

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Monday, May 20, 2013 – 0530 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity (May 17-19)**

Initial attack activity: Light (245) new fires)  
 New large fires: 5 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 4  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 6  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

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

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

**Southern California Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 47  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 1  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 1

**Grand**, Los Padres NF. Cal Fire IMT 1 (Kaslin). Two miles east of Frazier Park, CA. Chaparral. Minimal 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
Grand	CA	LPF	4,346	546	85	5/22	1,271	-181	33	39	2	0	6.2M	FS
* Lake	CA	LAC	712	---	100	---	57	-166	1	7	0	0	450K	CNTY

LAC – Los Angeles County

**Southwest Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 28  
 New large fires: 3  
 Uncontained large fires: 2

\* **Soldier Basin**, Coronado NF. Five miles east of Nogales, AZ. Timber and grass. Moderate fire activity.

\* **Island Lake**, Imperial NWR. Twenty-two miles north of Yuma, AZ. Brush. Running. Structures threatened. Area closures in effect.

\* **Blackrock**, San Carlos Agency, BIA. Twenty-four miles southeast of San Carlos, AZ. Grass. Minimal fire activity. 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
* Soldier Basin	AZ	CNF	2,000	---	5	5/28	197	---	5	11	3	0	410K	FS
* Island Lake	AZ	IMR	300	---	0	UNK	31	---	1	1	0	0	10K	FWS
* Blackrock	AZ	SCA	1,250	---	N/A	N/A	2	---	0	1	0	0	9K	BIA

### Eastern Area (PL 2)

New fires: 71  
New large fires: 0  
Uncontained large fires: 2

**Buffalo Ranch**, Red Lake Agency, BIA. Forty-five miles northwest of Red Lake, MN. Grass. No new information. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

**River Road**, Red Lake Agency, BIA. Thirty-five miles west of Red Lake, MN. Grass. No new information. 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
Buffalo Ranch	MN	RLA	4,923	0	95	---	12	-6	0	1	1	0	235K	BIA
River Road	MN	RLA	1,664	0	95	---	8	-5	0	3	0	0	195K	BIA
Green Valley	MN	MNS	7,100	0	100	---	28	-98	0	2	0	58	1.1M	ST

MNS – Minnesota DNR

### Northern Rockies Area (PL 1)

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

**Sweats Complex**, Helena NF. Twenty miles northeast of Helena, MT. Timber. Smoldering. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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
Sweats Complex	FS	HNF	457	0	95	5/20	28	-15	1	2	0	0	700K	FS

### Southern Area (PL 1)

New fires: 32  
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
Holey Land 1	FL	FLS	9,200	0	100	---	1	0	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

FLS – Florida Forest Service

### **Eastern Great Basin Area (PL 1)**

New fires: 2

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
* Kuna Butte	ID	BOD	365	---	100	---	27	---	0	10	0	0	10K	BLM

BOD – Boise District, BLM

### **Other Fires**

(As of May 17)

GACC	Fires	Cumulative Acres	Crews	Engines	Helicopters	Total Personnel
AK	0	0	0	0	0	0
NW	0	0	0	0	0	0
NO	0	0	0	0	0	0
SO	0	0	0	0	0	0
NR	0	0	0	0	0	0
EB	0	0	0	0	0	0
WB	0	0	0	0	0	0
SW	0	0	0	0	0	0
RM	1	3,498	0	0	0	2
EA	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	3,498	0	0	0	2

**Predictive Services Discussion:** A slow moving upper low will drift across the central U.S. while a trough approaches the Pacific Northwest. Scattered showers and thunderstorms will develop over the northern Plains and Great Lakes region and spread through the Mississippi Valley and the East Coast. Scattered showers will move into the Northwest coast. Gusty wind and low humidity will develop across parts of the Southwest. Very warm conditions will affect the East and the southern third of the nation while cool weather continues across the northern Plains and the Interior West.

<http://www.predictiveservices.nifc.gov/outlooks/outlooks.htm>



# NFDRS PocketCards

## *Weather/Fire Behavior Category*

The NFDRS PocketCard is a tool for field personnel to locally track outputs of the National Fire Danger Rating System (NFDRS) throughout the fire season. It is based on current and historical weather for a localized area and the area's historic fire occurrence. The PocketCard displays a general assessment of the fire potential and identifies combinations of local weather and fuel conditions that might contribute to severe fire behavior.

### **The PocketCard provides:**

- A general indicator of the potential fire danger for a given rating or protection area.
- A graph showing the trend and status of the current year's fire season.
- A comparison of current year conditions to historical worst and average conditions.
- Fire danger values related to past large or problem fires.
- Critical local thresholds for temperature, humidity, wind speed, and fuel moistures associated with large or problem fires.

