

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, April 30, 2010 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (106 new fires)  
 New large fires: 1 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 2  
 Uncontained large fires : \*\* 0  
 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: 106  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 1

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	100	---	2	0	0	1	0	0	1K	PRI

DLR – Detroit Lakes NWR

**Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 53  
 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
* North Lyons Creek	MT	CES	104	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	5K	ST

CES – Central Land Office, DNR

**Predictive Services Discussion:** For today, a large storm system over the West will continue to bring dry and windy weather to southeast New Mexico and west Texas. In the East, showers are expected over the western Great Lakes with drier and windy conditions over the eastern Great Lakes. Showers are also forecast for the Mississippi Valley, Gulf Coast and Florida.

[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					2		2
	ACRES					13		13
Northwest	FIRES					5	1	6
	ACRES					10	0	10
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES		2				1	3
	ACRES		1				0	1
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2						2
	ACRES	1						1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			3	1	5
	ACRES		9			15	1	25
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	2		1		1	1	5
	ACRES	2		20		2	1	25
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES	9				41	3	53
	ACRES	6				2,606	3	2,615
Southern Area	FIRES					30		30
	ACRES					174		174
TOTAL	FIRES	13	3	1	0	82	7	106
	ACRES	9	10	20	0	2,820	5	2,864

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1		39		40
	ACRES			0		2,224		2,224
Northwest	FIRES	8	1			34	10	53
	ACRES	193	0			93	0	286
Northern California	FIRES					151	10	161
	ACRES					10	6	16
Southern California	FIRES		5			208	20	233
	ACRES		222			265	114	601
Northern Rockies	FIRES	164	2	0		62	27	255
	ACRES	2,000	5	760		578	96	3,439
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	5	12			55	7	79
	ACRES	14	14			408	22	458
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7	1		7		15
	ACRES		0	15		28		43
Southwest	FIRES	87	42	3	19	110	98	359
	ACRES	436	763	35	58	19,946	2,632	23,870
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	80	11	3	3	55	11	163
	ACRES	1,492	153	2,932	0	10,575	12	15,164
Eastern Area	FIRES	586		11	8	4,864	352	5,821
	ACRES	2,694		3,565	2	53,120	4,942	64,323
Southern Area	FIRES	482		39	19	12,533	373	13,446
	ACRES	31,863		882	108	170,378	15,572	218,803
TOTAL	FIRES	1,412	80	58	49	18,118	908	20,625
	ACRES	38,692	1,157	8,189	168	257,625	23,396	329,227

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>27,6899</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>780,557</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		0	2			10	12
	ACRES		25	97			1,025	1,147
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						3	3
Southern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						43	43
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						36	36
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						7	7
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						5	5
Eastern Area	FIRES					13	1	14
	ACRES					625	564	1,189
Southern Area	FIRES			1			3	4
	ACRES			245			2,582	2,827
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	3	0	13	23	39
	ACRES	0	25	342	0	625	4,265	5,257

### 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	32	6	1		58	102
	ACRES	2,292	5,387	1,707	11		4,107	13,504
Northern California	FIRES		19	9	12		169	209
	ACRES		346	12,845	23		3,557	16,771
Southern California	FIRES		2	6			211	219
	ACRES		732	263			1,503	2,498
Northern Rockies	FIRES	47	16	54	1	16	108	242
	ACRES	1,277	1,715	11,730	55	513	13,271	28,561
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		14	5	2	21	22	64
	ACRES		1,417	2,740	61	1,524	6,141	11,883
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	2			5	10
	ACRES		68	1,395			118	1,581
Southwest	FIRES	3	13	5	5		67	93
	ACRES	10	12,621	125	840		18,443	32,039
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	32	50	79	13	39	145	358
	ACRES	1,683	4,452	13,125	2,373	5,709	19,794	47,136
Eastern Area	FIRES	39		109	24	946	116	1,234
	ACRES	61,815		20,796	5,511	66,113	55,586	209,821
Southern Area	FIRES	15		174	61	8,692	1,037	9,979
	ACRES	2,705		71,309	55,182	216,200	1,050,102	1,395,498
TOTAL	FIRES	141	149	449	119	9,721	1,938	12,517
	ACRES	69,782	26,738	136,035	64,056	293,659	1,172,622	1,762,892

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

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