

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, April 29, 2010 – 0530 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity: Light (107 new fires)
 New large fires: 2 (*)
 Large fires contained: 2
 Uncontained large fires : ** 1
 Area Command Teams committed: 0
 NIMOs committed: 0
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 2 large fires being managed with minimal or no resource commitment.

** Uncontained large fires do not include confine/contain and resource benefit incidents.**

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

Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 68
 New large fires: 0
 Uncontained large fires: 1

Nelson Prairie, Detroit Lakes NWR. Started on private land three miles northeast of Bejou, MN. Hardwood litter and grass. 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
Nelson Prairie	MN	DLR	535	0	95	UNK	2	0	0	1	0	0	1K	PRI
Floodwood Lake 82	MN	MNS	517	0	100	---	62	-7	11	2	0	1	286K	ST

MNS – Minnesota State Forestry

Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 21
 New large fires: 1
 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
* C-132e	LA	KIF	132	---	100	---	21	---	0	5	1	0	20K	FS

KIF – Kisatchie NF

Alaska Area (PL 1)

New fires: 6
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 0

* **Oklahoma 1**, Alaska Fire Service – Military Zone, BLM. Confine/contain management strategy. Fifteen miles west of Ft. Freely, AK. Grass. No further information received. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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
* Oklahoma 1	AK	MID	1,000	---	N/A	N/A	0	---	0	0	0	0	NR	BLM

Predictive Services Discussion: A large storm system over the West will continue to bring dry and windy conditions to eastern New Mexico and west Texas followed by much cooler temperatures. Minnesota will see improving relative humidity today and light precipitation. Dry and windy conditions will move across Wisconsin and Michigan. Low relative humidity will persist along much of the East Coast states.

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



**Today's discussion is from the
Motorized Operations Category.**

ATV Safety

The use of ATVs for wildland fire suppression and prescribed fire operations has increased dramatically over the last ten years. Note: Several agencies have required training for ATV operations (check your agency's requirements).

- Most injuries associated with ATVs occur when:
 - the driver loses control (When the operator encounters a change of terrain or swerves to avoid an obstacle, it causes an abrupt change of balance and loss of control.)
 - the vehicle rolls over
 - the driver or passenger is thrown off
 - the operator's loss of attention to what, where, and how an ATV is being operated
 - or there is a collision with a fixed object
- Identified contributing factors to ATV accidents include:
 - rider inexperience
 - excessive speed--excessive speed, combined with rough terrain, can create enough pitch and bounce to cause the operator to lose control of the vehicle
 - lack of helmet use
 - the ATV is improperly loaded or load weight exceeds vehicle operation capacity
 - the operator carries a passenger that affects the operators control and operation of the ATV
- Safety measures for ATV use include:
 - Conduct pre-ride inspection-- This inspection should include checking tires, throttle cable, front and rear brakes, lights and switches, oil and fuel, chain or drive shaft, air filter, clean out of weeds and other debris from around engine and other hot components, and the chassis for any defects or wear.
 - Single riders only--Injuries frequently occur to passengers, therefore riding double should not be permitted.
 - Always wear PPE- helmets, eye protection, and protective clothing. Appropriate helmets are those designed for motorcycle (not firefighting) use, and should include safety visors/face shields, goggles, or safety glasses for eye protection.
 - Use headlights to improve visibility by other vehicles
 - Maintain speeds acceptable for riding conditions, especially over uneven terrain
 - Traversing slopes should be avoided
 - Mounted or towed loads should not exceed manufacturer's recommendation and should be properly mounted so that weight transfer does not affect the center of gravity of the machine--mounting a tank (e.g., drip torch) on the rear of the vehicle increases the chances for a rear turnover.
 - Do not drive on public roads - Collisions with automobiles on public roads are the most common cause of fatal ATV accidents. It may be illegal to operate an ATV on public roads—check your state's laws.

References: [Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations](#)
[Safety and Occupational Health Manual Handbook, BLM-1112-1](#)

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Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,001		1,001
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					100		100
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					3		3
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					3	2	5
	ACRES					8	0	8
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					2	2	4
	ACRES					8	0	8
Eastern Area	FIRES	12				51	5	68
	ACRES	8				1,318	2	1,328
Southern Area	FIRES					17	4	21
	ACRES					68	141	209
TOTAL	FIRES	12	0	0	0	82	13	107
	ACRES	8	0	0	0	2,506	143	2,657

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		37		38
	ACRES			0		2,211		2,211
Northwest	FIRES	8	1			9	9	27
	ACRES	193	0			5	0	198
Northern California	FIRES					149	10	159
	ACRES					10	6	16
Southern California	FIRES		3			189	39	231
	ACRES		221			264	116	601
Northern Rockies	FIRES	135	2	0		62	27	226
	ACRES	1,932	5	760		574	96	3,367
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	5	11			52	6	74
	ACRES	14	4			383	21	422
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	1		7		15
	ACRES		0	15		28		43
Southwest	FIRES	80	42	1	19	107	91	340
	ACRES	432	763	3	58	19,943	2,626	23,825
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	71	11	3	3	56	11	155
	ACRES	1,176	153	2,932	0	10,580	12	14,853
Eastern Area	FIRES	571		10	8	4,825	359	5,773
	ACRES	2,686		3,564	2	50,498	4,942	61,692
Southern Area	FIRES	482		39	19	12,452	373	13,365
	ACRES	31,863		882	108	170,146	15,572	218,571
TOTAL	FIRES	1,352	77	55	49	17,945	925	20,403
	ACRES	38,296	1,146	8,156	168	254,642	23,391	325,799

Ten Year Average Fires	26,609
Ten Year Average Acres	759,390

*** 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					1		1
	ACRES					43		43
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES			0			1	1
	ACRES			4,066			74	4,140
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			5	1	7
	ACRES		64			108	50	222
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						2	2
Rocky Mountain	FIRES			1		2		3
	ACRES			938		12		950
Eastern Area	FIRES					13		13
	ACRES					630		630
Southern Area	FIRES					5	3	8
	ACRES					2,220	4,286	6,506
TOTAL	FIRES	0	1	1	0	26	5	33
	ACRES	0	64	5,004	0	3,013	4,412	12,493

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					7		7
	ACRES					3,600		3,600
Northwest	FIRES	5	30	4	1		45	85
	ACRES	2,292	5,222	1,610	11		2,941	12,076
Northern California	FIRES		19	9	12		168	208
	ACRES		346	12,845	23		3,554	16,768
Southern California	FIRES		2	6			213	221
	ACRES		732	263			1,460	2,455
Northern Rockies	FIRES	47	16	49	1	16	105	234
	ACRES	1,203	1,715	10,713	55	513	12,154	26,353
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		14	5	2	21	21	63
	ACRES		1,417	2,740	53	1,524	6,113	11,847
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2			5	10
	ACRES		68	1,395			118	1,581
Southwest	FIRES	3	13	4	5		65	90
	ACRES	10	12,621	18	840		18,436	31,925
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	32	50	79	13	39	144	357
	ACRES	1,683	4,452	13,125	2,373	5,709	19,789	47,131
Eastern Area	FIRES	36		85	24	932	119	1,196
	ACRES	61,699		17,355	5,511	65,480	55,064	205,109
Southern Area	FIRES	15		174	61	8,692	1,034	9,976
	ACRES	2,705		71,309	55,182	216,200	1,047,520	1,392,916
TOTAL	FIRES	138	147	417	119	9,707	1,919	12,447
	ACRES	69,592	26,573	131,373	64,048	293,026	1,167,149	1,751,761

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

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