

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, April 18, 2018 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (95) new fires
New large incidents:	5
Large fires contained:	5
Uncontained large fires:**	18
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	2
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

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

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

Active Incident Resource Summary						
GACC	Incidents	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	1	258	0	1	0	9
NRCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	6	66,663	19	41	7	822
RMCC	2	3,425	1	31	1	104
EACC	1	5,791	1	2	1	39
SACC	51	416,369	13	183	6	946
<b>Total</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>492,506</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1,920</b>

**Southern Area (PL 3)**

New fires:	27
New large incidents:	3
Uncontained large fires:	13
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Rhea**, Oklahoma DOF. Florida IMT 1 (Mousel). One mile west of Rhea, OK. Tall grass and brush. Active fire behavior with short crown runs and short-range spotting. Numerous structures threatened.

**34 Complex**, Oklahoma DOF. IMT 2 (Parrish). Six miles north of Woodward, OK. Tall grass and brush. Active fire behavior with torching, smoldering and creeping. Numerous residences threatened.

\* **McClellan**, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land fourteen miles west of Groom, TX. Grass and brush. Extreme fire behavior with running and long-range spotting. Residences threatened.

**Spoonbill**, Big Cypress National Preserve, NPS. Thirty miles east of Naples, FL. Southern rough and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

\* **Mashunkashey**, Osage Agency, BIA. Three miles north of Pawhuska, OK. Short grass and hardwood litter. Extreme fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**Harbor Bay**, Texas A & M Forest Service. One mile northwest of Fritch, TX. Tall grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**Gate Mountain**, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Eight miles west of Timberville, VA. Hardwood litter and brush. Minimal fire behavior. Residences threatened.

**2473**, Texas A & M Forest Service. Three miles southeast of Lefors, TX. Tall grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior. Structures threatened.

**High Plains**, Texas A & M Forest Service. Started on private land three miles north of Fritch, TX. Tall grass. Moderate fire behavior. Structures threatened.

\* **Matagorda Island**, Matagorda National Wildlife Refuge. Eight miles southwest of Port O'Connor, TX. Grass. Active fire behavior with running, backing and smoldering.

**Buzzard**, Big Cypress National Preserve, NPS. Previously reported incident. Twenty-five miles northeast of Ochopee, FL. Southern rough, timber and tall grass. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**Clear Creek**, Osage Agency, BIA. Seven Miles South West of Pawhuska, OK. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Cali**, Osage Agency, BIA. Eleven miles west of Skiatook OK. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Bruner**, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. Eight miles south of Mannford, OK. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Rhea	OK-OKS	253,663	5,074	3	Ctn	04/23	133	53	0	23	2	50	1M	ST
34 Complex	OK-OKS	67,778	0	45	Ctn	04/20	138	-80	0	12	0	55	1M	ST
* McClellan	TX-TXS	13,000	---	0	Ctn	04/21	64	---	1	3	1	0	1K	PRI
Spoonbill	FL-BCP	1,843	0	85	Ctn	05/01	3	0	0	0	0	0	250K	NPS
* Mashunkashey	OK-OSA	1,644	---	75	Ctn	UNK	9	---	0	4	0	0	4K	BIA
Harbor Bay	TX-TXS	1,109	0	90	Ctn	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	8	1K	ST
Gate Mountain	VA-VAF	1,040	0	95	Ctn	04/21	38	-4	1	0	1	0	90K	FS
2473	TX-TXS	805	0	80	Ctn	04/18	14	0	0	1	0	0	1K	ST
High Plains	TX-TXS	501	0	90	Ctn	04/18	1	-17	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
* Matagorda Island	TX-MAR	500	---	90	Ctn	04/20	7	---	0	0	0	0	2K	FWS
Buzzard	FL-BCP	3,206	---	0	Comp	05/01	68	---	1	7	3	1	2.5M	NPS
Clear Creek	OK-OSA	2,700	---	60	Ctn	04/20	79	---	0	42	0	0	6K	BIA
Cali	OK-OSA	796	---	85	Ctn	04/18	12	---	0	4	0	0	3K	BIA
Bruner	OK-OMA	334	---	50	Ctn	UNK	33	---	0	10	0	0	30K	BIA

