

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Monday, April 6, 2009 – 0800 MDT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (April 3 – April 5)**

Initial attack activity:	Light (58 new fires)
New large fires:	13 (*)
Large fires contained:	7
Uncontained large fires:	16
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

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

**Southern Area (PL 2)**

New fires:	24
New large fires:	13
Uncontained large fires:	16
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

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

**Magic City**, Texas Forest Service. Eight miles southwest of Wheeler, TX. Grass. Low rates of spread in light fuels.

**Cleo**, Oklahoma DOF. One mile northwest of Cleo Springs, OK. Brush and grass. No further information received.

**79**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles northeast of Olney, TX. Brush and grass. Interior smoldering.

**Turtle**, Padre Island National Seashore. Padre Island, TX. Grass. Backing fire.

**Two Bush Road**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land four miles south of Joplin, TX. Grass and brush. Moderate fire activity.

**Sandia Complex**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land three miles east of Sandia, TX. Brush and grass. No new information.

**Kiowa West 4**, Oklahoma DOF. One mile west of Kiowa, OK. Timber. No further information received.

**Anthan Church**, Oklahoma DOF. Two miles East of Butler, OK. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

**864**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 17 miles northeast of Sonora, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

**Turkey Knob**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles west of Boerne, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

**Jeter II**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land three miles west of Albany, TX. Grass and brush. Moderate fire activity.

**Littlewolfe**, Wewoka Agency, BIA. Three miles southwest of Cornwell, OK. Hardwood litter and grass. No new information.

**Mountain Top 99**, Oklahoma DOF. Four miles southwest of Counts, OK. Timber. No further information received.

**Black Canyon**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 15 miles north of Alpine, TX. Grass and timber understory. Creeping.

**Siebenicher**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 14 miles south of Fredericksburg, TX. Grass and timber understory. Interior smoldering.

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	12,992	720	NR	UNK	314	40	0	16	4	0	17.5	PRI
* Magic City	TX	TXS	15,000	7,000	25	UNK	47	8	0	10	0	34	NR	ST
* Cleo	OK	OKS	11,520	---	60	4/6	2	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
79	TX	TXS	8,000	0	85	UNK	5	0	0	2	0	0	NR	PRI
* Turtle	TX	PAP	7,250	250	70	UNK	2	-5	0	0	0	0	22K	NPS
* Two Bush Road	TX	TXS	2,190	1,190	75	UNK	20	0	0	3	1	1	NR	PRI
Sandia Complex	TX	TXS	2,000	---	90	UNK	3	----	0	1	0	4	NR	PRI
* Kiowa West 4	OK	OKS	1,900	---	80	UNK	6	---	0	3	0	0	NR	ST
* Anthan Church	OK	OKS	1,150	---	60	4/6	115	---	0	36	0	1	9.5K	ST
864	TX	TXS	550	0	90	UNK	3	-9	0	1	0	0	NR	PRI
Turkey Knob	TX	TXS	520	0	95	4/6	3	0	0	1	0	0	NR	PRI
* Jeter II	TX	TXS	410	60	75	UNK	8	-26	0	3	0	0	NR	PRI
* Littlewolfe	OK	WEA	380	---	70	UNK	6	---	0	1	0	0	NR	BIA
* Mountain Top 99	OK	OKS	300	---	80	UNK	6	---	0	3	0	0	NR	ST
* Black Canyon	TX	TXS	300	0	90	UNK	45	0	1	1	0	0	NR	PRI
* Siebenicher	TX	TXS	300	0	95	UNK	21	3	0	3	1	0	NR	PRI
* Middle Mountain Rock	OK	OKS	900	---	100	---	6	---	0	3	0	0	NR	ST
Chamnes	TX	TXS	400	0	100	---	3	0	0	1	0	0	NR	PRI
Sellers Mountain	OK	OKS	350	0	100	---	4	0	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Clearwater #29	FL	FNF	337	0	100	---	13	-1	0	2	0	0	11.3K	FS
Blue Mtn. @ Blocker	OK	OKS	100	0	100	---	4	0	0	2	0	0	NR	ST

FNF – National Forests in Florida

**Southwest Area (PL 2 )**

New fires: 8  
 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
Montana	AZ	CNF	2,400	0	100	---	2	-16	0	0	0	0	400K	FS

CNF - Coronado NF

**Eastern Area (PL 1 )**

New fires: 15  
 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
Rock House	MO	MTF	169	3	100	---	2	-11	0	0	0	0	NR	FS

MTF - Mark Twain NF

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A large ridge of high pressure will remain dominant over the West with above normal temperatures most locations. A low pressure system approaching the California coast will bring dry and windy conditions to the central valley of California. Low relative humidity in combination with gusty winds will develop today across portions of Texas. Marginal relative humidity values will develop in dry northerly flow behind a cold front today across the Southeast.

