

National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Friday, May 20, 2022 – 0730 MDT
National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity:

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| Initial attack activity: | Light (127 fires) |
| New large incidents: | 6 |
| Large fires contained: | 6 |
| Uncontained large fires: ** | 15 |
| Area Command teams committed: | 0 |
| NIMOs committed: | 0 |
| Type 1 IMTs committed: | 4 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 5 |
| ***Complex IMTs committed: | 2 |

***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 is one 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.

| 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 | 1 | 200 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 47 | 0 |
| NRCC | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| GBCC | 1 | 97 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| SWCC | 9 | 561,954 | 101 | 223 | 44 | 4,557 | 253 |
| RMCC | 5 | 3,090 | 11 | 69 | 7 | 712 | 4 |
| EACC | 2 | 2,622 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 71 | 0 |
| SACC | 18 | 49,967 | 0 | 72 | 0 | 341 | 61 |
| Total | 36 | 617,930 | 115 | 372 | 52 | 5,736 | 318 |

Southwest Area (PL 5)

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

Hermits Peak, Santa Fe NF, USFS. IMT 1 (SW Team 1) and IMT 1 (CA Team 2). Transfer of command from IMT 2 (SW Team 3) to IMT 1 (CA Team 5) will occur today. Twelve miles northwest of Las Vegas, NM. Grass and timber. Extreme fire behavior with crowning, group torching and spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Black, Gila NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 5). Twenty-four miles north of Mimbres, NM. Timber and chaparral. Active fire behavior with short crown runs, uphill runs and spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations, area, road and trail closures in effect.

Bear Trap, Cibola NF, USFS. IMT 2 (SW Team 4). Twenty-two miles southwest of Magdalena, NM. Timber. Active fire behavior with running, flanking and backing. Structures threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect.

Cerro Pelado, Santa Fe NF, USFS. Transfer of command from IMT 1 (GB Team 1) to IMT2 (RM Team Black) will occur today. Seven miles east of Jemez Springs, NM. Grass, brush and timber. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering and backing. Residences threatened. Area, road and trail closures in effect. Evacuations have been lifted.

* **Burchard 519**, Cimarron District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twenty-two miles northeast of Des Moines, NM. Brush and grass. Moderate fire behavior with wind-driven runs and torching.

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|----------------|--------|---------|--------|------------|--------------|-------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| Hermits Peak | NM-SNF | 303,341 | 1,370 | 40 | Ctn | 7/31 | 2,408 | 239 | 47 | 156 | 27 | 635 | 95M | FS |
| Black | NM-GNF | 93,014 | 15,485 | 0 | Comp | 7/7 | 475 | 94 | 16 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 3.8M | FS |
| Bear Trap | NM-CIF | 19,148 | 2,026 | 28 | Ctn | 5/31 | 709 | -29 | 19 | 15 | 4 | 0 | 9.4M | FS |
| Cerro Pelado | NM-SNF | 45,605 | 0 | 75 | Ctn | 6/15 | 656 | -69 | 15 | 28 | 6 | 10 | 34.6M | FS |
| * Burchard 519 | NM-N2S | 600 | --- | 5 | Ctn | 5/246 | 20 | --- | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 25K | ST |

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 2)

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| New fires: | 4 |
| New large incidents: | 1 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 4 |
| CIMTs committed: | 2 |

* **Simms**, Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison NF, USFS. CIMT (RM Team 1) mobilizing. Fourteen miles southwest of Montrose, CO. Chaparral. Extreme fire behavior with group torching, long-range spotting and wind-driven runs. Residences threatened. Evacuations, area and road closures in effect.

Plumtaw, San Juan NF, USFS. CIMT (RM Team 2). Seven miles northwest of Pagosa Springs, CO. Timber and medium slash. Moderate fire behavior with isolated torching and short-range spotting. Structures threatened. Evacuations and area closures in effect. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

High Park, Teller County. Transfer of command from CIMT (RM Team 1) back to the local unit will occur today. Six miles west of Cripple Creek, CO. Timber and tall grass. Minimal fire behavior with backing and creeping.

201 East, Nebraska NF, USFS. Four miles south of Halsey, NE. Timber. Extreme fire behavior. Numerous residences threatened. Area and road closures in effect.

