

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2002 0530 MDT  
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light across the nation. Nationally, 63 new fires were reported. One new large fire was reported in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California, Oklahoma and Oregon.

**SOUTHERN AREA LARGE FIRES:**

DOG HOUSE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire, burning in logging slash and ice damaged timber, is five miles north of Buffalo Valley, OK. Rain showers in the fire area hampered burnout operations.

<b>INCIDENT NAME</b>	<b>ST</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>SIZE</b>	<b>% CTN</b>	<b>EST CTN</b>	<b>TOTL PERS</b>	<b>CRW</b>	<b>ENG</b>	<b>HELI</b>	<b>STRC LOST</b>	<b>\$\$\$ CTD</b>
DOG HOUSE	OK	OKS	110	20	10/7	12	0	7	0	0	NR

**OUTLOOK:**

The Southern Area should see showers and thunderstorms from Texas to the Eastern Seaboard today, with most storms forming across central Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi. Temperatures will be in the 70's to low 80's in most areas. Florida will be warmer, with high temperatures near 90 degrees in many places.



[www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/index\\_j.asp](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/index_j.asp)

## LOOKOUTS

Lookouts are often better situated to notice the cumulative changes of fire behavior.

- Fire Order #8 says, "Establish lookouts in potentially hazardous situations." Should you utilize lookouts at all times?
  - Lookouts should be posted at all times.
  
- What are you looking for when you are selecting a lookout location?
  - Choose a good vantage point, preferably with a good overview of the entire area where firefighters are located, including escape routes and safety zones.
  - Utilize aircraft, but have an alternative on the ground.
  
- What are the desired qualities, capabilities, knowledge, and responsibilities of a lookout person?
  - Experienced firefighter.
  - Solid knowledge of fire behavior and ability to recognize and monitor other environmental hazards.
  - Good communicator--keeps the crew advised of fire behavior changes, tracks weather trends and relays the information, informs crew of work progress and updates from the latest strategy and tactical briefings.
  - Monitors and accounts for all individuals within his/her assigned area at all times, and will notify others if breaks are needed.
  
- What is the necessary equipment for a lookout?
  - PPE, radio with extra batteries, compass, binoculars, belt weather kit, IAP, map, food, and water.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	0	0
Northern California	FIRES	2			1	8		11
	ACRES	1			0	0		1
Southern California	FIRES		1			19	6	26
	ACRES		1			19	1	21
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					0		0
	ACRES					100		100
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					23		23
	ACRES					71		71
TOTAL	FIRES	2	2	0	1	51	7	63
	ACRES	1	1	0	0	190	1	193

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	32	31	10	456	17	547
	ACRES	4	579,341	358,261	133,998	1,195,760	16	2,267,380
Northwest	FIRES	262	330	36	49	1,577	1,298	3,552
	ACRES	18,364	148,632	2,799	39	112,707	820,287	1,102,828
Northern California	FIRES	221	23	7	17	2,367	663	3,298
	ACRES	682	6,884	820	3,666	17,548	38,504	68,104
Southern California	FIRES	76	92	18	35	2,778	711	3,710
	ACRES	10,257	25,828	86	747	70,493	317,816	425,227
Northern Rockies	FIRES	946	51	32	46	574	920	2,569
	ACRES	13,907	10,537	2,178	9,153	31,302	84,008	151,085
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	69	593	8	44	521	980	2,215
	ACRES	5,326	121,186	408	34	69,948	148,633	345,535
Western Great Basin	FIRES	10	447	2	12	91	151	713
	ACRES	316	40,634	80	6	884	42,302	84,222
Southwest	FIRES	1,175	288	31	70	1,249	1,742	4,555
	ACRES	263,691	20,622	6,870	17,865	215,564	449,069	973,681
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	512	593	51	66	1,177	759	3,158
	ACRES	54,812	68,347	685	9,115	196,594	317,478	647,031
Eastern Area	FIRES	762		49	35	11,480	413	12,739
	ACRES	31,956		1,875	609	65,687	3,357	103,484
Southern Area	FIRES	107		190	45	29,738	826	30,906
	ACRES	17,425		147,132	6,665	291,720	26,177	489,119
TOTAL	FIRES	4,141	2,449	455	429	52,008	8,480	67,962
	ACRES	416,740	1,022,011	521,194	181,897	2,268,207	2,247,647	6,657,696

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Due to the decrease in fire occurrence after September 30, daily ten-year average fire data will be discontinued until June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003.

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						5	5
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				40			40
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	4						4
	ACRES	1,100						1,100
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	4	0	0	0	0	1	5
	ACRES	1,100	0	0	40	0	5	1,145

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			1,085				1,085
Northwest	FIRES	22	109	35	10	6	269	451
	ACRES	6,145	25,623	3,153	254	292	41,048	76,515
Northern California	FIRES	7	14	12	11		93	137
	ACRES	163	1,269	22,674	231		14,821	39,158
Southern California	FIRES	1	2	6	12		97	118
	ACRES	70	24	286	960		17,226	18,566
Northern Rockies	FIRES	9	12	125	3	54	455	658
	ACRES	725	1,800	18,002	173	4,777	25,990	51,467
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	29	2	14	10	49	105
	ACRES	7	11,407	445	4,242	429	32,862	49,392
Western Great Basin	FIRES				1		5	6
	ACRES				2		172	174
Southwest	FIRES	38	14	10			181	243
	ACRES	7,045	17,260	4,722			18,742	47,769
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	8	18	123	8	22	34	213
	ACRES	516	3,714	17,736	2,290	2,180	11,374	37,810
Eastern Area	FIRES	21		336	8	496	156	1,017
	ACRES	8,709		56,620	437	62,120	21,259	149,145
Southern Area	FIRES	60		241	88	19,714	905	21,008
	ACRES	11,061		112,357	99,004	881,327	726,066	1,829,815
TOTAL	FIRES	167	198	891	155	20,302	2,244	23,957
	ACRES	34,441	61,097	237,080	107,593	951,125	909,560	2,300,896

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						6	6
	ACRES						12	12
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES				16		6	22
	ACRES				1,385		1	1,386
Northern Rockies	FIRES				14		42	56
	ACRES				3,634		4,669	8,303
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		14	15
	ACRES				0		4,964	4,964
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8				1	9
	ACRES		851				1	852
Southwest	FIRES				1		8	9
	ACRES				380		4,485	4,865
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		13			1	3	17
	ACRES		736			0	22,594	23,330
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				8			8
	ACRES				406			406
TOTAL	FIRES	0	21	0	40	1	80	142
	ACRES	0	1,587	0	5,805	0	36,726	44,118

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RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest	1	6	9	18		9			179	180
Northern California			1							
Southern California	7	2	13	15	7	1				3
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin										
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area			2	5						
Total	8	8	25	38	7	10	0	0	179	183

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