4	0	0	14	0	18
	ACRES	0	40	0	0	1	0	41
Northwest Area	FIREs	0	1	0	1	0	1	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIREs	1	0	0	1	58	5	65
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	107	137	245
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	4	0	0	101	11	116
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	6,608	1,162	7,771
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	6	0	0	4	4	14
	ACRES	0	60	0	0	1	0	61
Southwest Area	FIREs	14	5	0	2	22	19	62
	ACRES	415	5	0	0	15	8,854	9,289
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	2	3	0	0	5	10	20
	ACRES	85	1	0	0	84	6	176
Eastern Area	FIREs	23	0	2	2	42	17	86
	ACRES	9	0	309	1	116	47	482
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	76	5	81
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	451	44	495
TOTAL FIRES:		40	23	2	6	323	72	466
TOTAL ACRES:		510	107	309	1	7,383	10,250	18,560

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	31	0	0	124	0	155
	ACRES	0	441	0	0	3,245	0	3,686
Northwest Area	FIREs	45	18	3	1	143	44	254
	ACRES	42	1,329	13	0	526	24	1,934
Northern California Area	FIREs	4	0	0	4	379	49	436
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	8,330	188	8,519
Southern California Area	FIREs	4	20	1	3	759	66	853
	ACRES	5	141	1	7	9,362	1,806	11,322
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	338	8	6	0	310	28	690
	ACRES	3,255	390	1,363	0	4,983	1,131	11,122
Great Basin Area	FIREs	5	52	3	5	44	20	129
	ACRES	11	124	0	0	54	4	193
Southwest Area	FIREs	292	74	2	16	385	227	996
	ACRES	7,619	57,942	2,717	17,007	46,779	40,905	172,969
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	150	17	2	3	254	49	475
	ACRES	1,023	44	138	833	370,437	2,748	375,223
Eastern Area	FIREs	490	0	19	18	4,009	292	4,828
	ACRES	1,882	0	1,047	910	25,954	5,021	34,814
Southern Area	FIREs	295	0	15	42	10,295	344	10,991
	ACRES	86,304	0	26	22,554	814,134	32,897	955,915
TOTAL FIRES:		1,623	220	51	92	16,702	1,119	19,807
TOTAL ACRES:		100,142	60,411	5,305	41,311	1,283,804	84,724	1,575,697

Ten Year Average Fires (2006 – 2015 as of today)	27,757
Ten Year Average Acres (2006 – 2015 as of today)	1,184,178

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	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	0	1	0	0	2	3
	ACRES	0	0	65	0	0	35	100
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	1	0	0	2	3
	ACRES	0	0	208	0	0	8	216
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	2	3	0	0	5	10
	ACRES	0	280	752	0	0	246	1,278
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	0	3	4
	ACRES	0	8	0	0	11	140	159
Southwest Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	4	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	108	108
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	0	2	0	1	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	1,157	0	1	0	1,158
Eastern Area	FIREs	0	0	6	0	1	7	14
	ACRES	0	0	801	0	80	2,336	3,217
Southern Area	FIREs	0	0	7	0	129	31	167
	ACRES	0	0	1,068	0	5,891	24,703	31,662
TOTAL FIRES:		0	3	20	0	131	54	208
TOTAL ACRES:		0	288	4,051	0	5,983	27,576	37,898

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	6	0	0	2	1	9
	ACRES	0	28,164	0	0	1,566	38	29,768
Northwest Area	FIREs	5	21	3	0	0	140	169
	ACRES	665	1,990	281	0	0	22,920	25,856
Northern California Area	FIREs	3	1	9	6	0	121	140
	ACRES	41	90	3,356	213	0	8,040	11,740
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	5	3	0	0	135	143
	ACRES	0	71	288	0	0	3,577	3,936
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	12	12	54	10	12	135	235
	ACRES	5,316	4,358	12,460	570	696	14,485	37,885
Great Basin Area	FIREs	4	22	6	5	33	60	130
	ACRES	110	2,053	3,584	117	696	21,649	28,209
Southwest Area	FIREs	8	30	3	8	1	100	150
	ACRES	894	22,071	92	2,331	2	52,785	78,175
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	10	30	40	8	68	66	222
	ACRES	585	4,801	19,650	485	4,388	25,629	55,538
Eastern Area	FIREs	50	0	200	23	659	174	1,106
	ACRES	46,498	0	35,897	5,774	47,630	55,310	191,109
Southern Area	FIREs	15	0	160	63	8,883	852	9,973
	ACRES	1,568	0	119,852	50,329	583,726	796,872	1,552,347
TOTAL FIRES:		107	127	478	123	9,658	1,784	12,277
TOTAL ACRES:		55,677	63,598	195,460	59,819	638,704	1,001,305	2,014,563

*** 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/>

Canada Fires and Hectares

PROVINCES	FIRES 5/23-5/26	HECTARES 5/23-526	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
BRITISH COLUMBIA	21	7	309	90,759
YUKON TERRITORY	0	0	10	377
ALBERTA	47	43,385	515	581,941
NORTHWEST TERRITORY	0	0	1	8
SASKATCHEWAN	3	0	170	2,764
MANITOBA	1	0	75	83,446
ONTARIO	34	15,388	210	81,058
QUEBEC	19	23	193	111
NEWFOUNDLAND	7	12	40	68
NEW BRUNSWICK	7	1	206	212
NOVA SCOTIA	3	1	166	288
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	0	0	0	0
NATIONAL PARKS	1	0	11	0
TOTALS	143	58,817	1,906	841,032

* 1 Hectare = 2.47 Acres

Predictive Services Discussion: A broad trough will remain over the West with a ridge in the East. A series of smaller upper level lows will move through the western trough, bringing scattered showers and thunderstorms to the Intermountain region, especially across the Great Basin and the northern Rockies. Persistent southwesterly flow through the central U.S. will bring strong thunderstorms to the Plains while scattered rain and thunderstorms develop over the eastern States. Temperatures will remain very warm with high humidity across the central and eastern U.S. Mild conditions in the West will gradually warm through week. A persistent ridge over Alaska will keep warm and dry conditions for most of the state through the week. Downslope winds will affect the Alaska Range over the weekend.

<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.