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|---------------|--------|-------|-------|------------|--------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| * Simms | CO-GMF | 370 | --- | 0 | Ctn | 5/26 | 28 | --- | 0 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 100K | FS |
| Plumtaw | CO-SJF | 727 | -8 | 0 | Ctn | 7/15 | 297 | 113 | 9 | 12 | 5 | 0 | 1.4M | FS |
| High Park | CO-TLX | 1,572 | 0 | 89 | Ctn | 5/31 | 305 | -62 | 2 | 34 | 2 | 0 | 4M | CNTY |
| 201 East | NE-NBF | 2,500 | 2,385 | 5 | Ctn | 5/25 | 68 | 0 | 1 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 500K | FS |
| Medano | CO-GSP | 306 | 0 | 100 | Ctn | --- | 14 | -20 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 60K | NPS |

GSP – Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve, NPS

Southern Area (PL 2)

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| New fires: | 37 |
| New large incidents: | 4 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 6 |
| Type 2 IMTs committed: | 1 |

Mesquite Heat, Texas A&M Forest Service. IMT 2 (SA Gold Team). Started on private land 11 miles south of Abilene, TX. Grass, brush and timber. Active fire behavior with crowning and creeping. Residences threatened. Evacuations and road closures in effect.

Coconut, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 18 miles south of Vernon, TX. Grass, brush and timber. Active fire behavior with running and isolated torching. Residences threatened.

Pope 2, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land 24 miles southeast of Eldorado, TX. Grass and brush. Moderate fire behavior with creeping. Residences threatened.

Sandstone Mountain, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land two miles southeast of Llano, TX. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with smoldering. Residences threatened.

Dry Branch, Texas A&M Forest Service. Started on private land seven miles west of Evant, TX. Grass and brush. Minimal fire behavior with creeping and smoldering. Residences threatened. Evacuations have been lifted.

Full Moon, Avon Park Air Force Base, DOD. Fifteen miles northeast of Avon Park, FL. Brush and grass. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|--------------------|--------|--------|-------|------------|--------------|------|-----------|------|-----------|-----|------|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Acres | Chge | | | | Total | Chge | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | |
| Mesquite Heat | TX-TXS | 9,613 | 4,613 | 25 | Ctn | 5/23 | 71 | 47 | 0 | 16 | 0 | 27 | NR | PRI |
| Coconut | TX-TXS | 26,000 | 8,000 | 45 | Ctn | 5/23 | 61 | 1 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | NR | PRI |
| Pope 2 | TX-TXS | 2,530 | 0 | 75 | Ctn | 5/21 | 34 | -16 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | NR | PRI |
| Sandstone Mountain | TX-TXS | 351 | 1 | 75 | Ctn | 5/22 | 16 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | NR | PRI |
| Dry Branch | TX-TXS | 4,000 | 0 | 85 | Ctn | 5/24 | 21 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | NR | PRI |
| Full Moon | FL-APQ | 1,500 | --- | 80 | Ctn | UNK | 10 | --- | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 6K | DOD |

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|--|--------|-------|------|------------|--------------|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|---|---|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Total | Chge | | | | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | | | |
| * Jackson Co. | MS-MSS | 719 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 6 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 143K | PRI |
| * Mine (27) | FL-FLS | 650 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 20 | --- | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |
| * S. Pierce (53) | FL-FLS | 350 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 6 | --- | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |
| * WF5 Bright | FL-FLS | 386 | --- | 100 | Ctn | --- | 7 | --- | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |
| Large Fires Being Managed with a Strategy Other Than Full Suppression Without a Type 1 or 2 IMT Assigned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 Corners | FL-FLS | 500 | 0 | 100 | Comp | --- | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NR | ST |

MSS – Mississippi Forestry Commission FLS – Florida Forest Service

Eastern Area (PL 2)

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| New fires: | 25 |
| New large incidents: | 0 |
| Uncontained large fires: | 1 |

Bemis, White Mountain NF, USFS. Started on state land eight miles northwest of Bartlett, NH. Timber. Minimal fire behavior. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

| Incident Name | Unit | Size | | % Acres | Ctn/ Comp | Est | Personnel | | Resources | | | Strc Lost | \$\$ CTD | Origin Own |
|---------------|--------|-------|------|------------|--------------|------|-----------|-----|-----------|---|---|--------------|-------------|---------------|
| | | Total | Chge | | | | Crw | Eng | Heli | | | | | |
| Bemis | NH-WMF | 106 | 0 | 75 | Ctn | 5/24 | 56 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 170K | ST |

Fires and Acres Yesterday (by Protection):

| Area | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|--------------------------|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Alaska Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 15 |
| Northwest Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Northern California Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 1 | 23 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 93 | 0 | 93 |
| Southern California Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 | 1 | 23 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 1 | 68 |
| 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 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Southwest Area | FIREs | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 8 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 339 | 15,485 | 15,827 |
| Rocky Mountain Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1,999 | 2,000 |
| Eastern Area | FIREs | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 25 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 161 | 0 | 162 |
| Southern Area | FIREs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 1 | 37 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,059 | 5 | 1,064 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 117 | 6 | 127 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1,736 | 17,490 | 19,230 |