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Carbon	TX-TXS	12,530	0	100	Ctn	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
Walston	TX-TXS	1,400	0	100	Ctn	---	1	-29	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
CR 26	TX-TXS	1,386	0	100	Ctn	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI
Check Point	TX-TXS	1,155	655	100	Ctn	---	1	-1	0	0	0	0	1K	PRI

### **Southwest Area (PL 3)**

New fires: 8  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 4  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

**Diener Canyon**, Cibola NF. IMT 1 (Pierson). IMT is also managing the Blue Water fire. Seven miles south of Blue Water, NM. Timber. Active fire behavior with wind driven runs, spotting and torching. Numerous residences threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Blue Water**, Cibola NF. Two miles south of Blue Water, NM. Timber. Active fire behavior with wind driven runs, spotting and torching. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

**Rattlesnake**, Fort Apache Agency, BIA. IMT 2 (Andrews). Twenty-four miles southwest of Alpine, AZ. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with backing and creeping. Road, area and trail closures in effect.

**246**, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Five miles north of Capitan, NM. Tall grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and creeping. Residences threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Diener Canyon	NM-CIF	9,304	1,303	68	Ctn	05/31	371	26	9	19	3	0	1.6M	FS
Blue Water	NM-CIF	2,772	246	7	Ctn	05/31	37	0	1	3	0	0	253K	FS
Rattlesnake	AZ-FTA	6,690	419	5	Ctn	04/25	276	0	5	7	3	0	1.4M	BIA
246	NM-N5S	3,360	0	90	Ctn	04/19	131	0	4	9	1	16	590K	ST

### **Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 11  
 New large incidents: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

\* **Crowheart**, Fremont County. Two miles southeast of Crowheart, WY. Short grass and brush. Extreme fire behavior with running and flanking. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Crowheart	WY-FRX	700	---	65	Ctn	04/18	43	---	1	9	0	1	45K	C&L

**Eastern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 48  
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			
* Castle	WV-MOF	363	---	100	Ctn	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	200K	FS

MOF – Monongahela NF

**Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):**

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	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	0	0	0
	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	0	0
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	2	3	0	0	2	1	8
	ACRES	7	16	0	0	342	0	365
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	9	1	11
	ACRES	305	0	0	0	453	11	769
Eastern Area	FIRES	5	0	0	0	42	1	48
	ACRES	6	0	0	0	51	30	87
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	1	24	2	27
	ACRES	0	0	0	504	354	31	889
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>318</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>504</b>	<b>1,200</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>2,110</b>

**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	1	0	0	5	2	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	18	1	19
Northwest Area	FIRES	13	9	1	0	27	13	63
	ACRES	203	50	4	0	106	0	363
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	6	0	0	212	18	236
	ACRES	0	10	0	0	135	39	184
Southern California Area	FIRES	4	1	0	1	433	27	466
	ACRES	1	28	0	250	2,250	8	2,537
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	2	0	0	0	5	4	11
	ACRES	1	0	0	0	433	0	434
Great Basin Area	FIRES	3	40	0	6	66	7	122
	ACRES	50	731	0	35	1,889	13	2,718
Southwest Area	FIRES	170	42	1	8	207	103	531
	ACRES	3,127	618	215	3,288	87,675	9,508	104,431
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	61	13	5	2	172	19	272
	ACRES	1,302	37	1,646	7	66,213	151	69,356
Eastern Area	FIRES	41	0	0	2	669	131	843
	ACRES	2,716	0	0	149	1,207	5,893	9,965
Southern Area	FIRES	304	67	25	27	11,715	205	12,343
	ACRES	87,531	310	2,542	9,232	368,648	21,264	489,527
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>598</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>13,511</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>14,895</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>94,931</b>	<b>1,784</b>	<b>4,407</b>	<b>12,961</b>	<b>528,574</b>	<b>36,877</b>	<b>679,534</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2007 – 2016 as of today)</b>	<b>16,316</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2007 – 2016 as of today)</b>	<b>779,150</b>

