

**National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, December 23, 2010 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1**

National Fire Activity (Weekly Total)

Initial attack activity: Light (434 new fires)
 New large fires: 10 (*)
 Large fires contained: 9
 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 4 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: 420
 New large fires: 9
 Uncontained large fires: 1

* **Burnt Island**, Florida DOF. Five miles north of Citra, FL. Southern rough. Moderate 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
* Burnt Island	FL	FLS	850	---	50	---	28	---	0	3	1	0	NR	ST
* Persimmon Ridge Rd.	OK	OKS	3,200	---	100	---	6	---	0	3	0	0	7.5K	ST
* Normandy	FL	FLS	2,258	0	100	---	0	-2	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Pine Island	FL	FLS	800	---	100	---	1	---	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* FM735	TX	TXS	450	---	100	---	0	---	0	0	0	0	4.5K	ST
* Keota Landing	OK	OKS	400	---	100	---	9	---	0	5	0	0	500	ST
* 3326	TX	TXS	350	---	100	---	35	---	0	12	1	0	25K	PRI
* Mystery Cave	AR	ARS	162	62	100	---	5	0	0	0	0	0	1K	ST
* Starkiller Hollow	OK	OKS	125	---	100	---	9	---	5	2	0	0	3.7K	ST

OKS – Oklahoma DOF TXS – Texas Forest Service ARS – Arkansas Forestry Commission

Southwest Area (PL 1)

New fires: 9
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
* Gallina	NM	SNF	167	---	100	---	3	---	0	0	0	0	30K	FS

SNF – Santa Fe NF

Predictive Services Discussion: Dry weather is on tap today across most of the Southern Area with gusty winds over New Mexico. On Friday, a cold front will bring showers to the Mississippi River Valley with the front moving across the rest of the Southeast over the weekend. Gusty winds and cooler conditions can be expected behind the front.

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



Today's discussion is from the
Fireline Safety Category.

COMMON DENOMINATORS OF FIRE BEHAVIOR ON TRAGEDY FIRES

Five common denominators that contribute to accidents/incidents have been identified through studies of tragedy fires. It is important for firefighters to readily recognize the following common denominators so that future tragedies can be prevented:

- Most incidents happen on smaller fires or on isolated portions of larger fires.
- Most fires are innocent in appearance before unexpected shifts in wind direction and/or speed results in flare-ups or extreme fire behavior. In some cases, tragedies occur in the mop-up stage.
- Flare-ups generally occur in deceptively light fuels, such as grass and light brush.
- Fires run uphill surprisingly fast in chimneys, saddles, gullies, and on steep slopes.
- Some suppression tools, such as helicopters or airtankers, can adversely affect fire behavior. The blasts of air from low-flying helicopters and airtankers have been known to cause flare-ups.

References:

[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#) pg 4
[Fireline Handbook](#)
[Common Denominators PowerPoint](#)

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES		1			2	6	9
	ACRES		0			0	189	189
Rocky Mountain	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					15		15
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	1		9		404	6	420
	ACRES	20		312		6,675	68	7,075
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	9	0	409	14	434
	ACRES	20	0	312	0	6,690	257	7,279

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	74	69	53	476	16	689
	ACRES	103	290,511	145,709	113,280	576,127	10	1,125,740
Northwest	FIRES	176	230	19	31	536	1,192	2,184
	ACRES	34,794	19,719	6,933	5,148	42,071	41,884	150,549
Northern California	FIRES	80	126		13	2,200	532	2,951
	ACRES	58	12,224		8	19,662	2,897	34,849
Southern California	FIRES	20	311	6	65	2,710	589	3,701
	ACRES	226	14,448	42	11,874	26,395	32,569	85,554
Northern Rockies	FIRES	606	78	9	16	411	620	1,740
	ACRES	5,093	17,778	15,302	3,797	15,102	13,402	70,474
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	46	605	3	28	608	555	1,845
	ACRES	12,382	411,328	605	5,249	204,789	77,665	712,018
Western Great Basin	FIRES	4	289	9	16	88	78	484
	ACRES	0	19,331	35	10	3,169	1,322	23,867
Southwest	FIRES	584	256	14	72	535	1,067	2,528
	ACRES	7,772	19,481	40	24,864	177,087	85,252	314,496
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	879	494	9	45	969	492	2,888
	ACRES	5,472	13,039	2,911	10,096	107,421	12,413	151,352
Eastern Area	FIRES	697		50	30	12,873	756	14,406
	ACRES	2,867		6,177	43	103,770	9,938	122,795
Southern Area	FIRES	718		132	21	33,459	852	35,182
	ACRES	38,209		9,032	208	502,310	38,421	588,180
TOTAL	FIRES	3,811	2,463	320	390	54,865	6,749	68,598
	ACRES	106,976	817,859	186,786	174,577	1,777,903	315,773	3,379,874

Ten Year Average Fires	78,072
Ten Year Average Acres	7,282,333

*** 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	9	2				2	13
	ACRES	1,923	22				26	1,971
Northern California	FIRES		2				5	7
	ACRES		0				9	9
Southern California	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						102	102
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					3		3
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1,389	1,389
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						2,080	2,080
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			5		9	1	15
	ACRES			2,538		12,852	85	15,475
TOTAL	FIRES	9	4	5	0	10	12	40
	ACRES	1,923	22	2,538	0	12,855	3,691	21,029

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			3			3	6
	ACRES			59			446	505
Northwest	FIRES	57	206	28	2	1	663	957
	ACRES	19,912	32,987	3,159	77	205	78,727	135,067
Northern California	FIRES	2	22	10	51	29	614	728
	ACRES	24	915	22,716	1,774	4,042	25,633	55,104
Southern California	FIRES	1	10	21	10	21	179	242
	ACRES	172	1,531	5,704	595	2,549	6,340	16,891
Northern Rockies	FIRES	112	45	123	12	123	392	807
	ACRES	5,105	5,986	28,665	1,262	6,639	36,232	83,889
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	28	6	15	59	109	219
	ACRES	4,100	4,896	2,745	830	3,341	35,380	51,292
Western Great Basin	FIRES		9	2	4	1	10	26
	ACRES		1,310	1,395	846	210	677	4,438
Southwest	FIRES	49	21	12	10		224	316
	ACRES	16,943	23,301	8,870	2,414		96,936	148,464
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	76	89	131	21	97	263	677
	ACRES	10,747	20,107	27,914	8,475	17,889	42,279	127,411
Eastern Area	FIRES	76		471	58	1,510	228	2,343
	ACRES	63,775		64,573	6,625	101,470	73,559	310,002
Southern Area	FIRES	24		213	67	9,045	1,087	10,436
	ACRES	3,387		91,832	71,591	306,213	1,011,905	1,484,928
TOTAL	FIRES	399	430	1,020	250	10,886	3,772	16,757
	ACRES	124,165	91,033	257,632	94,489	442,558	1,408,114	2,417,991

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