

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
FRIDAY DECEMBER 17, 2004 – 1000 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 185 new fires reported for the week. One new large fire was contained in the Southern Area.

SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
ICE CREAM	OK	CHA	400	100	---	3	0	1	0	0	\$1,500

CHA = Chickasaw Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: The upcoming weather will generally be characterized by a trough of cold low pressure in the East and relatively dry northwest flow over the West. Strong offshore wind will weaken later today in California, in favor of a more stable air mass with higher relative humidity for the upcoming week. A mainly dry cold front will press into the Southeast this weekend, reaching northern Florida on Sunday. A chance of light snow in northern Idaho, western Montana and western Wyoming starting Monday.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern California Sunny and very windy.	55 to 65 Sierra Mountains. 60 to low 70s southern California mountains. 70s to near 80 valleys. 60s upper deserts. 70s lower deserts.	7 to 15%, except 20 to 30% Sierra foothills	Northeast to east 20 to 40 mph, with higher gusts in southern California. Elsewhere northeast to southeast 5 to 15 mph.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

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.

FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

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						0	0
Southern California	FIRES					5	5	10
	ACRES					0	1	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				3	3	2	8
	ACRES				14	3	80	97
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						16	16
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					4		4
Southern Area	FIRES	3		6		138	15	162
	ACRES	482		66		489	346	1,383
TOTAL	FIRES	3	0	6	3	148	25	185
	ACRES	482	0	66	14	496	443	1,501

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	6	57	82	21	497	44	707
	ACRES	7,131	1,198,435	2,063,237	29,835	3,347,324	16	6,645,978
Northwest	FIRES	368	324	38	74	1,768	1,371	3,943
	ACRES	22,722	5,024	1,360	393	18,356	74,783	122,638
Northern California	FIRES	150	129	12	25	2,879	1,052	4,247
	ACRES	188	19,128	43	1,138	91,802	38,006	150,305
Southern California	FIRES	39	115	36	44	3,093	827	4,154
	ACRES	676	6,085	1,947	5,095	67,171	11,430	92,404
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,174	63	24	13	791	864	2,929
	ACRES	6,741	1,564	1,316	4	17,985	10,591	38,201
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	62	883	2	47	541	751	2,286
	ACRES	522	41,844	1	60	9,073	37,688	89,188
Western Great Basin	FIRES	26	637	13	19	107	152	954
	ACRES	364	22,435	2,666	79	7,884	6,363	39,791
Southwest	FIRES	778	189	5	88	704	1,785	3,549
	ACRES	5,327	6,139	201	532	7,067	283,414	302,680
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	339	492	39	51	542	515	1,978
	ACRES	5,573	5,006	1,274	37	25,169	8,077	45,136
Eastern Area	FIRES	495		48	29	11,219	521	12,312
	ACRES	5,109		2,435	111	85,005	6,027	98,687
Southern Area	FIRES	144		80	86	26,983	682	27,975
	ACRES	16,498		21,651	5,072	338,083	74,828	456,132
TOTAL	FIRES	3,581	2,889	379	497	49,124	8,564	65,034
	ACRES	70,851	1,305,660	2,096,131	42,356	4,014,919	551,223	8,081,140

Eight Year Average Fires	75,415
Eight Year Average Acres	5,568,948

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

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES LAST WEEK:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	16				31	48
	ACRES	40	17,470				4,919	22,429
Northern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						15	15
Southern California	FIRES						9	9
	ACRES						31	31
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	175						175
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		22					22
Western Great Basin	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			638				638
Southwest	FIRES		2				14	16
	ACRES		82				157	239
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0			0	1	1
	ACRES		120			95	94	309
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			7	4	1	23	35
	ACRES			5,239	3,040	300	21,254	29,833
TOTAL	FIRES	2	19	8	4	1	80	114
	ACRES	215	17,694	5,877	3,040	395	26,470	53,691

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			5		6
	ACRES		33,000			22,901		55,901
Northwest	FIRES	70	263	73	1	4	858	1,269
	ACRES	18,167	44,432	6,282	30	1,113	102,104	172,128
Northern California	FIRES	15	24	28	27		421	515
	ACRES	262	2,156	20,227	3,653		39,058	65,356
Southern California	FIRES	2	6	23	15		177	223
	ACRES	205	93	2,220	981		9,757	13,256
Northern Rockies	FIRES	50	10	111	6	163	880	1,220
	ACRES	3,598	2,872	20,641	1,067	6,220	56,473	90,871
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	32	5	8	98	136	280
	ACRES	149	15,326	2,449	4,811	9,273	35,328	67,336
Western Great Basin	FIRES		10	6	3		6	25
	ACRES		2,447	1,179	414		1,013	5,053
Southwest	FIRES	31	21	7	16		702	777
	ACRES	12,845	4,896	12,769	11,406		113,444	155,360
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	52	61	167	20	20	171	491
	ACRES	7,170	18,314	24,911	13,978	10,472	48,307	123,152
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		432	25	1,119	266	1,871
	ACRES	15,115		55,046	4,628	76,373	40,463	191,625
Southern Area	FIRES	51		292	111	417	1,192	2,063
	ACRES	8,503		111,334	114,282	220,807	1,044,739	1,499,665
TOTAL	FIRES	301	428	1,144	232	1,826	4,809	8,740
	ACRES	66,014	123,536	257,058	155,250	347,159	1,490,686	2,439,703

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				3			3
	ACRES				66,917			66,917
Northwest	FIRES		1		5		13	19
	ACRES		7		200		1,871	2,078
Northern California	FIRES				12		5	17
	ACRES				3,435		0	3,435
Southern California	FIRES				11		28	39
	ACRES				4,712		222	4,934
Northern Rockies	FIRES				15		63	78
	ACRES				0		2,410	2,410
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1	0	49	50
	ACRES				0	10	13,479	13,489
Western Great Basin	FIRES		15		2			17
	ACRES		494		0			494
Southwest	FIRES				10		28	38
	ACRES				1,703		14,820	16,523
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		28	3	2	0	6	39
	ACRES		6,649	295	0	2,271	613	9,828
Eastern Area	FIRES				3		1	4
	ACRES				1,436		1	1,437
Southern Area	FIRES				1			1
	ACRES				3,007			3,007
TOTAL	FIRES	0	44	3	65	0	193	305
	ACRES	0	7,150	295	81,410	2,281	33,416	124,552

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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										
Northern California										
Southern California		5	1	13						2
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	0	5	1	13	0	0	0	0	0	2

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