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

| Area | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|--------------------------|-------|----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Alaska Area | FIREs | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 78 | 6 | 88 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 11,354 | 4 | 11,363 |
| Northwest Area | FIREs | 24 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 99 | 12 | 145 |
| | ACRES | 532 | 183 | 18 | 0 | 140 | 0 | 874 |
| Northern California Area | FIREs | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 774 | 40 | 821 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 928 | 73 | 1,002 |
| Southern California Area | FIREs | 4 | 14 | 1 | 3 | 1,095 | 118 | 1,235 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 41 | 100 | 3 | 7,379 | 683 | 8,206 |
| Northern Rockies Area | FIREs | 156 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 157 | 19 | 335 |
| | ACRES | 388 | 2 | 103 | 0 | 2,149 | 83 | 2,725 |
| Great Basin Area | FIREs | 4 | 43 | 3 | 6 | 125 | 16 | 197 |
| | ACRES | 1 | 136 | 0 | 0 | 964 | 104 | 1,206 |
| Southwest Area | FIREs | 163 | 81 | 1 | 3 | 261 | 205 | 714 |
| | ACRES | 1,417 | 6,526 | 0 | 4 | 133,817 | 459,665 | 601,429 |
| Rocky Mountain Area | FIREs | 90 | 12 | 8 | 4 | 674 | 44 | 832 |
| | ACRES | 1,494 | 980 | 119 | 570 | 162,470 | 4,411 | 170,044 |
| Eastern Area | FIREs | 63 | 0 | 19 | 7 | 3,672 | 209 | 3,970 |
| | ACRES | 239 | 0 | 679 | 10 | 22,692 | 2,580 | 26,200 |
| Southern Area | FIREs | 491 | 1 | 15 | 36 | 16,849 | 454 | 17,846 |
| | ACRES | 96,223 | 3 | 2,540 | 2,344 | 718,923 | 35,829 | 855,863 |
| TOTAL FIRES: | | 997 | 167 | 50 | 62 | 23,784 | 1,123 | 26,183 |
| TOTAL ACRES: | | 100,295 | 7,877 | 3,559 | 2,931 | 1,773,812 | 503,434 | 1,678,912 |

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| Ten Year Average Fires (2012 – 2021 as of today) | 19,452 |
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| Ten Year Average Acres (2012 – 2021 as of today) | 801,096 |
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***Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments.

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

Predictive Services Discussion: Deep upper troughing will continue across the Intermountain West into the northern Plains with strong upper ridging developing along the East Coast. A cold front will stall across the Four Corners but push south into the southern Plains and east into the Great Lakes. Very hot, record setting temperatures will continue across western and central Texas. Elevated to critical conditions will develop across much of eastern Arizona through New Mexico and into portions of central Texas where west to southwest winds 15-25 mph with gusts to 40 mph will coincide with RH of 5-15%. Pyrocumulonimbus are possible across any active fires across central Texas in the vicinity of the dry line as well. Breezy and dry north winds will continue across the Sacramento Valley of California today before decreasing overnight. Showers with isolated thunderstorms and mountain snow will move into the central Rockies with the heaviest precipitation likely over northern Colorado. Showers and scattered thunderstorms will develop ahead of the cold front and east of the dry line from central Texas north and east into the Great Lakes. Thunderstorms are forecast to become more numerous over central Florida with heavy rain possible.

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



Fight Fire Aggressively, Having Provided for Safety First

Operational Engagement Category

Standard Firefighting Order #10 must be considered at all times when fighting fire. In order to fight fire safely and aggressively, every firefighter must be able to answer the following questions:

- Is the suppression method adequate? Are we making progress? Are we beating our heads against a wall? Is there a better way to get this done?
 - Give examples of when you have had to change your suppression method.
- Are there adequate resources and time for effective suppression? Do we need to retreat and reevaluate?
 - Talk about how you dealt with times when you realized you were not making progress on a fire.
- Are lookouts posted? When you post lookouts, who would you choose to be a lookout, and where should they be located?
- Are communications prompt with crews and other resources?
 - Review the importance of effective communications on the fireline.
- Have escape routes and safety zones been established?
 - Talk about your crew's procedure for establishing escape routes and safety zones. Review what constitutes an escape route and a safety zone.
- Do you feel comfortable with your assignment?
 - Discuss how you evaluate the situation. Remind firefighters that every individual has the right to question an assignment.
- To reduce the risks:
 - Post lookouts.
 - Establish trigger points.
 - Retreat if the situation is too complex. Emphasize that safety is everyone's responsibility; we all want to be good firefighters and being safe is part of that

Resources:

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

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

[10 Standard Firefighting Orders, PMS 110](#)

[18 Watch Out Situations, PMS 118](#)

[10 and 18 Poster, PMS 110-18](#)

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