

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Tuesday, May 18, 2010 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (117 new fires)
 New large fires: 3 (*)
 Large fires contained: 0
 Uncontained large fires: ** 2
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there is 2 large fire being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

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

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

Department of Interior personnel are assigned to several locations in the Gulf of Mexico to assess and mitigate impacts resulting from the Deepwater Horizon oil spill.

- A total of 202 Fish and Wildlife Service personnel are assigned to Delta, Breton and Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuges, as well as Houma, LA and Mobile, AL.
- A total of 224 National Park Service personnel are assigned to Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jean Lafitte Park and Preserve, Everglades National Park, Dry Tortugas, Biscayne National Park, De Soto National Memorial and Big Cypress National Preserve.

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 4
 New large fires: 2
 Uncontained large fires: 2

* **Fraguita**, Coronado NF. Five miles south of Arivaca, AZ. Grass. Moderate fire activity. Residence threatened.

* **Elk**, Northern Pueblos Agency, BIA. Eight miles west of Espanola, NM. Grass Active fire behavior.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % Ctn | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ Ctd | Origin Own |
|---------------|----|------|------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| * Fraguita | AZ | CNF | 987 | --- | 25 | 5/19 | 100 | --- | 3 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 20K | FS |
| * Elk | NM | NPA | 350 | --- | 50 | 5/21 | 19 | --- | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 25K | BIA |

Alaska Area (PL 1)

New fires: 14
 New large fires: 1
 Uncontained large fires: 0

* **Toklat**, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska DOF. Confine / contain management strategy. Twenty-five miles northwest of Nenana, AK. Black spruce and tundra. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % Ctn | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ Ctd | Origin Own |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| * Toklat | AK | FAS | 1,657 | --- | 0 | UNK | 8 | --- | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12K | ST |

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 11
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % Ctn | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ Ctd | Origin Own |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Cotton | CA | CND | 2,044 | 244 | 100 | --- | 131 | -315 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 850K | BLM |

CND – Central California District, BLM

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 56
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 0

| Incident Name | St | Unit | Size | Size Chge 24 Hrs | % Ctn | Est Ctn | Totl Pers | Pers Chge 24 Hrs | Crw | Eng | Heli | Strc Lost | \$\$ Ctd | Origin Own |
|---------------|----|------|-------|------------------|-------|---------|-----------|------------------|-----|-----|------|-----------|----------|------------|
| Mother's Day | FL | FNF | 3,740 | 0 | 100 | --- | 11 | -7 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 111K | FS |

FNF – National Forests in Florida

Predictive Services Discussion: Southeast Arizona and much of New Mexico will have gusty winds and low humidity today. The rest of the Southwest will be dry except for showers over northern Arizona. Southern California will see rain over the mountains and coastal sections with gusty winds over the deserts. Dry and windy weather is expected over the central and eastern interior of Alaska.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



Today's discussion is from the
Aviation Category.



[Scenario](#)

Scenarios are situations that can arise on a Wildland Fire or Aviation incident and are meant to add a realistic setting for the application of Today's Safety Discussion.

AVIATION "WATCH OUT" SITUATIONS

As part of risk management, especially during high activity fires, each aviation manager and employee should be asking questions.

- Is the flight necessary?
- Who is in charge?
- Are hazards identified and known?
Flight Hazards: Have they been identified and assessed? Have the pilots been informed?
- Should the operation or the flight be stopped due to a change in conditions? Consider the following:
 - Radio Communications
 - Environmental Conditions – weather, visibility, terrain, elevation, temperatures
 - Mission Priorities
 - Successful Mission Completion Probabilities
- Is there a better way to do it?
- Is there pressure to complete a mission at all costs?
- Can you justify your actions?
- Is the mission airspace confined or congested?
Multiple aircraft
Mixed types of aircraft
Poor visibility
- Do you have an escape route?
- Are any guidelines being ignored or policies being broken?
- Are communications getting tense?
- Are you deviating from the assigned operation or flight?

References: [Incident Response Pocket Guide page 46](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|------|-------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | | | 14 | | 14 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 1,218 | | 1,218 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 1 | | | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | 0 | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | 1 | | | 7 | 1 | 9 |
| | ACRES | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | 11 | | 11 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 0 | | 0 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | | | 1 | 3 | 4 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 26 | 987 | 1,013 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | 2 | | | | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | 0 | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | | | | | 16 | 2 | 18 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 75 | 1 | 76 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | 0 | | 55 | 1 | 56 |
| | ACRES | | | 25 | | 463 | 2 | 490 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 105 | 8 | 117 |
| | ACRES | 0 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 1,782 | 994 | 2,801 |

