

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, April 27, 2022 – 0730 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 2**

**National Fire Activity:**

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (209 fires)
New large incidents:	2
Large fires contained:	2
Uncontained large fires: ***	8
Area Command teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1
**Complex IMTs committed:	1

\*\*Complex Incident Management Teams (CIMTs) are configured to respond to large, complex fires and can expand and reduce staffing in all functional areas as necessary to meet the needs of the incident.

Nationally, there are three fires 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 Monday – Friday at 0730 Mountain time unless significant activity occurs.**

Active Incident Resource Summary							
GACC	Incidents	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel	Change in Personnel
AICC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NWCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ONCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OSCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRCC	1	475	0	35	0	60	0
GBCC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWCC	13	183,212	73	193	33	3,197	57
RMCC	2	45,948	1	28	0	248	49
EACC	2	465	0	4	0	19	19
SACC	11	29,262	0	22	0	73	-116
<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>259,362</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3,597</b>	<b>9</b>

**Southwest Area (PL 4)**

New fires:	9
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	6
Type 1 IMTs committed:	4
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

**Hermits Peak**, Santa Fe NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1). Twelve miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Timber. Moderate fire behavior with uphill runs, flanking and backing. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures.

**Crooks**, Prescott NF, USFS. IMT 1 (CA Team 4). Eleven miles south of Prescott, AZ. Timber and chaparral. Extreme fire behavior with wind-driven runs, short-range spotting and backing. Communication infrastructure and numerous structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

**Cerro Pelado**, Santa Fe NF. IMT 1 (SA Red Team). Seven miles east of Jemez Springs, NM. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping, backing and flanking. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

**Cooks Peak**, Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). Five miles north of Ocate, NM. Timber, grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with flanking, backing and smoldering. Residences threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

**Tunnel**, Coconino NF, USFS. IMT1 (PNW Team 3). Nine miles northeast of Flagstaff, AZ. Timber and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping and isolated torching. Communication infrastructure and numerous structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

**Mitchell**, Las Vegas District, New Mexico State Forestry. Seven miles east of Mosquero, NM. Grass. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering.

**McBride**, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. One mile southeast of Ruidoso, NM. Light slash and grass. Minimal fire behavior.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Hermits Peak	NM-SNF	60,649	3,995	20	Ctn	7/31	910	93	15	63	11	0	16.9M	FS
Crooks	AZ-PNF	8,018	1,564	20	Ctn	5/17	786	40	20	41	12	0	9.3M	FS
Cerro Pelado	NM-SNF	5,485	797	0	Comp	5/5	281	49	9	14	3	0	1.1M	FS
Cooks Peak	NM-N4S	55,172	1,151	33	Ctn	5/28	545	4	15	21	3	3	4.9M	ST
Tunnel	AZ-COF	19,344	-1,891	30	Ctn	5/13	363	-57	8	16	3	54	3.1M	FS
Mitchell	NM-N4S	25,000	0	65	Ctn	5/2	9	-7	0	5	0	0	120K	ST
McBride	NM-N5S	6,159	0	95	Ctn	4/30	27	-10	1	2	0	331	4.4M	ST

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires:	0
New large incidents:	0
Uncontained large fires:	1
Complex IMTs Committed:	1

**Road 702**, Nebraska Forest Service. CIMT (RM Team 1) Eight miles southwest of Cambridge, NE. Grass. Active fire behavior with flanking, backing and spotting. Communication infrastructure, energy infrastructure and numerous structures threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Road 702	NE-NES	41,448	-977	74	Ctn	5/1	208	49	1	28	0	6	932K	ST

### **Southern Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 109  
 New large incidents: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Fox**, Virginia DOF. Four miles north of Davenport, VA. Timber and hardwood litter. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Incident Name	Unit	Size		%	Ctn/ Comp	Est	Personnel		Resources			Strc Lost	\$\$ CTD	Origin Own
		Acres	Chge				Total	Chge	Crw	Eng	Heli			
Fox	VA-VAS	350	0	79	Ctn	4/30	0	-10	0	0	0	0	7K	ST
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
WF4 12080	FL-FLS	160	10	95	Comp	UNK	10	-54	0	1	0	1	NR	ST

FLS – Florida Forest Service

### **Alaska Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 0  
 New large incidents: 0  
 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			
Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned														
Kwethluk	AK-SWS	2,011	---	0	Comp	9/30	0	---	0	0	0	0	6K	FWS

SWS – Southwest Area, Alaska DOF

### **Eastern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 74  
 New large incidents: 2  
 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			
* Wolf Swamp	PA-PAS	290	---	100	Ctn	---	10	---	0	4	0	0	48K	ST
* Dry Creek	MO-MTF	175	---	100	Ctn	---	9	---	0	0	0	0	5K	FS

PAS – Pennsylvania Division of Forest Fire Protection

MTF – Mark Twain NF, USFS

**Fires and Acres Yesterday (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	4	0	4
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Southern California Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	9	0	9
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	19	0	19
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	4	0	4
	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	1	1	0	0	6	1	9
	ACRES	0	3	0	0	45	5	53
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	74	0	74
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	987	0	987
Southern Area	FIRES	1	0	0	1	106	1	109
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	32,817	126	32,943
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>209</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33,869</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>34,004</b>

