FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2006 – 0530 MST NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 197 new fires reported. Seven new large fires were reported and ten were contained in the Southern Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in California, Texas, Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota.

SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Unified Command between two Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Quesinberry and Custer) and a Type 2 Incident Commander (Hannemann), representing the state of Texas, is in place in Granbury, TX. A Florida State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hill) is staged in Granbury, TX. The Unified Command will assist local resources in managing existing fires and initial attack within the established 220,000 square mile response area. Eight new fires were suppressed yesterday. Figures in the table represent cumulative fire activity to date for the response area. Reduction in acres is due to several fires now being reported separately.

CASHION COMPLEX, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles northeast of Cashion, OK in timber and grass. Running and torching were observed. No further information was received.

EAST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Rose) is assigned to assist local dispatch zones in managing existing fires and initial attack in east Texas. Evacuations occurred on the Mill Creek fire northwest of Nacogdoches, TX. Other fires within the management zone include Linden, Henderson, Conroe and Woodville. Figures in the table represent cumulative fire activity to date for this response area.

ARBUCKLE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is 12 miles west of Davis, OK in brush and grass. Flare-ups were observed. Rough terrain with limited access is a concern.

WELTY, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is five miles northeast of Bristow, OK in grass and timber. No further information was received.

STROUD, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is four miles north of Stroud, OK in timber and grass. No new information was reported.

OKEMAH LAKE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is four miles north of Okemah, OK in grass and hardwood litter. The fire is in patrol status. No further information was received.

DUCK HEAD, Buffalo National River, National Park Service. This fire is near Cozahome, AR in hardwood litter. No new information was reported.

HICKS, Talihina Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is 5 miles east of Centrahoma, OK in grass and hardwood litter. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

SLICK, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is 5 miles southwest of Slick, Oklahoma in hardwood litter and grass. The fire is in patrol status. No further information was received.

GUTHRIE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles northeast of Guthrie, OK in timber and grass. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

SAPULPA-KELLYVILLE, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is seven miles east of Sapulpa, OK in grass and timber. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

CATTAILS, San Bernard National Wildlife Refuge, Fish and Wildlife Service. This fire is near Brazoria, TX. No further information was received.

BETHEL, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire is five miles west of Shawnee, OK in grass. The fire is in patrol status.

CARTERS CORNER, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire started on private land five miles west of Eufala, OK in hardwood litter and timber. A watershed is threatened. Short runs and torching in cedar were reported.

EAGLE BLUFF, Oklahoma Division of Forestry. This fire started on private land one mile south of Eufala, OK in hardwood litter. Pasture grasses, wildlife habitat and a watershed remain threatened. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	44,850	NR	UNK	536	3	41	18	8	3.5M	N/A
CASHION COMPLEX	OK	OKS	31,360	20	UNK	35	0	12	0	10	NR	ST
EAST TEXAS IA	TX	TXS	9,665	NR	UNK	344	0	7	4	13	1M	ST
ARBUCKLE	OK	OKS	7,000	90	1/8	17	0	5	0	0	NR	ST
WELTY	OK	OKS	3,840	95	1/7	2	0	1	0	1	NR	ST
STROUD	OK	OKS	2,660	70	UNK	28	0	7	0	0	NR	ST
OKEMAH LAKE	OK	OKS	1,730	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	1	NR	ST
DUCK HEAD	AR	BUP	1,570	80	1/6	23	1	1	0	0	NR	NPS
HICKS	OK	TLA	1,200	90	UNK	120	1	32	0	2	50K	BIA
SLICK	OK	OKS	1,200	95	UNK	2	0	1	0	0	NR	ST
GUTHRIE	OK	OKS	1,000	30	UNK	45	0	20	0	0	NR	ST
SAPULPA- KELLYVILLE	ОК	OKS	800	25	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
CATTAILS	TX	TMR	500	0	UNK	16	0	4	0	0	NR	FWS
BETHEL	OK	OKS	400	30	UNK	18	0	8	0	0	NR	ST
CARTERS CORNER	OK	OKS	150	80	1/7	82	1	23	0	0	NR	PRI
EAGLE BLUFF	ОК	OKS	120	85	UNK	32	0	13	0	2	NR	PRI
ROCKER B	TX	TXS	42,100	100		0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
RINGGOLD	TX	TXS	42,100	100		0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
COLE	TX	TXS	39,800	100		0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
CARBON	TX	TXS	35,300	100		0	0	0	0	35	NR	ST
HARDWICK	TX	TXS	23,000	100		0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
HUCKABAY	TX	TXS	7,000	100		0	0	0	0	23	NR	ST
SHERWOOD FOREST	ОК	WEA	4,100	100		20	1	0	0	3	50K	BIA
AIRPORT	TX	TXS	1,800	100		0	0	0	0	29	NR	ST
SANTA ANNA	TX	TXS	1,408	100		0	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
WILLIS	ОК	СНА	460	100		0	0	0	0	0	20K	BIA

WEA – Wewoka Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

CHA - Chickasaw Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

05/06 FLOOD, Nevada Division of Forestry - Western Region. A State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dondero) is assigned. The team is assisting with flood control and recovery efforts in Washoe, Carson City, Douglas, Lyon and Storey Counties. Water continues to recede in all areas, and clean up operations continue.

