# WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2006 – 0530 MDT NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2

#### **CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 76 new fires reported. Two new large fires (\*) were reported in the Southern and Southwest Areas. Two large fires were contained, one each in the Southern and Southwest Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, New Mexico, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Texas.

#### SOUTHERN AREA INCIDENTS/LARGE FIRES:

ARECA, Florida Division of Forestry. A Florida State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Jones) is assigned. The Team is also managing the Tosohatchee fire. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land six miles northwest of Sharpes, FL in southern rough. No further information was received.

WF NEW SMYRNA 44/95, Florida Division of Forestry. A Florida State Type 2 Incident Management Team (Beauchamp) is assigned. This fire is one mile west of New Smyrna, FL in southern rough. No further information was received.

WEST TEXAS IA, Texas Forest Service. A Texas State Type 2 Team (Rogers) is assigned in Midland, TX. The Team is assisting local jurisdictions with managing initial and extended attack fires within the fire management response area. No new fires were reported in the management area. Acres, structure losses and costs represent cumulative fire activity for the response area. This will be the last report.

RASELY ROAD, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Volusia County, FL in southern rough. No further information was received.

BERG, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is 14 miles south of Belle Grade, FL in saw grass. No further information was received.

TOSOHATCHEE, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is six miles southwest of Titusville, FL in timber and southern rough. Crews are monitoring fire activity.

BIG BEND, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Osceola County, FL in southern rough. Minimal fire behavior was reported.

CORBETT TRAIL, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is four miles south of Indiantown, FL in southern rough. Demobilization has begun. No further information was received.

- 4 TRACK, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Broward County, FL in grass. No further information was received.
- 29 POWELL, Florida Division of Forestry. This fire is in Hillsborough County, FL in grass. No further information was received.

| INCIDENT NAME          | ST | UNIT | SIZE  | %<br>CTN | EST<br>CTN | TOTL<br>PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC<br>LOST | \$\$\$<br>CTD | ORIGIN<br>OWN |
|------------------------|----|------|-------|----------|------------|--------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| ARECA                  | FL | FLS  | 6,000 | 80       | 5/28       | 39           | 0   | 5   | 2    | 0            | 7.7K          | FWS           |
| WF NEW SMYRNA<br>44/95 | FL | FLS  | 1,200 | 30       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1            | 5.4K          | ST            |
| WEST TEXAS IA          | TX | TXS  | 4,969 | NR       | UNK        | 122          | 0   | 6   | 2    | 0            | 15.3M         | N/A           |
| RASELY ROAD            | FL | FLS  | 1,070 | 40       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 1.2K          | ST            |
| * BERG                 | FL | FLS  | 1,600 | 30       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 600           | ST            |
| TOSOHATCHEE            | FL | FLS  | 600   | 75       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 600           | ST            |
| BIG BEND               | FL | FLS  | 1,325 | 60       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 1.3K          | ST            |
| CORBETT TRAIL          | FL | FLS  | 4,200 | 70       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 66K           | ST            |
| 4 TRACK                | FL | FLS  | 3,500 | 40       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 500           | ST            |
| 29 POWELL              | FL | FLS  | 450   | 65       | UNK        | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 1            | 9.6K          | ST            |
| PYOTE                  | TX | TXS  | 400   | 100      |            | UNK          | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | NR            | ST            |

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

| INCIDENT NAME | ST | UNIT | SIZE  | %<br>CTN | EST<br>CTN | TOTL<br>PERS | CRW | ENG | HELI | STRC<br>LOST | \$\$\$<br>CTD | ORIGIN<br>OWN |
|---------------|----|------|-------|----------|------------|--------------|-----|-----|------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| * TRIPLE M    | NM | N2S  | 2,000 | 100      |            | 0            | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0            | 5K            | ST            |

N2S - New Mexico State Forestry, Cimarron District

#### **OUTLOOK:**

**Weather Discussion:** A large upper level trough will move across the Plains today spreading showers and thunderstorms across much of the eastern half of the country. Strong winds across the northern Plains will be mitigated by chances for precipitation. Relative humidity will improve over Florida and portions of the Northeast. The Southwest will remain very warm and dry; however winds will be light most places.

