

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY JUNE 4, 2004 – 0530 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 136 fires reported. Six new large fires were reported, one each in Eastern Great Basin, Western Great Basin and Southwest Areas, and three in Southern Area. One large fire was contained in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Kansas, Nevada, New Mexico, South Dakota, Texas, and Utah.

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

PEPPIN, Lincoln National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Bateman) is assigned. This fire is six miles northeast of Capitan, NM in timber. Hazardous terrain, poor accessibility, and heavy dead fuel loading continue to be concerns. Higher relative humidity and lighter winds have moderated fire behavior.

TANK, Coronado National Forest. This fire is six miles southeast of Patagonia, AZ in grass, brush and heavy dead fuel loads. Active surface fire was observed.

KP, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This fire is 20 miles south of Alpine, AZ in brush and mixed conifer. Creeping surface fire with group torching continues.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PEPPIN	NM	LNF	44,500	45	UNK	569	13	16	5	12	4.3M
TANK	AZ	CNF	600	30	UNK	105	2	12	1	0	NR
KP	AZ	ASF	16,150	90	UNK	103	3	4	2	0	NR

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SANTA FE SWAMP, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is 6 miles southwest of Keystone Heights, FL in dry swamp. Overnight precipitation is aiding containment efforts. Agency resources and local fire departments provided structure protection for one-hundred residences which were threatened and evacuated.

ROAD 1, Florida Division of Forestry. A Florida Division of Forestry Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jones) is assigned. This fire is 17 miles northwest of Macclenny, FL in pine. Precipitation resulted in minimal fire behavior. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

YELVINGTON, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is five miles east of East Palatka, FL in swamp. No further information was received.

ROCK ROAD, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is 11 miles southeast of Bonita Springs, FL in pine, cabbage palm and cypress. Active fire behavior with long range spotting was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SANTA FE SWAMP	FL	FLS	4,000	10	UNK	35	0	3	2	0	NR
ROAD 1	FL	FLS	2,858	75	UNK	101	0	17	0	0	495K
YELVINGTON	FL	FLS	450	75	UNK	13	0	0	3	0	NR
ROCK ROAD	FL	FLS	275	60	UNK	64	0	18	1	0	NR
GATOR	FL	FLS	3,000	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

ARAGONITE, Salt Lake Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is five miles west of Aragonite, UT in cheat grass. Difficult access due to sandy terrain is a major concern. Moderate, wind driven runs were observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ARAGONITE	UT	SLD	750	75	UNK	3	0	0	0	0	10K

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

MAIL SUMMMIT, Ely Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 41 miles west of Panaca, NV in grass, sage and pinyon-juniper. Wind-driven runs in dense areas of continuous fuels were observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
MAIL SUMMIT	NV	ELD	1,500	5	UNK	89	3	6	1	0	NR

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: A high pressure ridge along with hot, dry weather continues over the West with some thunderstorm activity expected over New Mexico, Utah and Colorado. Scattered thunderstorms are also on tap for Florida with high pressure across the southern portion of the state.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
SOUTHWEST AREA Mostly sunny warm and dry AZ and northern NM. Partly cloudy with a widely scattered mix of wet and dry thunderstorms remainder.	70s mountains and 80s and 90s lower elevations, except 100-110 AZ deserts	5 to 15% AZ and northern NM, 15 to 25% remainder of NM, 25 to 40% west TX.	West to southwest 10 to 15 mph with gusts to 25 mph AZ and northern NM, south to southeast 10 to 20 mph remainder.
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Patchy morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise sunny.	75 to 85 coastal areas 75 to 90 mountains 90 to 100 valleys 90 to 100 upper deserts 100 to 110 lower deserts	8 to 20%.	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.
ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Isolated dry/wet thunderstorms over Front Range/mountains of Colorado, and scattered wet thunderstorms over northern Wyoming, Black Hills and eastern section of the Rocky Mountain Area.	85 to 95 lower elevations 65 to 75 mountains	5 to 15% western and southern Colorado. 15 to 25% elsewhere 20 to 30% higher elevations.	South wind, 15 to 30mph in Kansas up into South Dakota. West wind 8 to 18mph elsewhere.



