

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, March 20, 2020 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1

National Fire Activity (March 13 – March 19, 2020)

Initial attack activity:	Light (377 new fires)
New large incidents:	11
Large fires contained:	16
Uncontained large fires:***	3
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

Nationally, there is one large fire being managed under a strategy other than full suppression.

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

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

[Link](#) to Understanding the IMSR.

This report will post every Friday at 0800 Mountain Time unless significant activity occurs.

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	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	2	1	0	7	0	33
SACC	13	8,716	1	31	4	154
Total	15	8,717	1	38	4	187

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires:	280
New large incidents:	9
Uncontained large fires:	4

* **Windmill**, Texas A & M Forest Service. Started on private land 30 miles south of Hebbronville, TX. Brush and tall grass. Moderate fire behavior. Structures threatened.

* **Lee Cook Road (46)**, Florida Forest Service. Four miles northeast of Cannon Town, FL. Short grass. Minimal fire behavior.

* **4 Point**, National Forests in Mississippi, USFS. Five miles southwest of Clara, MS. Southern rough. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering.

* **Range 6 A**, National Forests in Mississippi, USFS. Six miles east of McLaurin, MS. Southern Rough and Short Grass. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Last narrative 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			
* Windmill	TX-TXS	500	---	0	Ctn	UNK	12	---	0	3	0	0	NR	ST
* Lee Cook Road (46)	FL-FLS	350	---	75	Ctn	3/27	7	---	0	2	0	0	1K	ST
* 4 Point	MS-MNF	1,858	---	99	Ctn	UNK	25	---	0	1	1	0	25K	FS
* Range 6 A	MS-MNF	805	---	99	Comp	UNK	11	---	0	2	0	0	8K	FS
* Bone Valley 2	FL-FLS	425	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	4K	ST
* Carter City	KY-KYS	103	---	100	Ctn	---	11	---	1	0	0	0	1K	ST
* Chevy	LA-KIF	341	---	100	Ctn	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FS
* Marks Creek	NC-NCS	310	---	100	Ctn	---	5	---	0	3	0	0	3K	ST
Tram Road/Grassy Road	NC-NCS	2,800	0	100	Ctn	---	43	6	0	9	1	0	75K	ST
Carol	OK-OMA	700	0	100	Ctn	---	8	0	1	1	0	0	12K	BIA
Ambush	OK-WEA	538	0	100	Ctn	---	9	0	1	1	0	0	20K	BIA
Tiger Mountain	OK-OMA	396	0	100	Ctn	---	25	0	2	2	0	0	25K	BIA
Greasy Creek	OK-OMA	183	23	100	Ctn	---	0	-25	0	0	0	0	10K	BIA
Fan Mountain	VA-VAS	300	180	100	Ctn	---	27	0	1	2	1	0	25K	ST
* 369 D	MS-MNF	1,239	---	100	Comp	---	9	---	0	2	0	0	9K	FS
Sewage	LA-KIF	631	0	100	Comp	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	15K	FS
Hwy 11 & Orvisburg Lake Rd	MS-MSS	105	0	100	Comp	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	21K	PRI

KYS – Kentucky Division of Forestry KIF - Kisatchie National Forest, USFS NCS – North Carolina Forest Service

OMA – Okmulgee Field Office, BIA WEA – Wewoka Agency, BIA VAS – Virginia Department of Forestry

MSS – Mississippi Forestry Commission

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires:	8
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Sodhouse	OR-MAR	1,000	0	100	Comp	---	0	-32	0	0	0	0	50K	PRI

MAR – Malheur National Wildlife Refuge, FWS

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires:	7
New large incidents:	2
Uncontained large fires:	0

Incident Name	Unit	Size		% Acres	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Chge	Total				Chge	Total	Crw	Eng	Heli			
* Dismal CA	NE-NES	1,555	---	100	Ctn	---	37	---	0	16	0	0	7K	ST
* 270 th Road	KS-GWX	900	---	100	Ctn	---	70	---	0	23	0	0	34K	CNTY

NES – Nebraska Forest Service

GWX – Greenwood County

Fires and Acres (by Protection) from March 13– March 19, 2020:

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	8	0	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	15	0	15
Northern California Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	26	1	28
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	24	0	24
Southern California Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	9	1	10
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	17	2	19
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	10	1	11
Great Basin Area	FIREs	0	1	0	0	7	0	8
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	18	0	18
Southwest Area	FIREs	4	0	0	0	5	3	12
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	28	0	28
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	6	1	7
	ACRES	0	0	30	0	94	2	126
Eastern Area	FIREs	1	0	0	0	3	1	5
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	12	1	13
Southern Area	FIREs	11	0	0	0	245	24	280
	ACRES	436	0	0	0	2,121	4,412	6,969
TOTAL FIRES:		16	2	0	0	326	33	377
TOTAL ACRES:		436	0	30	0	2,326	4,416	7,208