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-----|---------|--------|---------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | | 2 | | 111 | | 113 |
| | ACRES | | | 3 | | 5,024 | | 5,027 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 9 | 3 | | | 37 | 18 | 67 |
| | ACRES | 193 | 1 | | | 94 | 1 | 289 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | | | 257 | 33 | 290 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 830 | 10 | 840 |
| Southern California | FIRES | 3 | 22 | 1 | 2 | 341 | 63 | 432 |
| | ACRES | 2 | 3,896 | 6 | 2 | 1,276 | 123 | 5,305 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 260 | 2 | 0 | | 68 | 38 | 368 |
| | ACRES | 2,198 | 5 | 760 | | 580 | 113 | 3,656 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 5 | 17 | | | 67 | 9 | 98 |
| | ACRES | 14 | 16 | | | 414 | 22 | 466 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 15 | 1 | 2 | 11 | | 29 |
| | ACRES | | 18 | 15 | 0 | 46 | | 79 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 141 | 61 | 3 | 22 | 153 | 148 | 528 |
| | ACRES | 1,445 | 766 | 33 | 69 | 20,074 | 4,587 | 26,974 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 112 | 16 | 3 | 4 | 64 | 15 | 214 |
| | ACRES | 2,036 | 218 | 3,051 | 0 | 10,858 | 13 | 16,176 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 588 | | 19 | 8 | 6,586 | 385 | 7,586 |
| | ACRES | 2,694 | | 3,920 | 4 | 60,396 | 4,199 | 71,213 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 489 | | 40 | 20 | 13,518 | 391 | 14,458 |
| | ACRES | 32,010 | | 929 | 108 | 176,736 | 16,498 | 226,281 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 1,607 | 136 | 69 | 58 | 21,213 | 1,100 | 24,183 |
| | ACRES | 40,592 | 4,920 | 8,717 | 183 | 276,328 | 25,566 | 356,306 |

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|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Ten Year Average Fires | 38,177 |
| Ten Year Average Acres | 874,285 |

*** 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 | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Northern California | FIRES | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| | ACRES | | | 1,507 | | | | 1,507 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | | | | | 0 | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | | 0 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 3 |
| | ACRES | | 1,150 | 1,800 | 116 | | 26 | 3,092 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | 2 | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | 327 | 327 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Southwest | FIRES | | | 0 | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | 6 | | | | 6 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| | ACRES | | | | | | | 0 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 2 | | | | | | 2 |
| | ACRES | 20 | | | | | | 20 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | | | | | 2 | | 2 |
| | ACRES | | | | | 780 | | 780 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 10 |
| | ACRES | 20 | 1,150 | 3,313 | 116 | 780 | 354 | 5,733 |

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

| AREA | | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| Alaska | FIRES | | 2 | | | 10 | | 12 |
| | ACRES | | 3,000 | | | 20,087 | | 23,087 |
| Northwest | FIRES | 6 | 41 | 6 | 1 | | 79 | 133 |
| | ACRES | 2,582 | 6,766 | 1,707 | 11 | | 11,776 | 22,842 |
| Northern California | FIRES | 1 | 20 | 10 | 15 | | 182 | 228 |
| | ACRES | 10 | 347 | 18,231 | 26 | | 5,123 | 23,737 |
| Southern California | FIRES | | 7 | 9 | | | 212 | 228 |
| | ACRES | | 1,157 | 1,313 | | | 1,753 | 4,223 |
| Northern Rockies | FIRES | 60 | 18 | 85 | 2 | 22 | 132 | 319 |
| | ACRES | 1,868 | 3,215 | 22,534 | 171 | 793 | 15,631 | 44,212 |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | | 15 | 6 | 2 | 22 | 34 | 79 |
| | ACRES | | 1,537 | 2,745 | 71 | 1,701 | 6,769 | 12,823 |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES | | 3 | 2 | 1 | | 5 | 11 |
| | ACRES | | 68 | 1,395 | 83 | | 118 | 1,664 |
| Southwest | FIRES | 13 | 16 | 5 | 5 | | 76 | 115 |
| | ACRES | 373 | 18,226 | 131 | 840 | | 29,580 | 49,150 |
| Rocky Mountain | FIRES | 34 | 53 | 96 | 14 | 41 | 152 | 390 |
| | ACRES | 1,720 | 5,994 | 21,061 | 2,375 | 5,747 | 20,656 | 57,553 |
| Eastern Area | FIRES | 42 | | 193 | 24 | 1,082 | 143 | 1,484 |
| | ACRES | 62,135 | | 30,910 | 5,511 | 71,751 | 56,387 | 226,694 |
| Southern Area | FIRES | 15 | | 177 | 64 | 8,745 | 1,072 | 10,073 |
| | ACRES | 2,705 | | 71,649 | 56,838 | 235,357 | 1,074,836 | 1,441,385 |
| TOTAL | FIRES | 171 | 175 | 589 | 128 | 9,922 | 2,087 | 13,072 |
| | ACRES | 71,393 | 40,310 | 171,676 | 65,926 | 335,436 | 1,222,629 | 1,907,370 |

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

Canada Fires and Hectares

| Provinces | Fires Yesterday | Hectares Yesterday | Fires Year-To-Date | Hectares Year-To-Date |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| British Columbia | 162 | 1,089 | 218 | 1,718 |
| Yukon Territory | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 |
| Alberta | 368 | 687 | 497 | 1,694 |
| Northwest Territory | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Saskatchewan | 65 | 1,808 | 114 | 3,931 |
| Manitoba | 106 | 3,993 | 125 | 4,090 |
| Ontario | 248 | 903 | 299 | 1,142 |
| Quebec | 130 | 84 | 159 | 1,796 |
| Newfoundland | 8 | 23 | 9 | 23 |
| New Brunswick | 63 | 84 | 72 | 92 |
| Nova Scotia | 171 | 415 | 204 | 419 |
| Prince Edward Island | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| National Parks | 12 | 11 | 12 | 11 |
| Total | 1,333 | 9,098 | 1,712 | 14,917 |

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