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

Area		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska Area	FIRES	0	0	0	0	10	3	13
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	10,143	0	10,143
Northwest Area	FIRES	21	8	0	0	85	11	125
	ACRES	532	183	0	0	133	0	848
Northern California Area	FIRES	0	1	0	3	555	34	593
	ACRES	0	1	0	0	413	73	487
Southern California Area	FIRES	4	10	1	2	731	82	830
	ACRES	0	8	100	2	5,953	597	6,660
Northern Rockies Area	FIRES	41	1	0	0	89	16	147
	ACRES	116	1	0	0	1,016	83	1,216
Great Basin Area	FIRES	2	28	2	1	68	11	112
	ACRES	1	61	0	0	292	1	356
Southwest Area	FIRES	112	55	1	2	161	123	454
	ACRES	1,291	5,652	0	1	128,543	76,045	211,533
Rocky Mountain Area	FIRES	66	8	7	1	129	28	239
	ACRES	1,462	102	119	264	73,015	470	75,432
Eastern Area	FIRES	15	0	10	3	2,216	125	2,369
	ACRES	203	0	429	10	17,005	2,490	20,138
Southern Area	FIRES	485	1	12	32	15,349	420	16,299
	ACRES	96,191	3	2,205	2,316	618,364	34,939	754,020
<b>TOTAL FIRES:</b>		<b>746</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>19,393</b>	<b>853</b>	<b>21,181</b>
<b>TOTAL ACRES:</b>		<b>99,797</b>	<b>6,012</b>	<b>2,853</b>	<b>2,593</b>	<b>854,880</b>	<b>114,700</b>	<b>1,080,836</b>

<b>Ten Year Average Fires (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>14,958</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres (2011 – 2020 as of today)</b>	<b>727,141</b>

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

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

**Predictive Services Discussion:** An upper low off the Northwest coast will push a short-wave through the Northern Rockies. Ridging will continue across the Plains with troughing over New England and dry, northwest flow across the Appalachians to the East Coast. Elevated to locally critical conditions are likely across the southern Great Basin and Southwest west of the Divide. Breezy, dry downslope winds are expected across the Appalachians to the Mid-Atlantic and Southeast coasts. Limited moisture will move north from Mexico into central and eastern New Mexico with isolated mainly wet thunderstorms possible in the afternoon from the New Mexico central mountain chain into the southern High Plains. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop across the central Plains as well with a few storms becoming severe. Scattered showers will continue in the Northwest and extend into much of the Rockies as well.

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



## COMMON DENOMINATORS OF FIRE BEHAVIOR ON TRAGEDY FIRES

*Weather / Fire Behavior Category*

Use the [Incident Response Pocket Guide \(IRPG\), PMS 461](#), to review and discuss the five major common denominators of fire behavior on fatal and near-fatal fires. These common denominators have been identified through studies of tragedy fires. It is important for firefighters to readily recognize them to prevent future tragedies.

Such fires often occur:

1. On relatively small fires or deceptively quiet areas of large fires.
2. In relatively light fuels, such as grass, herbs, and light brush.
3. When there is an unexpected shift in wind direction or in wind speed.
4. When fire responds to topographic conditions and runs uphill.
5. Critical burn period between 1400 and 1700.

Alignment of topography and wind during the critical burning period should be considered a trigger point to reevaluate tactics.

Blowup to burnover conditions generally occur in less than 60 minutes and can be as little as 5 minutes.

A tactical pause may be prudent around 1400 for reevaluating your situational awareness of topography, fuels, and weather.

It can be used as an opportunity to remember that this is the beginning of a dangerous part of the day for fighting fires and increased caution is in order.

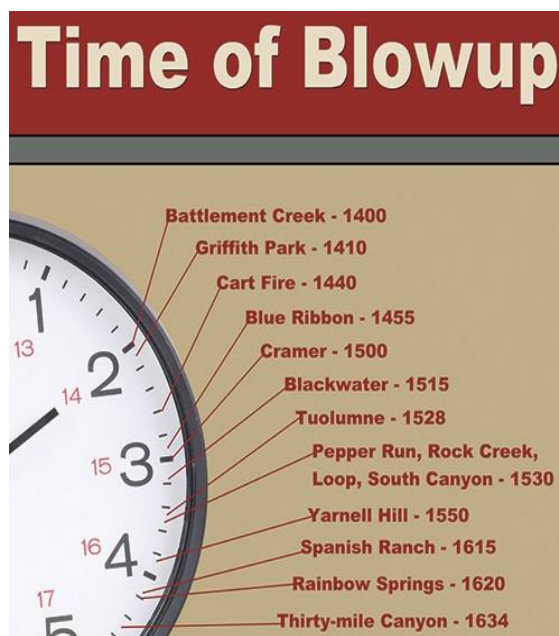
### References:

[Standard Firefighting Orders, PMS 110](#)

[Watch Out Situations, PMS 118](#)

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