

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, March 20, 2009 – 0800 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity:	Light (186 new fires)
New large fires:	6 (*)
Large fires contained:	7
Uncontained large fires:	11
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 one Burned Area Emergency Response team and one fire manager to Australia.

**Southern Area (PL 2)**

New fires:	112
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	9
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.

**Juniper Springs**, National Forests in Florida. Nine miles east of Silver Springs, FL. Southern rough and downed heavy fuels. Creeping.

**Joe Bob**, Osage Agency, BIA. Two miles southeast of Barnsdall, OK. Hardwood litter and grass. No new information.

**Two Hogs**, Osage Agency, BIA. Two miles southeast of Barnsdall, OK. Hardwood litter and grass. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Crispy Chip**, Osage Agency, BIA. Four miles northeast of Sand Springs, OK. Hardwood litter and grass. No new information.

**Hailey**, Texas Forest Service. Eleven miles northeast of Abilene, TX. Brush and Grass. No new information.

**Miller**, Oklahoma DOF. Eight miles northeast of Antlers, OK. Timber and grass. Minimal fire activity.

**Hardridge**, Okmulgee Field Office, BIA. Five miles west of Okmulgee, OK. Hardwood litter and grass. Creeping. Last report unless new information is received.

**Squires Mountain**, Oklahoma DOF. Two miles south of Hulbert, OK. 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
2009 Winter Initial Attack	TX	TXS	8,761	126	NR	UNK	400	-10	0	13	3	0	12.9M	PRI
Juniper Springs	FL	FNF	10,022	0	85	3/23	98	-24	1	5	1	0	1.2M	FS
Joe Bob	OK	OSA	3600	---	50	3/21	32	---	0	12	0	2	NR	BIA
Two Hogs	OK	OSA	832	---	90	UNK	26	---	0	8	0	0	NR	BIA
Crispy Chip	OK	OSA	528	---	90	UNK	13	---	0	6	0	0	NR	BIA
Hailey	TX	TXS	494	---	90	UNK	51	---	0	9	1	0	NR	ST
* Miller	OK	OKS	450	---	60	UNK	1	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
Hardridge	OK	OMA	160	0	95	UNK	5	-11	0	2	0	0	NR	BIA
Squires Mountain	OK	OKS	160	---	80	UNK	4	---	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
Woody	FL	FLS	700	300	100	---	16	2	0	2	1	0	NR	ST
Winnott	FL	FLS	280	-20	100	---	0	-16	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Drew's Eyebrow	OK	OKS	200	---	100	---	31	---	0	14	0	0	NR	ST
Zeb	OK	OKS	130	---	100	---	18	0	0	6	0	0	NR	ST

FLS - Florida DOF

### **Southwest 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
Gleeson	AZ	A3S	782	202	100	---	23	-62	1	1	0	0	NR	ST

A3S – Tucson District, Arizona State Forestry

### **Eastern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 51  
 New large fires: 4  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Reynolds Hollow**, Missouri Department of Conservation. Started on private land ten miles southeast of Osceola, MO. Hardwood litter. Moderate 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
* Reynolds Hollow	MO	MOS	575	---	75	3/20	25	---	0	6	0	0	NR	PRI
* Timber Lake	MO	MOS	388	---	100	---	22	---	0	4	0	1	NR	PRI
* Troy Meadows	NJ	NJS	150	---	100	---	20	---	0	7	1	0	8k	ST

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
* Marcoot	MO	MTF	109	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	PRI

NJS – New Jersey Forest Fire Service      MTF - Mark Twain NF

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 7  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

**Burmack**, Kansas Counties. Four miles north of Burrton, KS. Timber, brush and 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
Burmack	KS	KSX	350	0	90	UNK	35	0	0	13	0	0	11.2K	CNTY

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A large surface high pressure system will build over the eastern U.S. behind a cold front bringing low relative humidity through the weekend. A large upper level low pressure trough will move into the West this weekend bringing widespread showers and strong winds. Eastern Colorado, New Mexico and northwest Texas will see dry and windy conditions on Sunday and Monday.

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



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

## Escape

A primary objective of every operational fire plan is to keep firefighters out of entrapment situations. However, firefighters must always be prepared to escape quickly to a safety zone. Consider the following during discussion of escape routes and safety zones.