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

Area	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIREs	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northwest Area	FIREs	1	5	1	0	32	6
	ACRES	0	147	1,000	0	74	1
Northern California Area	FIREs	1	2	0	0	290	28
	ACRES	1	57	0	0	334	369
Southern California Area	FIREs	1	10	1	0	260	36
	ACRES	2	4	0	0	96	105
Northern Rockies Area	FIREs	8	1	0	0	39	10
	ACRES	47	2	0	0	4,081	29
Great Basin Area	FIREs	3	10	0	2	34	5
	ACRES	15	13	0	0	236	83
Southwest Area	FIREs	23	19	0	0	31	24
	ACRES	60	105	0	0	2,258	85
Rocky Mountain Area	FIREs	9	0	1	0	31	5
	ACRES	21	0	30	0	16,522	981
Eastern Area	FIREs	1	0	4	1	591	60
	ACRES	0	0	259	1	1,215	1,037
Southern Area	FIREs	155	86	9	14	3,209	146
	ACRES	13,242	404	2,859	96	51,410	9,848
TOTAL FIRES:	202	133	16	17	4,517	320	5,205
TOTAL ACRES:	13,389	732	4,148	97	76,227	12,540	107,135

Ten Year Average Fires (2010 – 2019 as of today)	7,955
Ten Year Average Acres (2010 – 2019 as of today)	371,330

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

***Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at

Prescribed Fires and Acres from March 13 – March 19, 2020 (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	3	0	1	1	1	6
	ACRES	0	66	0	5	11	264	346
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	7	0	0	0	410	417
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	12	0	0	0	0	0	12
Great Basin Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	3	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	15	34	49
Southwest Area	FIRES	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	ACRES	0	274	0	0	0	0	274
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	2	0	5
Eastern Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	23	212	235
Southern Area	FIRES	3	0	8	0	1,105	25	1,141
	ACRES	314	0	2,375	0	47,880	19,433	70,002
TOTAL FIRES:		4	4	8	1	1,110	31	1,158
TOTAL ACRES:		326	350	2,375	5	47,931	20,353	71,340

***Prescribed fire acres are for reference only and may not reflect the most up-to-date information.

***Official prescribed fire accomplishment reporting occurs through agency specific systems of record.

Predictive Services Discussion: The active weather pattern continues along the West Coast. Several cool and wet systems will move southeast across the West over the next week providing needed moisture to California, Oregon, and Washington. The Southwest and Great Basin will also benefit from the moisture as the western half of the country prepares to enter spring. In the East, overall warm and dry conditions are expected across the Deep South and Florida while an active Subtropical Jet Stream will bring moisture to Central-North Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas through the Mid-Atlantic States. Temperatures overall will be below average in the West and above average in the East. In Alaska, the active pattern will continue across the Interior and will bring additional late season snow. However, the Kenai Peninsula and the Mat-Su Valley will remain mostly dry for the next week.



Refusing Risk

Operational Engagement Category

Every firefighter has the right and obligation to report safety problems and contribute ideas regarding their safety. Supervisors are expected to give these concerns and ideas serious consideration. When an individual feels an assignment is unsafe, they also have the obligation to identify, to the degree possible, safe alternatives for completing that assignment. Turning down an assignment is one possible outcome of managing risk.

- A turn down is a situation where an individual has determined an assignment cannot be undertaken as given, and they are unable to negotiate an alternative solution.
- A turn down must be based on an assessment of risks and the ability of an individual or organization to control those risks.
- A situation may be a candidate for a turn down if:
 - There is a violation of safe work practices.
 - Environmental conditions make the work unsafe.
 - The forces lack the necessary qualifications or experience.
 - Defective equipment is being used.
- The following steps will be used when turning down an assignment:
 - The individual will directly inform their supervisor that they are turning down the assignment as given. (Document using criteria outlined in the risk management process.)
 - Supervisor will notify the Safety Officer immediately upon being informed. In the absence of a Safety Officer, the appropriate Section Chief or Incident Commander will be notified. This step provides accountability for decisions and initiates communication of safety concerns.
 - If the supervisor requests another resource to perform the assignment, he/she is responsible for informing that resource that the assignment has previously been refused and the reason(s) why.
 - The safety hazard should be documented by the submission of a SAFENET or SAFECOM.
- These actions do not stop an operation from being carried out. This protocol is integral to the effective management of risk as it provides timely identification of hazards to the chain of command, raises risk awareness for both leaders and subordinates, and promotes accountability.

Resources:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide, PMS 461](#)

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

[Wildland Fire Incident Management Field Guide, PMS 210](#)

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