### **Discuss the following ways to use the PocketCard:**

- Use it primarily before fires occur, before arriving to a fire. It is also useful during initial fire size-up, initial attack, and extended attack.
- Use it to learn of critical thresholds that predict the potential for extreme fire behavior for the local area. Be aware that local critical thresholds may be occurring earlier in the season.
- Use it to compare current and predicted local fire danger to historical local fire danger to enhance situational awareness.
- Use it to track daily fire danger indices that gauge the potential for weather and fuels to support extreme fire behavior and of the difficulty of control.
- Use it to supplement local experience.
- Use it as a point of reference for firefighters not familiar with the area represented by the card.
- When you receive a fire assignment outside your local area, visit the National PocketCard website at <http://fam.nwcg.gov/fam-web/pocketcards/default.htm> where PocketCards are filed by Geographic Area.
- Put it in the pocket of all your firefighters and keep one in your fire vehicle.
- Post it in dispatch. Use them in briefings. Provide them to incoming crews.
- **Do not use the PocketCard for site specific fire behavior predictions and fireline actions or without an interpretive briefing.**
- Review definitions and implications of ERC and BI values.

References: NFDRS Pocket Cards, NWCG, <http://fam.nwcg.gov/fam-web/pocketcards/default.htm>

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**Fires and Acres May 17 - 19**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					0		0
Northwest	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					0		0
Northern California	FIRES					39	2	41
	ACRES					24	1	25
Southern California	FIRES					45	2	47
	ACRES					122	0	122
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	0						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1				1	2
	ACRES		365				0	365
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3					3
	ACRES		1					1
Southwest	FIRES	1	4	1		10	12	28
	ACRES	937	3	300		4	2,029	3,273
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		6		1	5	5	17
	ACRES		0		0	2	3	5
Eastern Area	FIRES	19				49	3	71
	ACRES	13				87	11	111
Southern Area	FIRES				1	25	6	32
	ACRES				0	856	23	879
TOTAL	FIRES	21	14	1	2	176	31	245
	ACRES	950	369	300	0	1,095	2,067	4,781

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					23	1	24
	ACRES					152	0	152
Northwest	FIRES	21	19	6	1	105	64	216
	ACRES	132	141	153	0	491	106	1,023
Northern California	FIRES	1	1		4	691	81	778
	ACRES	1	61		1	8,572	3,979	12,614
Southern California	FIRES	2	34	7	2	1,024	128	1,197
	ACRES	1	150	5	6	12,091	211	12,464
Northern Rockies	FIRES	180	12	1		93	60	346
	ACRES	3,334	198	263		1,298	12,553	17,646
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	13	55		2	79	25	174
	ACRES	111	1,899		0	687	86	2,783
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	29	2	2	10	4	48
	ACRES	1	560	0	0	5	0	566
Southwest	FIRES	217	54	21	17	209	224	742
	ACRES	2,303	914	413	199	3,771	1,831	9,431
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	209	31	8	6	186	40	480
	ACRES	529	1,347	470	63	4,541	110	7,060
Eastern Area	FIRES	268		7	20	3,712	190	4,197
	ACRES	7,116		224	80	33,464	1,055	41,939
Southern Area	FIRES	113		34	13	7,634	264	8,058
	ACRES	10,724		3,613	1,435	83,189	10,788	109,749
TOTAL	FIRES	1,025	235	86	67	13,766	1,081	16,260
	ACRES	24,252	5,270	5,141	1,784	148,261	30,719	215,427

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>27,346</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>1,075,382</b>

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

**Prescribed Fires and Acres May 17 - 19**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES				1		28	29
	ACRES				17		3,284	3,301
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						5	5
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			100				100
Southern Area	FIRES					46	3	49
	ACRES					1,859	3,504	5,363
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	1	1	46	34	82
	ACRES	0	0	100	17	1,859	6,794	8,770

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1	1	7		9
	ACRES			5	12	883		900
Northwest	FIRES	5	36	7	3		118	169
	ACRES	672	8,878	444	67		28,150	38,211
Northern California	FIRES	2	12	11	19		112	156
	ACRES	35	736	14,824	250		5,369	21,214
Southern California	FIRES		3	4	2	1	138	148
	ACRES		36	53	123	120	4,765	5,097
Northern Rockies	FIRES	11	11	13		24	131	190
	ACRES	1,583	2,742	4,668		908	9,638	19,539
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	20	2	4	18	39	87
	ACRES	340	1,375	2	34	552	9,982	12,285
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	1		6	7	18
	ACRES		239	35		59	300	633
Southwest	FIRES	20	18	5	1		59	103
	ACRES	19,479	10,642	1,372	10		15,930	47,433
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	12	40	28	10	33	95	218
	ACRES	1,691	3,167	3,144	616	5,085	24,970	38,673
Eastern Area	FIRES	13		107	38	606	137	901
	ACRES	21,098		9,366	4,687	28,067	29,974	93,192
Southern Area	FIRES	43		79	18	9,094	740	9,974
	ACRES	13,721		44,128	21,672	512,019	838,384	1,429,924
TOTAL	FIRES	110	144	258	96	9,789	1,576	11,973
	ACRES	58,619	27,815	78,041	27,471	547,693	967,462	1,707,101

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

This report contains information derived from the National Fire and Aviation Management Web Applications (FAMWEB) system and other sources to provide relative information about emerging and ongoing incident activity. This information is considered operational in nature, is subject to correction, and therefore may not match official year to date agency records.

**\*\* National Interagency Coordination Center \*\***