

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Monday, March 9, 2009 – 0800 MDT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity (March 6 – March 8)

Initial attack activity:	Moderate (751 new fires)
New large fires:	29 (*)
Large fires contained:	28
Uncontained large fires:	16
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1
Fire Use Teams committed:	0

** Uncontained large fires do not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

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

The U.S. has mobilized three Burned Area Emergency Response teams, one 20-person suppression crew and 15 fire specialists and managers to Australia.

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	668
New large fires:	25
Uncontained large fires:	14
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

2009 Winter Initial Attack, Texas Forest Service. Texas IMT 2 (Bennett). IMT is supporting multiple fires in west Texas. Acres reported are a cumulative total.

Putnam, Oklahoma DOF. One mile north of Putman, OK. Grass. No further information received.

Francis, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. Started on private land three miles northeast of Bristow, OK. Timber and grass. Creeping and smoldering. Structures threatened.

Targa, Sabine National Wildlife Refuge, FWS. Twelve miles southeast of Hackberry, LA. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

Deep Fork, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. Four miles south of Gypsy, OK. Hardwood litter and grass. Active fire behavior with spotting.

Wilderness Ridge, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land thirty-three miles southeast of Austin, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

Cameron Meadows, Sabine National Wildlife Refuge. Twelve miles southeast of Hackberry, LA. Grass. Active fire behavior.

Loma del Norte, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land eight miles south of Alpine, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened.

Tuscola, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land fifteen miles south of Abilene, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire behavior. Structures threatened.

#82, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles west of Centerville, TX. Timber litter. Moderate fire activity.

Mouse Mountain, National Forests in North Carolina. Seven miles north of Franklin, NC. Timber and hardwood litter. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

Mt. Noble #2, Eastern Cherokee Nation, BIA. Two miles southeast of Cherokee, NC. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior. Residences threatened.

Cedar Cliff, National Forests in North Carolina. Eleven miles southwest of Franklin, SC. Timber and hardwood litter. No further information received. Residences threatened.

Sweetwater Creek, National Forests in Mississippi. Five miles south of New Augusta, MS. Timber and grass. Moderate 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
2009 Winter Initial Attack	TX	TXS	6,931	203	NR	UNK	498	31	2	30	8	0	9.3M	PRI
* Putnam	OK	OKS	52,000	---	70	3/10	319	---	0	151	1	11	NR	ST
* Francis	OK	OMA	2,615	---	80	3/9	25	---	0	9	0	0	NR	PRI
Targa	LA	SBR	2,305	5	90	3/10	8	1	0	1	1	0	19K	FWS
Deep Fork	OK	OMA	1,800	0	95	UNK	23	0	1	6	0	0	NR	BIA
Wilderness Ridge	TX	TXS	1,491	0	95	UNK	34	0	0	0	4	90	NR	PRI
* Cameron Meadows	LA	SBR	900	---	75	3/10	2	---	0	2	0	0	0.1K	FWS
Loma del Norte	TX	TXS	800	0	95	UNK	35	0	1	0	2	0	NR	PRI
Tuscola	TX	TXS	300	0	95	UNK	12	0	0	14	3	3	NR	PRI
* #82	TX	TXS	200	---	90	UNK	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Mouse Mountain	NC	NCF	175	---	90	3/9	80	---	0	15	2	0	15.6K	FS
* Mt. Noble #2	NC	ECA	110	---	50	3/9	22	---	1	0	0	0	10K	BIA
* Cedar Cliff	NC	NCF	105	---	80	3/11	89	---	0	13	0	0	13.6K	FS
* Sweetwater Creek	MS	MNF	102	---	75	3/10	9	---	0	3	0	0	10K	FS
Rhodes Ranch	TX	TXS	3,026	0	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	2	NR	PRI
Highway 110	OK	OKS	3,000	0	100	---	31	-4	0	15	0	0	NR	ST
* Lin San Manuel	TX	TXS	1,650	650	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	2	NR	PRI
Elm Wood	OK	OKS	1,400	0	100	---	23	0	0	10	0	0	NR	ST
* Spring Creek	TX	TXS	1,200	---	100	---	8	0	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
#1053	TX	TXS	645	5	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	2	NR	PRI
* Peevyhouse	OK	OKS	586	---	100	---	10	0	0	3	0	0	NR	ST
* Turkey Track	FL	FLS	500	---	100	---	15	---	0	4	0	0	NR	ST
* Flatwoods	LA	KIF	450	-50	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	FS

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
* Whisky Chitto	LA	KIF	385	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	3K	FS
Grave	OK	OKS	360	0	100	---	5	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Blakely 1	AR	OUF	326	---	100	---	15	---	0	13	0	0	NR	FS
* Boar Mountain	OK	OKS	320	---	100	---	11	---	0	4	0	0	NR	ST
* Sandy Creek	MS	MSS	275	---	100	---	18	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Gray	OK	OKS	180	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* White Mountain	KY	KYS	170	---	100	---	13	---	2	1	0	0	5K	PRI
* Wooten Road	KY	KYS	150	---	100	---	17	---	1	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Red Creek Off Road	MS	MNF	149	---	100	---	12	---	12	0	4	1	NR	FS
* Golf Hollow	KY	KYS	140	---	100	---	16	---	1	1	0	0	NR	PRI
* Drafin	KY	KYS	102	---	100	---	14	---	1	1	0	0	NR	PRI
* Little Bahala	MS	MSS	101	---	100	---	6	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Collier Creek	KY	KYS	100	---	100	---	12	---	1	0	0	0	NR	PRI

FLS – Florida DOF

KIF – Kisatchie NF

OUF – Ouachita NF

MSS – Mississippi Forestry Commission

KYS – Kentucky DOF

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires: 2

New large fires: 2

Uncontained large fires: 2

Hog, Coronado NF. Thirty-five miles northeast of Douglas, AZ. Juniper, brush and grass. No new information.