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05/06 FLOOD	NV	NWS	N/A	N/A	1/6	2,321	20	0	0	0	1.6M	ST

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: High pressure will bring warmer temperatures and generally light winds today to eastern New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma. Dry and windy weather will return to the area on Saturday.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
Southern Area Mostly Sunny.	50 to 60.	Mid teens to 30%.	Less than 10 mph.
Southern California Mostly sunny.	60 to 75 mountains. 80 to 90 valleys. 65 to 75 upper deserts. 75 to 85 lower deserts.	5 to 20%.	Northeast to east 15 to 25 mph over Southern California and southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph Central California.
Southwest Area Sunny, warm and dry.	40 to 60 mountains. 60 to 80 lower elevations.	25 to 50% mountains. 10 to 25% lower elevations.	East 10 to 20 mph southern AZ. West 10 to 20 mph northern NM & TX panhandle. Variable 5 to 15 mph remainder.



http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php

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 if they are available, but only as a complement to established lookouts on the ground. Never rely exclusively on aircraft as your lookout.
- What are the desired qualities, capabilities, knowledge, and responsibilities of a lookout person?
 - Experienced firefighter.
 - Solid knowledge of fire behavior and ability to recognized 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
Al-al-	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES					 		0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES	_			_	-		0
	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES	_	-			-		0
	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Factoria Octobrilia	FIRES	i						0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
Mastara Creat Dasia	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES							0
O a continuo a a t	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Realey Mountain	FIRES		1					1
Rocky Mountain	ACRES		C)				0
Footowa Avec	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES					1		0
Courth area Area	FIRES	14		1	1 1	96	3	115
Southern Area	ACRES	425		500) 2	998	36	1,961
TOTAL	FIRES	14	. 1	1		-	-	-
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FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	_	·					0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACDEC	_	-					
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES	_						0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
Notthern Nockies	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES					-		0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
western Great basin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					3	1	4
Southwest	ACRES					60,720	0	60,720
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2				1	3
NOCKY WOUTHAIT	ACRES		0				1	1
Frataus Auga	FIRES						1	1
Eastern Area	ACRES						51	51
Cavith and Ana	FIRES	14	ļ.	17	4	474	30	539
Southern Area	ACRES	425	5	1,435	1,383	415,406	258	418,907
TOTAL	FIRES	14	2		1	<u> </u>		1
TOTAL	ACRES	425	0	1,435	1,383	476,126	310	479,679

Five Year Average Fires	250
Five Year Average Acres	1,367

^{***} 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							0
Northwest	ACRES			-	-	_		0
	FIRES							0
Northern California		_	-	-	_	_	-	
	ACRES						1	0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Lasterii Great Basiii	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES						-	0
Southwest	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
Nocky Mountain	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
Southorn Aron	FIRES							0
Southern Area	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	C) (ס	0 (0	0	0
TOTAL	ACRES	C		0	0 (0	0	0

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alacka	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES							0
	FIRES						1	
Northern California	ACRES			_	-		3	3
Courth and California	FIRES						1	
Southern California	ACRES						0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
Mastara Creat Basia	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES						-	0
Southwest	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Dooley Mountain	FIRES			1	1 3	3	1	5
Rocky Mountain	ACRES			500	10		168	678
Factoria Avec	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
Courth area Area	FIRES					3	1	4
Southern Area	ACRES					271	422	693
TOTAL	FIRES	C) () 1	1 3	3	4	1
TOTAL	ACRES	C) (500	10	271	593	1,374

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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	_			_		-	0
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES	_	-	-	_	_	-	0
	FIRES							0
Southern California			-	-	_	_	_	
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Lasterii Great Basiii	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Basin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
Southwest	ACRES							0
Pooley Mountain	FIRES							0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES							0
Courth and Ana	FIRES			İ				0
Southern Area	ACRES				_			0
TOTAL	FIRES	C		0	0	0 (0	
TOTAL	ACRES			0	0	0 0	0	0

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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										
Northern California										
Southern California										
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin										
Western Great Basin		20								1625
Southwest										
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area										
Southern Area	7	7	40	225	5	18			261	536
Total	7	7 20	40	225	5	18	0	0	261	2161

^{***} NATIONAL INTERAGENCY COORDINATION CENTER ***