# THURSDAY, MAY 26, 2005 – 0530 MDT NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 1

#### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 42 new fires reported. Two new large fires were reported, one each in the Southwest Area and one in the Southern Area. One large fire was contained in the Southwest Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas.

#### **SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

VALLE, Santa Fe National Forest. This fire is eight miles west of Los Alamos, NM in mixed conifer. Multiple snags, steep terrain and rolling material are hampering suppression efforts.

MESA CAMINO, Santa Fe National Forest. This fire is six miles southwest of Coyote, NM in ponderosa pine. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Lineback) is assigned. Single tree torching and creeping ground fire were reported.

SHINER, Arizona State. This fire is ten miles west of Kingman, AZ in desert scrub and grass. Active fire behavior and minimal spotting were reported.

SKUNK, Arizona State. This fire is 20 miles southwest of Globe, AZ in chaparral. No new information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
VALLE	NM	SNF	140	5	5/30	160	6	6	1	0	100K
MESA CAMINO	NM	SNF	832	70	5/27	229	8	13	1	0	350K
SHINER	ΑZ	A2S	2,000	90	5/26	75	2	8	0	0	20K
SKUNK	ΑZ	AZS	1,985	95	5/29	57	1	2	0	0	705K
BRENDA	AZ	YUD	450	100		36	0	8	0	0	NR

YUD = Yuma Field Office

#### **SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:**

BUFFALO TRAIL SCOUT CAMP, Texas Forest Service. This fire is ten miles north of Alpine, TX in pinyon pine, cedar, and juniper. Rough terrain is hampering containment efforts.

MITRE PEAK-KING MTN., Texas Forest Service. This fire is ten miles northwest of Alpine, TX in brush, oak and grass. Significant interior burning, but no perimeter increase was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BUFFALO TRAIL SCOUT CAMP	TX	TXS	1,625	0	5/29	19	1	0	2	0	NR
MITRE PEAK-KING MTN.	TX	TXS	3,200	85	5/26	78	2	7	0	0	NR

#### **OUTLOOK:**

**Weather Discussion:** Very warm high pressure will continue to dominate weather over much of the West today. The best chance for thunderstorms will be across the eastern two-thirds of New Mexico and southeast Colorado, where a backdoor front has entered the region. In Florida, the panhandle will see very low relative humidity today.

Geographic Area Weather	<b>.</b>		Wind		
Southwest					
Mostly sunny and warm most of AZ. Partly to mostly cloudy and cooler NM and west TX with scattered thunderstorms, some dry across western NM.	50s to 80s mountains, eastern NM and west TX. 80s to near 105 lower elevations AZ & NM.	5 to 20% AZ and western NM, 20 to 40% central NM, 40 to 60%+ eastern NM & west TX.	W to SW 5 to 15 mph with gusts to 20 to 25 mph AZ and western NM, S to E 10 to 25 mph eastern NM and west TX.		



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#### **HELICOPTER LANDING AREA SAFETY**

The following points should be considered when operating around an unimproved landing site:

- Always wear your personal protective equipment (PPE) when working around an operating helicopter.
- Always get the approval of a flight crewmember or the pilot before approaching a starting or operating helicopter.
- Only approach and depart a helicopter as directed, in a slightly crouched position, and in full view of a crewmember.
- When approaching or departing an operating helicopter, never approach or depart uphill and do not hold equipment overhead.
- Always approach and depart an operating helicopter on the downhill side.
- Remove or secure loose articles when working around an operating helicopter.
- Be aware of the dust abatement conditions of the landing area, as blowing dust, sand, or rocks caused by the helicopter's rotor wash can be hazardous.

## FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES	0				3		3
Alaska	ACRES	1	,		-	23		24
	FIRES	1	1			2		3
Northwest	ACRES				-	1		2
	FIRES	<u> </u>				<u>'</u>		0
Northern California	ACRES				-			0
	FIRES						1	1
Southern California	ACRES				-		0	0
N. 41 D. 11	FIRES					1		1
Northern Rockies	ACRES		,			2		2
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1						1
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES	20						20
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1	1			8	2	12
Southwest	ACRES	0	600			8	0	608
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1					1
Nocky Modritain	ACRES		1					1
Eastern Area	FIRES						1	1
Lastem Area	ACRES						1	1
Southern Area	FIRES			1	1	18		19
Outiletti Aled	ACRES			7	7	4,470		4,477
TOTAL	FIRES	3	2	. 1	1 0	32	4	42
TOTAL	ACRES	22	601	7	7 0	4,504	1	5,135

# FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	1	1		124	10	138
Alaska	ACRES	3	2	0		7,948	320	8,273
Northwest	FIRES	28	13	5	1	74	34	155
TTOTH WOOL	ACRES	126	11	8	2	154	33	334
Northern California	FIRES					134	29	163
	ACRES					36	25	61
Southern California	FIRES	1	7	2	1	308	59	378
	ACRES	2	11	0	1	1,636	21	1,671
Northern Rockies	FIRES	246	3	16		89	19	373
	ACRES	4,559	136	500		1,258	1,291	7,744
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	12		1	12	4	31
	ACRES	810	5		1	130	0	946
Western Great Basin	FIRES		17	2	4	3	4 0 1	27
	ACRES		195	70	6	0	0	271
Southwest	FIRES	383	142	5	7	248	21 19 1,291 2 4 0 0 6 1 17,557 23 1,614 374 7,451	916
	ACRES	6,729	4,953	9,001	10	29,520	17,557	67,770
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	37	10	13	2	89	23	174
	ACRES	2,427	12	148	3	14,852	1,614	19,056
Eastern Area	FIRES	496		28	31	6,601	374	7,530
	ACRES	7,052		1,518	940	53,849	7,451	70,810
Southern Area	FIRES	156		69	9	11,988	387	12,609
	ACRES	25,676		5,543	149	134,291	10,382	176,041
TOTAL	FIRES	1,351	205	141	56	19,670	1,071	22,494
	ACRES	47,384	5,325	16,788	1,112	243,674	38,694	352,977

Ten Year Average Fires	33,383
Ten Year Average Acres	684,188

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> 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
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES						4	4
Northwest	ACRES	_					175	175
	FIRES		1				5	1
Northern California	ACRES		150				1,722	1,872
	FIRES		130		0		0	
Southern California	ACRES				50		11	61
	FIRES		<u> </u> 	1	50		<u> </u>	1
Northern Rockies								
	ACRES			122				122
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						0	0
Edotom Great Basin	ACRES						1	1
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
western Great Basin	ACRES						2,500	2,500
Courthousest	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES				2	1	0	3
NOCKY WOUTHAIT	ACRES				3	25	411	439
Factoria Area	FIRES				1		1	2
Eastern Area	ACRES				50		60	110
O. H A	FIRES			2			4	6
Southern Area	ACRES			708			830	1,538
	FIRES	0	1	3		1	15	· ·
TOTAL	ACRES	0	150	830	103	25	5,710	6,818

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
ridona	ACRES					626		626
Northwest	FIRES	18	77	33	2		151	281
. Torum oot	ACRES	5,651	9,497	2,054	249		9,204	26,655
Northern California	FIRES	12	16	120	21		107	276
	ACRES	188	677	19,917	1,217		9,070	31,069
Southern California	FIRES	1	4	4	4		52	65
	ACRES	1,000	473	8	1,438		2,027	4,946
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	28	69	1	27	198	326
	ACRES	135	3,244	16,351	1	1,827	21,062	42,620
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	13	4	1	11	19	49
	ACRES	1	4,306	711	11	228	4,317	9,574
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	10			1	15
	ACRES		94	2,711			2,500	5,305
Southwest	FIRES	4	26	2	7		207	246
	ACRES	831	23,498	3,210	12,175		55,433	95,147
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	29	37	92	14	16	268	456
	ACRES	3,709	9,722	17,155	10,312	2,501	27,573	70,972
Eastern Area	FIRES	29		400	34	1,011	127	1,601
	ACRES	17,410		63,700	4,422	66,017	25,042	176,591
Southern Area	FIRES	34		141	35	341	1,005	1,556
	ACRES	7,180		77,946	16,044	219,507	831,846	1,152,523
TOTAL	FIRES	131	205	875	119	1,410	2,135	4,875
	ACRES	36,105	51,511	203,763	45,869	290,706	988,074	1,616,028

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# WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES						-	0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	_		-	_			
	FIRES							0
Northern California		_		_	_	_		
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
Oddiletti Odillottila	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
western Great Basin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
Footowa Avoc	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Southern Area	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	C		0	0	0 0	0	1
TOTAL	ACRES			0	0	O	0	0

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## **CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	2	1	195	671
Yukon Territory	0	0	10	26
Alberta	32	1	519	11,854
Northwest Territory	0	0	2	301
Saskatchewan	0	0	81	3,954
Manitoba	1	0	60	1,053
Ontario	7	13	178	513
Quebec	1	0	204	216
Newfoundland	0	0	35	94
New Brunswick	0	0	173	235
Nova Scotia	0	0	143	442
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	0	15	42
Total	44	15	1,615	19,400

## 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	1	2				2				
Northwest			7		1				8	
Northern California										
Southern California		1								
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin			8							
Western Great Basin										
Southwest	14	4	21	16	2				47	34
Rocky Mountain			1							
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	1	2		7		2				37
Total	16	9	37	23	3	4	0	0	55	71

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