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Yesterday (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	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	8	8
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Area	FIRES	0	0	1	0	92	8	101
	ACRES	0	0	73	0	3,194	8,807	12,074
TOTAL FIRES:		0	0	1	0	92	8	101
TOTAL ACRES:		0	0	73	0	3,194	8,815	12,082

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
	ACRES	0	0	56	0	0	0	56
Northwest Area	FIRES	5	22	6	2	0	54	89
	ACRES	346	1,670	985	5	0	8,360	11,366
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	3	5	8	0	106	122
	ACRES	0	1,792	120	307	0	12,938	15,157
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	97	98
	ACRES	0	65	0	0	0	10,622	10,687
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	6	1	0	1	6	14
	ACRES	0	349	6	0	6	348	709
Great Basin Area	FIRES	2	15	1	5	32	45	100
	ACRES	75	1,405	34	80	926	5,665	8,185
Southwest Area	FIRES	10	14	5	4	1	73	107
	ACRES	1,676	12,960	193	836	51	31,945	47,661
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	5	27	7	9	29	101	178
	ACRES	111	2,054	3,894	263	3,069	36,635	46,026
Eastern Area	FIRES	6	0	41	16	319	99	481
	ACRES	23,885	0	4,562	7,028	22,195	39,589	97,259
Southern Area	FIRES	74	0	129	28	47,816	797	48,844
	ACRES	19,819	0	83,952	103,611	2,017,909	813,990	3,039,281
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>102</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>48,198</b>	<b>1,378</b>	<b>50,036</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>45,912</b>	<b>20,295</b>	<b>93,802</b>	<b>112,130</b>	<b>2,044,156</b>	<b>960,092</b>	<b>3,276,387</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:** High pressure will build across the Plains and much of the Interior West while one storm system moves through the Midwest and another enters the West Coast. Slightly cooler and less windy conditions will bring some relief from critical fire conditions to the southern Plains and Southwest. A storm system entering the West will bring mixed rain and winter precipitation to California, the Pacific Northwest, and the northern Rockies. The Midwest, the Appalachians, and New England will also get wintery mix as a strong storm system moves across the region. Temperatures will remain mild across much of the West, slightly cooler in the Southwest but still very warm, cold from the Great Lakes to New England, and very warm in the Southeast. Alaska will remain mostly dry with some rain and snow showers along the southern coast. Temperatures will continue seasonal throughout the Interior and the South but very cold on the North Slope.

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





## Unburned Fuel Between You And The Fire

*Operational Engagement Category*

It is important for firefighters to recognize unburned fuel between themselves and the fire as Watchout Situation #11. Often it is not possible or practical for direct attack on a fire. Before attempting indirect attack and any time the firefighter is in a position where there is unburned fuel between them and the fire, the following questions must be addressed immediately:

- Can you see the fire or are you in contact with someone who can? Discuss situations you might find yourself in where you are out in the green and cannot see the fire. What can you do?
- Is fire spread in a direction away from you? Do you consider the potential for fire spread? Are you safe if the wind switches?
- Will your position be defensible when the fire reaches you? Talk about what must be taken into account when building indirect line or approaching a fire through the green.
- Is your line anchored? Discuss how you anchor indirect line.
- Are your escape routes and safety zones adequate? What is adequate?
- Are weather indicators constantly changing?
- To reduce the risks:
  - Post lookouts
  - Consider a different location. Review situations where you constructed indirect line or approached a fire through the green and how you provided for your safety.

Resources:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide](#)