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



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

### **Hazard Trees**

Snags (dead, standing trees without leaves or needles in the crowns) and other hazard trees present a significant hazard to wildland firefighters. Snags typically have much lower fuel moistures than live, green trees; and they burn more readily. In the process, they often throw spot fires far in advance of the main fire and often burn through more quickly than green trees, falling with little or no warning. Live, green trees have been weakened by insects, disease, weather, past fires, and age present equal hazard and can fall without warning.

- The risk of injuries from hazard trees increases during the night operational period when visibility is greatly reduced.
- While the cooler, nighttime period is generally a more effective time to gain control of wildfires, the increased risk from unseen falling snags and weakened live trees may limit the widespread use of crews at night in areas of dead and dying timber.
- Environmental conditions that increase risk from hazard trees: Strong winds or erratic winds from storm cells. Night operations. Air operations - cargo drops, water or retardant drops, helicopter take off/landing, low-level flights. Steep slopes. Diseased or bug-killed areas.
- Things to consider when assessing the potential dangers of hazard trees: Trees have been burning for an extended period. High-risk tree species (those that are known for rot and shallow root systems) are in the area. Numerous downed trees. Dead or broken tips and limbs overhead. Accumulation of downed limbs. Tree decay, cavities, splits, cracks. Absence of needles, bark or limbs. Leaning or hung-up trees. Roots damaged by equipment or erosion.
- Mitigation measures to take: Identify and flag all high-risk areas until the hazard has been removed. Keep personnel out of the high-risk areas until the hazard has been removed. Use saw teams and falling bosses. Establish lookouts. Plan a quick and safe escape route. Do not turn your back on a falling tree. Maintain situational awareness.

**Fires and Acres (April 3 – April 5)**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES					7	2	9
	ACRES					3	0	3
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		98					98
Southwest	FIRES	3	1			2	2	8
	ACRES	3	1			1	6	11
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			0		1		1
	ACRES			7		151		158
Eastern Area	FIRES					15		15
	ACRES					109		109
Southern Area	FIRES			2	2	18	2	24
	ACRES			1	7,250	393	347	7,991
TOTAL	FIRES	3	2	2	2	43	6	58
	ACRES	3	99	8	7,250	657	353	8,370

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	8	2				4	14
	ACRES	61	12				1	74
Northern California	FIRES	7			1	97	15	120
	ACRES	14			0	262	7	283
Southern California	FIRES			1		207	16	224
	ACRES			0		1,130	1	1,131
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	2			3		8
	ACRES	0	1			14,490		14,491
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		6	1		15	2	24
	ACRES		13	171		87	0	271
Western Great Basin	FIRES	2	8			4		14
	ACRES	0	120			9		129
Southwest	FIRES	75	22	2	2	196	49	346
	ACRES	809	9,868	1	23	65,682	19,931	96,314
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	35	4	1	1	115	5	161
	ACRES	646	16	35	0	39,921	159	40,777
Eastern Area	FIRES			6		2,939	204	3,149
	ACRES			29		28,354	4,565	32,948
Southern Area	FIRES	199		120	21	17,547	316	18,203
	ACRES	11,624		9,697	9,720	352,304	19,096	402,441
TOTAL	FIRES	329	44	131	25	21,123	611	22,263
	ACRES	13,154	10,030	9,933	9,743	502,239	43,760	588,859

<b>Seven Year Average Fires</b>	<b>17,842</b>
<b>Seven Year Average Acres</b>	<b>597,875</b>

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

**Prescribed Fires and Acres (April 3 – April 5)**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						5	5
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						3	3
	ACRES						1,501	1,501
Rocky Mountain	FIRES				0		1	1
	ACRES				3		21	24
Eastern Area	FIRES					13	5	18
	ACRES					830	115	945
Southern Area	FIRES	1		1		4	13	19
	ACRES	1,800		740		4,250	18,130	24,920
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	1	0	17	23	42
	ACRES	1,800	0	740	3	5,080	19,772	27,395

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	76	7			10	94
	ACRES	71	3,629	2,223			364	6,287
Northern California	FIRES	26	29	12	25	4	121	217
	ACRES	224	156	5,373	132	1,155	3,526	10,566
Southern California	FIRES		5	5			119	129
	ACRES		456	96			8,833	9,385
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2	1				8	11
	ACRES	86	10				836	932
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		25	1	5	19	12	62
	ACRES		1,506	750	103	101	916	3,376
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1			5	10
	ACRES		76	0			219	295
Southwest	FIRES	2	9	2	2		119	134
	ACRES	40	9,515	251	229		13,428	23,463
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28	8	40	4	11	74	165
	ACRES	2,796	86	4,712	46	371	18,633	26,644
Eastern Area	FIRES			25	20	321	55	421
	ACRES			4,887	8,187	29,074	29,578	71,726
Southern Area	FIRES	6		189	62	564	685	1,506
	ACRES	2,390		81,191	60,225	198,191	655,817	997,814
TOTAL	FIRES	65	157	282	118	919	1,208	2,749
	ACRES	5,607	15,434	99,483	68,922	228,892	732,150	1,150,488

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