

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Wednesday, April 18, 2012 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (147 new fires)
 New large fires: 0 (*)
 Large fires contained: 1
 Uncontained large fires: ** 8
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Nationally there are no large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

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

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

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 91
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 7
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 1

Easter Complex (five fires), George Washington & Jefferson NF. IMT1 (Quesinberry). One mile northeast of Buena Vista, VA. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire activity. Structures threatened.

County Line, National Forests in Florida. IMT 2 (Dueitt). Twenty-five miles north of Lake City, FL. Southern rough. Moderate fire activity within interior.

Hickory Knob, Daniel Boone NF. Seven miles southwest Whitley City, KY. Hardwood litter. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

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
Easter Complex	VA	VAF	35,821	729	80	UNK	663	39	5	33	1	0	2.9M	FS
County Line	FL	FNF	34,936	0	75	UNK	297	-7	1	31	3	0	3.9M	FS
Hickory Knob	KY	DBF	110	---	40	UNK	26	---	1	1	0	0	4K	FS
Cowpen Trail	MS	MNF	782	---	100	---	11	---	0	5	2	---	12K	FS

MNF – National Forests in Mississippi

Southwest (PL 1)

New fires: 3
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Jordan, Gila NF. Twenty-five miles north of Silver City, NM. Pinion pine, juniper and grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

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Jordan	NM	GNF	407	---	30	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Westerly flow aloft will dominate the pattern across the country. A weak upper system moving through the South will produce scattered showers and thunderstorms from the central Gulf states to the mid-Atlantic coast. A front dropping into the Plains will produce showers and thunderstorms from the Great Lakes to eastern Wyoming and Montana. Scattered rain and snow showers will move across the Northwest, northern Rockies and the northern Great Basin. A deepening trough along the front range of the Rockies will produce gusty winds from eastern Colorado to far west Texas. Critical fire weather conditions associated with strong winds and low relative humidity will develop across eastern New Mexico and parts of west Texas. The southwestern quarter of the country will remain mild and dry. In Alaska, rain will move across the southern coastal areas as low pressure remains over the Gulf of Alaska. Scattered rain and snow showers will develop over the central interior. Gusty winds will continue over the west and southwest coasts.

Predictive Services Outlook products: <http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



Today's discussion is from the Environmental Factors Category.

MANAGING VEHICLE TRAFFIC IN SMOKE

Smoke has the potential to cause safety hazards to vehicle traffic in the vicinity of active fires (both wildfires and prescribed), especially at night. The following traffic-related items should be considered and addressed in local unit planning documents prior to an incident/project.

- Identification, location, and phone numbers of local units that have law enforcement and traffic control responsibilities in the smoke-impacted areas. Review any local agreements with these agencies presently in place.
- Identification of important, public roads that may be impacted by smoke.
- Identification of adequate equipment and trained personnel to control traffic. This may include warning signs, communications equipment (preferably not using the active fire frequency) and vehicles equipped with warning or flashing lights.
- Identification and phone numbers of radio and television stations that can issue traffic advisories for the smoke-impacted area.
- Identification of alternative traffic routes as part of the incident/project traffic plan.
- Identification of traffic routes subject to temperature inversions as well as contributory factors such as fog and ice.
- When potential smoke-related problems are identified:
 - Advise the Incident Commander, Burn Boss, or Agency Administrator that severe smoke exists.
 - Notify local law enforcement units and highway departments of a potential problem.
 - Implement preplanned actions such as posting smoke warning signs.
 - Ensure that proper equipment is ready and appropriate personnel are briefed on contingency plans and are available to control traffic.

References:

[Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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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					4		4
	ACRES					0		0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	15						15
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1	2					3
	ACRES	0	1					1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES	6				41	1	48
	ACRES	10				204	60	274
Southern Area	FIRES				1	86	4	91
	ACRES				0	476	13	489
TOTAL	FIRES	8	2	0	1	131	5	147
	ACRES	25	1	0	0	680	73	779

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	16	2			28		46
	ACRES	1,047	202			441		1,690
Northern California	FIRES		1	1	2	311	38	353
	ACRES		0	0	1	561	41	603
Southern California	FIRES	7	22	1	5	471	92	598
	ACRES	9	4	0	1	792	89	895
Northern Rockies	FIRES	340	7	3	2	44	22	418
	ACRES	21,165	1,320	412	620	1,759	597	25,873
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	9	27		2	51	6	95
	ACRES	123	115		0	576	155	969
Western Great Basin	FIRES		20		3	20	3	46
	ACRES		1,099		0	2,316	429	3,844
Southwest	FIRES	166	31	7	3	105	82	394
	ACRES	3,287	1,360	14	2,228	2,950	2,544	12,383
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	314	26	16	2	347	44	749
	ACRES	9,620	223	1,108	808	31,372	874	44,005
Eastern Area	FIRES	458		3	11	3,317	205	3,994
	ACRES	1,393		2	397	31,203	4,314	37,309
Southern Area	FIRES	205		14	20	7,912	249	8,400
	ACRES	28,931		14,863	3,443	100,671	46,819	194,727
TOTAL	FIRES	1,515	136	45	50	12,606	741	15,093
	ACRES	65,575	4,323	16,399	7,498	172,641	55,862	322,298

Ten Year Average Fires	19,792
Ten Year Average Acres	688,488

*** 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				0		2	2
	ACRES				2		25	27
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						83	83
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		0				0	0
	ACRES		32				1,000	1,032
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0	1				1
	ACRES		10	1,037				1,047
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		2			2	5
	ACRES	56		13			82	151
Southern Area	FIRES					26	1	27
	ACRES					956	904	1,860
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	3	0	26	7	37
	ACRES	56	42	1,050	2	956	2,094	4,200

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	30	2			39	72
	ACRES	5	1,222	891			5,170	7,288
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	12	19		120	165
	ACRES	107	153	4,798	141		8,747	13,946
Southern California	FIRES		6	4			138	148
	ACRES		1,516	125			3,495	5,136
Northern Rockies	FIRES	4	9	5	1	1	55	75
	ACRES	243	2,056	895	10	0	5,247	8,451
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	12	1	3	13	17	47
	ACRES	25	246	10	113	326	4,955	5,675
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	4		13	3	27
	ACRES		2,236	419		279	116	3,050
Southwest	FIRES	6	11	5	15		93	130
	ACRES	273	7,706	2,571	109		15,368	26,027
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	17	19	35	16	16	59	162
	ACRES	1,781	1,871	4,137	1,831	1,346	9,602	20,568
Eastern Area	FIRES	21		123	35	699	111	989
	ACRES	20,964		21,503	9,048	47,283	51,602	150,400
Southern Area	FIRES	22		112	50	6,125	726	7,035
	ACRES	4,743		45,886	34,384	386,954	690,292	1,162,259
TOTAL	FIRES	74	106	303	139	6,867	1,361	8,850
	ACRES	28,141	17,006	81,235	45,636	436,188	794,594	1,402,800

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

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

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