- You should always know the location of your escape routes and safety zones.
- Reassess escape routes throughout the operational period.
  - Has the time you need to escape changed?
  - Is the escape route uphill or down?
  - Do you have more than one escape route?
  - Are all escape routes clearly marked?
  - Are all firefighters familiar with the escape routes?
  - If the identified escape routes are compromised, are there other options for escape?
- Time may be critical during an escape. If you realize your escape may be compromised:
  - Drop your line pack and gear because:
    - It is easier to deploy your fire shelter when you're not wearing your line pack.
    - Escape is quicker.
    - Your line pack may contain fuses or saw gas.
  - Take your fire shelter with you.
  - Face and neck shrouds offer additional protection against radiant heat.
- Stay alert for changing conditions that may indicate a need for you to speed up your escape or to deploy your fire shelter. Conditions can change very quickly. Be alert for:
  - Increases in wind or smoke
  - Change in wind direction
  - Increases in temperature
  - Embers blowing past you
  - Spot fires forming near you
- If it becomes apparent that you are not going to reach a safety zone, it may be time to deploy your fire shelter. Remember:
  - Be alert for possible shelter deployment areas as you move.
  - Firefighters need to decide whether to continue escaping or to deploy their fire shelters.
  - Give yourself ample time to deploy before the heat and flames arrive.

### 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
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					24		24
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	5	1			1	4	11
	ACRES	5	75			58	6	144
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0			7		7
	ACRES		1			61		62
Eastern Area	FIRES			3		41	7	51
	ACRES			26		228	319	573
Southern Area	FIRES					108	4	112
	ACRES					1,788	111	1,899
TOTAL	FIRES	5	1	3	0	159	18	186
	ACRES	5	76	26	0	2,159	436	2,702

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	2				4	7
	ACRES	0	12				1	13
Northern California	FIRES					72	3	75
	ACRES					250	1	251
Southern California	FIRES					144	12	156
	ACRES					1,069	0	1,069
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	1			2		6
	ACRES	0	0			14,490		14,490
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2			5	1	8
	ACRES		13			66	0	79
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3			3		6
	ACRES		0			9		9
Southwest	FIRES	56	9	1	2	118	35	221
	ACRES	439	644	0	23	32,636	17,389	51,131
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	34	1	0	1	91	5	132
	ACRES	644	1	27	0	37,336	159	38,167
Eastern Area	FIRES			6		1,810	130	1,946
	ACRES			29		18,195	3,262	21,486
Southern Area	FIRES	212		85	18	15,362	250	15,927
	ACRES	12,270		5,816	2,326	309,810	12,368	342,590
TOTAL	FIRES	306	18	92	21	17,607	440	18,484
	ACRES	13,353	670	5,872	2,349	413,861	33,180	469,285

<b>Seven Year Average Fires</b>	<b>10,695</b>
<b>Seven Year Average Acres</b>	<b>446,459</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				2	3
	ACRES		175				31	206
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						13	13
Southern California	FIRES		1				3	4
	ACRES		250				264	514
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1		1	1	0	3
	ACRES		444		15	7	100	566
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1				0	1
	ACRES		10				489	499
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			3	4	8
	ACRES		10			22	2,169	2,201
Eastern Area	FIRES			15		3	3	21
	ACRES			2,800		39	969	3,808
Southern Area	FIRES			4	1	37	26	68
	ACRES			483	555	24,434	22,004	47,476
TOTAL	FIRES	0	5	19	2	44	39	109
	ACRES	0	889	3,283	570	24,502	26,039	55,283

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		72	3			9	84
	ACRES		2,836	170			309	3,315
Northern California	FIRES	24	24	4	20	4	102	178
	ACRES	207	152	1,352	95	1,155	3,224	6,185
Southern California	FIRES		8	5			112	125
	ACRES		416	96			7,923	8,435
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	1				6	9
	ACRES	86	10				825	921
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		23	1	4	14	11	53
	ACRES		1,397	750	100	76	763	3,086
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1			5	9
	ACRES		72	0			219	291
Southwest	FIRES	2	7	2	2		104	117
	ACRES	40	8,850	251	229		10,392	19,762
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	24	9	29	3	13	66	144
	ACRES	1,844	89	3,417	41	244	11,208	16,843
Eastern Area	FIRES			22	8	203	34	267
	ACRES			2,923	5,043	23,550	13,980	45,496
Southern Area	FIRES	5		130	49	490	562	1,236
	ACRES	495		61,184	47,857	130,965	492,551	733,052
TOTAL	FIRES	57	147	197	86	724	1,011	2,222
	ACRES	2,672	13,822	70,143	53,365	155,990	541,394	837,386

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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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