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UNINFORMED ON STRATEGY, TACTICS OR HAZARDS

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 strategy, 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.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		1		2
	ACRES			22		0		22
Northwest	FIRES	6				9	4	19
	ACRES	36				12	1	49
Northern California	FIRES					12	1	13
	ACRES					6	0	6
Southern California	FIRES	1		1		12	1	15
	ACRES	0		1		31	2	34
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2				1		3
	ACRES	2				0		2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			1	1	4
	ACRES		762			1	1	764
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2				1	3
	ACRES		1,500				5	1,505
Southwest	FIRES	35				2	5	42
	ACRES	36				3	521	560
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2			2		4
	ACRES		2			0		2
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	2				29		31
	ACRES	44				44		88
TOTAL	FIRES	46	6	2	0	69	13	136
	ACRES	118	2,264	23	0	97	530	3,032

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		8	8	5	99	2	122
	ACRES		84	43	286	193	0	606
Northwest	FIRES	56	13	12	6	257	71	415
	ACRES	623	8	37	3	412	153	1,236
Northern California	FIRES	4		1	1	643	117	766
	ACRES	0		15	1	1,100	1,080	2,196
Southern California	FIRES	13	21	4	9	1,049	171	1,267
	ACRES	647	1,318	3	13	31,547	1,392	34,920
Northern Rockies	FIRES	642	14	11		286	106	1,059
	ACRES	3,969	187	236		8,359	3,285	16,036
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	48	2	6	22	21	100
	ACRES	2	164	1	32	196	366	761
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	22		2	16	11	53
	ACRES	1	1,552		0	12	285	1,850
Southwest	FIRES	277	30	1	13	245	212	778
	ACRES	786	3,168	0	481	3,952	66,821	75,208
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	146	28	28	2	148	53	405
	ACRES	3,490	60	1,166	0	19,188	2,803	26,707
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		46	17	4,869	370	5,791
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	97	50,591	5,511	63,628
Southern Area	FIRES	112		42	23	21,030	506	21,713
	ACRES	15,477		4,624	918	228,596	71,659	321,274
TOTAL	FIRES	1,742	184	155	84	28,664	1,640	32,469
	ACRES	30,089	6,541	8,460	1,831	344,146	153,355	544,422

Ten Year Average Fires	35,766
Ten Year Average Acres	812,159

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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	5					3	8
	ACRES	1,355					1,533	2,888
Northern California	FIRES				1		0	1
	ACRES				110		76	186
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						7	7
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					15		15
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	5	0	0	1	1	4	11
	ACRES	1,355	0	0	110	15	1,616	3,096

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,087		2,087
Northwest	FIRES	38	75	34	1		223	371
	ACRES	7,626	6,805	3,641	30		57,082	75,184
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	9	16		181	259
	ACRES	251	731	13,501	1,318		22,466	38,267
Southern California	FIRES		4	7	7		71	89
	ACRES		28	680	308		6,210	7,226
Northern Rockies	FIRES	18	5	67	3	46	317	456
	ACRES	1,467	137	9,367	1,046	3,083	41,260	56,360
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	3	6	21	56	100
	ACRES	149	2,144	547	1,237	1,588	16,457	22,122
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4				4	8
	ACRES		80				71	151
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	6	8		272	313
	ACRES	2,796	4,821	519	1,727		47,740	57,603
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	38	108	16	12	110	326
	ACRES	5,117	11,850	19,596	2,969	3,947	45,430	88,909
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		344	18	596	164	1,142
	ACRES	14,454		39,828	3,752	56,473	27,400	141,907
Southern Area	FIRES	51		134	67	349	1,042	1,643
	ACRES	8,503		58,395	58,852	176,957	941,495	1,244,202
TOTAL	FIRES	198	191	712	142	1,029	2,440	4,712
	ACRES	40,363	26,596	146,074	71,239	244,135	1,205,611	1,734,018

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						222	222
Northern Rockies	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				0			0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				101			101
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		30					30
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	0	2	0	1	5
	ACRES	0	30	0	101	0	222	353

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	3	0	318	903
Yukon Territory	1	3	6	10
Alberta	5	2	532	2,184
Northwest Territory	3	2	4	4
Saskatchewan	1	0	101	651
Manitoba	2	2	49	374
Ontario	6	1	97	1,314
Quebec	0	0	115	108
Newfoundland	0	0	69	1,952
New Brunswick	0	0	171	305
Nova Scotia	4	0	144	164
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	10	9	2,446
Total	26	19	1,615	10,414

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest	1		2						3	
Northern California	2		10							
Southern California	2		1	2						
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	1		11							
Western Great Basin	2	3	5	1	1					
Southwest	24		16	21	6	2			145	63
Rocky Mountain			2							
Eastern Area									2	
Southern Area			4	36		6			11	60
Total	32	3	51	60	7	8	0	0	161	123

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