

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Friday, December 3, 2010 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)**

Initial attack activity: Light (196 new fires)  
 New large fires: 6 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 5  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 2  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 5 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

\*\* Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

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

**Southern Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 145  
 New large fires: 5  
 Uncontained large fires: 2

\* **Encinitos**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land twenty-five miles southwest of Falfurrias, TX. Brush and grass. Active fire behavior.

\* **Simpson**, Texas Forest Service. Started on Private land ten miles south of Cisco, TX. Brush. No further information 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
* Encinitos	TX	TXS	1,500	---	60	UNK	3	---	0	0	1	0	NR	PRI
* Simpson	TX	TXS	300	---	90	---	7	---	0	1	0	0	NR	PRI
* Burners Gap	VA	VAF	559	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	150K	FS
* Blackberry	OK	OKS	300	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	500	ST
Ear Bob	OK	OKS	300	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	5K	ST
* Terlton	OK	OKS	120	---	100	---	78	---	0	30	1	1	12.5K	ST

VAF – George Washington and Jefferson NF      OKS – Oklahoma DOF

**Southwest Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 0  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

**Ranger Complex** (2 fires), Coconino NF. Previously reported incident. Four miles east of Clints Wells, AZ. Logging slash and grass. Precipitation occurred over the fire area. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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Ranger Complex	AZ	COF	5,640	---	N/A	N/A	5	---	0	1	0	0	180K	FS

**Rocky Mountain Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 1  
 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
* Grant	KX	KSX	350	---	100	---	31	---	0	12	0	0	5K	CNTY

KSX – Kansas Counties

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Dry weather is expected over the Southwest and Southern Areas through the weekend except for some rain and snow over the Ohio River Valley and Appalachians on Sunday. Gusty winds are on tap today over the Colorado Rockies, eastern New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma. The winds on Saturday will be confined mainly to Texas and Oklahoma.

[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 Last Week

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					1		1
Northern California	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					0		0
Southern California	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					35	1	36
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2						2
	ACRES	0						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	11	1			3	4	19
	ACRES	23	0			2	59	84
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					350		350
Eastern Area	FIRES					14	6	20
	ACRES					304	14	318
Southern Area	FIRES			1		143	1	145
	ACRES			24		5,254	1	5,279
TOTAL	FIRES	13	1	1	0	168	13	196
	ACRES	23	0	24	0	5,946	75	6,068

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	76	69	53	473	16	688
	ACRES	103	295,196	145,406	113,280	575,426	10	1,129,421
Northwest	FIRES	176	229	18	29	542	1,173	2,167
	ACRES	34,794	19,861	6,675	5,146	33,514	27,921	127,911
Northern California	FIRES	77	126	1	13	2,200	530	2,947
	ACRES	58	12,224	0	8	19,662	2,897	34,849
Southern California	FIRES	20	311	6	65	2,701	588	3,691
	ACRES	226	14,448	42	11,874	26,395	32,389	85,374
Northern Rockies	FIRES	603	78	7	16	412	618	1,734
	ACRES	5,059	17,778	15,301	3,797	15,213	13,417	70,565
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	47	603	3	29	609	562	1,853
	ACRES	12,382	411,327	605	5,248	204,767	78,168	712,497
Western Great Basin	FIRES	4	288	9	16	86	79	482
	ACRES	0	19,318	35	10	3,168	1,323	23,854
Southwest	FIRES	577	252	14	72	514	1,058	2,487
	ACRES	7,770	19,480	40	24,864	176,281	83,396	311,831
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	849	474	8	44	599	474	2,448
	ACRES	5,529	13,282	2,827	11,076	100,384	10,676	143,774
Eastern Area	FIRES	694		49	29	12,746	764	14,282
	ACRES	2,868		6,177	43	102,550	8,050	119,688
Southern Area	FIRES	609		102	30	32,094	815	33,650
	ACRES	36,892		8,125	203	483,469	37,443	566,132
TOTAL	FIRES	3,657	2,437	286	396	52,976	6,677	66,429
	ACRES	105,681	822,914	185,233	175,549	1,740,829	295,690	3,325,896

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>76,332</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,935,437</b>

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

**Prescribed Fires and Acres Last Week**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		2				4	6
	ACRES		25				902	927
Northern California	FIRES		3		1		42	46
	ACRES		70		18		596	684
Southern California	FIRES						8	8
	ACRES						63	63
Northern Rockies	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						122	122
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						458	458
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						7	7
Southwest	FIRES	1			1		8	10
	ACRES	3,137			20		1,088	4,245
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	2	1			2	12	17
	ACRES	18	18			30	4,543	4,609
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					5	3	8
	ACRES					2,854	805	3,659
TOTAL	FIRES	3	6	0	2	7	80	98
	ACRES	3,155	113	0	38	2,884	8,584	14,774

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			3		12	3	18
	ACRES			59		14,931	446	15,436
Northwest	FIRES	35	203	26	2	1	566	833
	ACRES	15,957	32,756	2,867	77	205	70,725	122,587
Northern California	FIRES	2	19	37	49	29	582	718
	ACRES	24	903	22,708	1,769	4,042	24,724	54,170
Southern California	FIRES	1	10	21	10	21	167	230
	ACRES	172	1,531	5,704	595	2,549	5,633	16,184
Northern Rockies	FIRES	111	44	123	12	111	374	775
	ACRES	5,035	6,188	28,615	1,262	4,697	29,884	75,681
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	28	6	15	57	103	211
	ACRES	4,100	3,223	2,745	823	3,248	34,450	48,589
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2	4	1	10	25
	ACRES		1,302	1,395	846	210	666	4,419
Southwest	FIRES	49	21	12	10		210	302
	ACRES	16,943	23,166	8,870	2,414		92,724	144,117
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	54	80	130	22	73	220	579
	ACRES	8,114	18,702	27,908	8,477	15,676	35,247	114,124
Eastern Area	FIRES	76		471	58	1,495	228	2,328
	ACRES	63,775		64,573	6,625	101,309	73,559	309,841
Southern Area	FIRES	23		198	65	9,000	1,076	10,362
	ACRES	3,367		89,971	71,587	274,569	1,001,877	1,441,371
TOTAL	FIRES	353	413	1,029	247	10,800	3,539	16,381
	ACRES	117,487	87,771	255,415	94,475	421,436	1,369,935	2,346,519

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