

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Wednesday, May 9, 2012 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (80 new fires)  
 New large fires: 3 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 5  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

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: 44  
 New large fires: 2  
 Uncontained large fires: 4

**County Line**, National Forests in Florida. Twenty-five miles north of Lake City, FL. Southern rough. Smoldering.

**Cinco de Mayo**, Florida Forest Service. Twenty-four miles northwest of Coral Springs, FL. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

**Alley South**, Florida Forest Service. Twenty-five miles northwest of Pembroke Pines, FL. Grass. No new information.

\* **Sand Hill**, Florida Forest Service. Two miles southeast of Fellsmere, FL. Southern Rough. Minimal fire activity.

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
County Line	FL	FNF	34,936	0	95	5/15	63	-19	0	11	2	0	7.7M	FS
Cinco de Mayo	FL	FLS	5,159	0	50	UNK	1	-3	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
Alley South	FL	FLS	1,100	---	10	UNK	3	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Sand Hill	FL	FLS	350	---	95	---	38	---	0	9	1	0	NR	ST
* Bomb Range 24	FL	FNF	450	---	100	---	26	---	0	5	3	0	100K	FS
Tarpon	FL	FLS	400	0	100	---	0	-6	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

**Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 11  
New large fires: 1  
Uncontained large fires: 1

\* **School Canyon**, Coronado NF. Sixteen miles southwest of Sierra Vista, AZ. Grass. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

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* School Canyon	AZ	CNF	7,770	---	50	5/9	117	---	3	12	0	0	25K	FS

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop from west Texas along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts to New England. High pressure over the Plains and the Mississippi Valley will bring warm and dry conditions to much of the region. A weak and dry cold front will move through the northern Rockies. Warm and dry weather will continue for most of the interior West with only isolated late thunderstorms developing over the southern Rockies. In Alaska, scattered rain showers will move across the southern half of the state while cool and mostly dry weather will settle over the north. Some snow showers will move into the northwest late.

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



Today's discussion is from the  
Fireline Safety Category.

## DOZER/TRACTOR PLOW OPERATIONS

Dozers/tractor plows provide suppression and support capability for fire operations. When working on or around dozers on the fireline, it is important to respect the following guidelines:

- Load/unload equipment from the transport in a safe manner on a level, stable surface.
- Park transport in an area free of fuel. Clear an area if needed to protect parked equipment.
- Do not sit or bed down near equipment. Walk around the equipment before starting or moving it.
- Lower the dozer blade and/or fire plow to the ground when the equipment is idling or stopped.
- When working a dozer or tractor plow, stay at least 100 feet in front or 50 feet behind the equipment.
- Allow no one but the operator to ride on the equipment.
- Never get on or off equipment while it is moving.
- Provide front and rear lights for equipment working at night or in heavy smoke.
- Provide lights and fluorescent vests to personnel working with dozer/tractor plow units.
- Use hand signals for direction and safety. (See Fireline Handbook Appendix A or IRPG pg 91, for hand signals.)
- Do not use a dozer or tractor plow without a canopy or brush guard and radio communications.
- Operators will wear required PPE and carry a fire shelter.
- Be aware of different fuel types, rates of spread, and flammability.
- Watch for wetlands, steep slopes, rocks, ditches, and other obstacles that might stop the equipment.
- Do not get too far ahead of a firing crew during firing operations.
- Anchor the line to a secure firebreak and create a black line (burn out) until the fire is completely enclosed.
- Tractor plow operators should wear headgear protection for head, face, eyes, and ears while also providing radio reception and ventilation capabilities.
- Tractor plow crews should consist of a minimum of two people.
- When the dozer or tractor plow is equipped with a hand-clutch lever, always take equipment out of gear when mounting and dismounting.

References:

[Safety and Occupational Health Manual Handbook, BLM--1112-1](#)  
[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					4		4
	ACRES					8		8
Northwest	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					2	0	2
Northern California	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					6		6
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	1					4
	ACRES	0	1					1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		0			0		0
Southwest	FIRES		4		1	4	2	11
	ACRES		4		0	1	7,771	7,776
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1				1	1	3
	ACRES	1				3	0	4
Eastern Area	FIRES	2				2		4
	ACRES	16				1		17
Southern Area	FIRES					44		44
	ACRES					838		838
TOTAL	FIRES	6	6	0	1	63	4	80
	ACRES	17	5	0	0	859	7,771	8,652

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1				38	1	40
	ACRES	0				21	0	21
Northwest	FIRES	23	5		1	54	4	87
	ACRES	1,218	9,365		3	708	1	11,295
Northern California	FIRES		1	1	2	397	63	464
	ACRES		0	0	1	678	63	742
Southern California	FIRES	7	34	1	5	547	111	705
	ACRES	9	10	0	1	814	100	934
Northern Rockies	FIRES	453	8	10	2	61	29	563
	ACRES	23,604	1,321	751	620	2,175	729	29,200
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	9	37		2	91	10	149
	ACRES	103	255		0	1,091	157	1,606
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	55		4	38	7	107
	ACRES	12	4,141		0	2,666	537	7,356
Southwest	FIRES	217	58	8	3	177	138	601
	ACRES	3,340	2,932	14	2,228	8,389	11,405	28,308
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	339	39	19	4	425	77	903
	ACRES	17,322	271	1,238	818	33,111	9,892	62,652
Eastern Area	FIRES	619		31	11	5,107	246	6,014
	ACRES	1,599		1,332	397	39,319	5,879	48,526
Southern Area	FIRES	207		17	21	8,812	281	9,338
	ACRES	30,768		14,916	3,443	109,671	47,173	205,971
TOTAL	FIRES	1,878	237	87	55	15,747	967	18,971
	ACRES	77,975	18,295	18,251	7,511	198,643	75,936	396,611

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>25,374</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>948,931</b>

\*\*\* 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		1					1
	ACRES		108					108
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES		0				6	6
	ACRES		250				882	1,132
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1	4				5
	ACRES		30	297				327
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						14	14
Southern Area	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					450	1,313	1,763
TOTAL	FIRES	0	2	4	0	1	8	15
	ACRES	0	388	297	0	450	2,209	3,344

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					911		911
Northwest	FIRES	1	34	3			56	94
	ACRES	5	2,440	909			8,170	11,524
Northern California	FIRES	2	13	12	21		137	185
	ACRES	107	203	16,850	151		10,554	27,865
Southern California	FIRES		6	4		1	151	162
	ACRES		1,518	125		550	3,944	6,137
Northern Rockies	FIRES	10	8	30	3	5	111	167
	ACRES	1,463	4,061	9,356	233	156	13,263	28,532
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	16	2	4	20	33	77
	ACRES	727	911	188	269	337	13,246	15,678
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	4		13	4	29
	ACRES		2,261	419		279	221	3,180
Southwest	FIRES	10	11	6	15		111	153
	ACRES	332	7,706	2,591	109		37,275	48,013
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	22	22	44	21	12	55	176
	ACRES	2,022	2,495	5,686	2,492	1,256	9,437	23,388
Eastern Area	FIRES	33		336	40	850	133	1,392
	ACRES	21,498		61,995	9,054	52,524	54,510	199,581
Southern Area	FIRES	22		116	50	6,626	806	7,620
	ACRES	4,743		47,141	34,384	408,893	777,652	1,272,813
TOTAL	FIRES	102	118	557	154	7,531	1,597	10,059
	ACRES	30,897	21,595	145,260	46,692	464,906	928,272	1,637,622

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

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