Picacho, Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry. Twenty-five miles west of Hope, NM. Grass. 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
Hog	AZ	CNF	16,800	160	90	3/10	163	-53	5	3	1	0	245K	FS
Picacho	NM	N5S	12,500	3,500	90	3/9	99	-12	4	3	0	0	450K	ST
* Buckeye	NM	N5S	2,788	---	100	---	56	---	0	25	0	0	23K	ST
* Klien	NM	N5S	1,200	---	100	---	22	---	0	9	0	0	3.7K	ST

Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)

New fires: 4
 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
Quarry	CO	FCQ	6,328	0	100	---	9	-37	0	4	0	4	250K	DOD

FCQ – Fort Carson FD

Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 76
 New large fires: 2
 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
Fibleman Cemetery	MO	MTF	200	0	100	---	1	0	0	0	0	0	NR	FS
* Floyd Tower	MO	MTF	200	0	100	---	2	---	0	0	0	0	4K	FS
* Raleigh	IL	ILS	160	0	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	7K	ST

MTF – Mark Twain NF ILS – Illinois Division of Forest Resources

Predictive Services Discussion: Dry conditions and strong winds will develop today over portions of the New Mexico, Colorado and the southern Great Plains ahead of a large low pressure system. The low pressure system and associated cold front will move across the central U.S. on Tuesday. The Mid-Atlantic States will see breezy conditions along with low relative humidity.

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



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

Chainsaw Safety

Chainsaw safety is every saw operator's job.

- Always wear proper P.P.E. when handling or working around chainsaws.
 - Eye protection- approved goggles or safety glasses (no sunglasses)
 - Chainsaw Chaps- proper size and length
 - Gloves-proper size
 - Long sleeve shirt-no loose sleeves
 - Leather boots-no loose boot laces

- Take the time to inspect the chainsaw before operating the saw.
 - Check the chain and bar- Sharpness of chain, Bar seated correctly
 - Check the bolts and screws all around the saw- no missing screws or bolts
 - Check the casing of the saw- no cracked or missing plastic

- Make sure you're aware of your surroundings while operating the chainsaw.
 - Look for people working in your area- advise all personnel you're operating the saw.
 - Look for any snags or hazards in your area- look up for power lines, widow makers, etc.
 - Make sure you always have a spotter or swamper to use for communications.
 - Always watch your footing while operating the saw- loose, rocky, steep terrain can cause you to slip while the chainsaw is running.

- Always make sure you are comfortable doing the task at hand.
 - Proper training for personnel running saws.
 - While falling trees know your escape route.
 - If you are not comfortable falling the tree walk away. Notify your supervisor and mitigate the safety issues or turn down the assignment.

Fires and Acres (March 6 – March 8)

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		16				162	178
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			0		4		4
	ACRES			4		82		86
Eastern Area	FIRES					66	10	76
	ACRES					620	320	940
Southern Area	FIRES	4		1		634	29	668
	ACRES	2,730		2,505		23,644	946	29,825
TOTAL	FIRES	5	1	1	0	704	40	751
	ACRES	2,730	16	2,509	0	24,346	1,428	31,029

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1					3	4
	ACRES	0					1	1
Northern California	FIRES					65	1	66
	ACRES					245	0	245
Southern California	FIRES					137	8	145
	ACRES					1,069	0	1,069
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3				2		5
	ACRES	0				14,490		14,490
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			3	1	6
	ACRES		13			42	0	55
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3			3		6
	ACRES		0			9		9
Southwest	FIRES	27	7	1	2	46	25	108
	ACRES	46	569	0	23	5,212	17,380	23,230
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28		0	1	55	5	89
	ACRES	533		27	0	23,407	159	24,126
Eastern Area	FIRES			1		557	69	627
	ACRES			0		7,873	1,791	9,664
Southern Area	FIRES	190		72	15	11,172	201	11,650
	ACRES	8,745		11,666	2,294	222,521	5,223	250,449
TOTAL	FIRES	249	12	74	18	12,040	313	12,706
	ACRES	9,324	582	11,693	2,317	274,868	24,554	323,338

Seven Year Average Fires	9,921
Seven Year Average Acres	279,502

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Prescribed Fires and Acres (March 6 – March 8)

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		26					26
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1		3				4
	ACRES	80		380				460
Eastern Area	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						723	723
Southern Area	FIRES			6		29	38	73
	ACRES			1,712		13,091	31,210	46,013
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	9	0	29	41	81
	ACRES	80	26	2,092	0	13,091	31,933	47,222

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		71	3			9	83
	ACRES		2,611	170			295	3,076
Northern California	FIRES	20	20	3	14	4	98	159
	ACRES	179	148	851	81	1,155	3,153	5,567
Southern California	FIRES		6	3			107	116
	ACRES		165	56			7,404	7,625
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	1				2	5
	ACRES	86	10				104	200
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		17		2	13	10	42
	ACRES		709		55	60	543	1,367
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1			4	8
	ACRES		72	0			144	216
Southwest	FIRES	2	3		1		73	79
	ACRES	40	4,200		179		7,400	11,819
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	18	7	27	2	6	57	117
	ACRES	1,169	54	3,417	21	114	7,373	12,148
Eastern Area	FIRES			5		107	18	130
	ACRES			103		15,265	4,255	19,623
Southern Area	FIRES	1		119	39	437	501	1,097
	ACRES	10		68,801	39,276	128,122	449,023	685,232
TOTAL	FIRES	43	128	161	58	567	879	1,836
	ACRES	1,484	7,969	73,398	39,612	144,716	479,694	746,873

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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