| Geographic Area<br>Weather   | High<br>Temperatures   | Minimum Relative<br>Humidity   | Wind  |
|--|--|--|---|
| Southern Area Florida: Mostly cloudy north to Partly cloudy south with thunderstorms (rain fall near 1" west panhandle to less than 0.25" south).  | 80s to 90s.  | Near 40 south to 60%s north.   | Southerly to 10 mph.  |
| Southwest Area Mostly sunny, dry and warm and less breezy Arizona, western New Mexico, and far southwest Texas. Partly cloudy with isolated showers or thunderstorms northeastern New Mexico into the northern Texas Panhandle.  | 50s to 70s mountains<br>and lower elevations<br>across the north.<br>Upper 70s to mid 90s<br>lower elevations<br>south.  | 6 to 16% most of Arizona,<br>New Mexico, and far<br>southwest Texas. 18 to 35%<br>higher elevations of northern<br>New Mexico and the eastern<br>third of New Mexico into west<br>Texas. | West to northwest 10 to 20 mph Arizona and the western half of New Mexico. South to southeast 10 to 20 mph southwest Texas and the eastern third of New Mexico. East to northeast 10 to 20 mph northeastern New Mexico into the northern Texas Panhandle. |
| Eastern Area Areas of showers and thunderstorms across southeastern Missouri, southern Illinois, and Indiana. A good chance of showers and thunderstorms over the northwestern half of Minnesota. Lingering morning showers of the northern Lower Peninsula of Michigan. Areas of showers over the eastern half of the Northeast states. Fair elsewhere. | 73 to 83 over the western Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states. 63 to 73 over the eastern Great Lakes, Missouri, Illinois, and Indiana. 53 to 63 across the western Great Lakes and Iowa. | 30 to 40% over the western<br>Northeast and eastern 2/3 of<br>the Mid-Atlantic states.<br>Greater than 40% elsewhere.  | West to northwest at 15 to 25 mph over the western Great Lakes and Iowa. Northeast at 10 to 18 mph over the northern New England states. Light to moderate elsewhere.   |
| Rocky Mountain Area Partly sunny. Numerous showers and isolated thunderstorms far eastern sections.  | 60s in the south, with mid 50s to lower 60s in the north.  | 15% to 30% lower elevations of Colorado and southwest Wyoming, with 30% to 45% elsewhere.  | Northwest 15 to 30 eastern sections, and northwest 10 to 20 mph in the west.  |
| Southern California Night and morning low clouds and fog lower coastal areas, otherwise sunny.   | 70 to 85 mountains.<br>70 to 85 valleys.<br>80 to 90 upper<br>deserts.<br>90 to 100 lower<br>deserts.  | 10 to 20%.   | Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.   |



# http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\_sixminutes.php

# **Constructing Line Without A Safe Anchor Point**

When deciding where to build fireline, the following considerations must be weighed:

- Can you hold the line without the fire hooking under/around you? How do you protect against losing the line and ensure your safety if there is a danger of the fire hooking around you?
- ◆ Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route. Who has the responsibility to designate them and continue to make sure they are adequate?
- Can you develop your starting point into an anchor point? List some good anchor points. Describe how you would develop your starting point into an anchor point.
- Have you posted good lookouts? Where should the lookout(s) be posted? Who can be a lookout?
- Do you have good communications? Who do you need to be in contact with? If the communications are not good, what can you do to improve them?
- To reduce the risks, start the line in another location. Talk about fires where you have had to relocate the line because your anchor point did not hold the fire.

# FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA                 |       | BIA              | BLM | FWS | NPS  | ST/OT | USFS | TOTAL |
|----------------------|-------|------------------|-----|-----|--|-------|------|-------|
|                      | FIRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Alaska               | ACRES |                  |     |     | <del>                                     </del> |       |      | 0     |
|                      | FIRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Northwest            | ACRES | _                |     |     | -  |       |      | 0     |
|                      | FIRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Northern California  | ACDEC |                  |     |     | -  |       |      |       |
|                      | ACRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Southern California  | FIRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
|                      | ACRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Northern Rockies     | FIRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Northern Rockies     | ACRES |                  |     |     |  |       |      | 0     |
| Factory Over 1 Basis | FIRES |                  | 4   |     |  |       |      | 4     |
| Eastern Great Basin  | ACRES |                  | 30  |     |  |       |      | 30    |
|                      | FIRES |                  | 1   |     |  |       |      | 1     |
| Western Great Basin  | ACRES |                  | 1   |     | -  |       |      | 1     |
|                      | FIRES | 7                |     |     | 1  | 6     | 1    | 15    |
| Southwest            | ACRES | 4                |     |     | 250  | 235   | 1    | 490   |
| Dealer Marintain     | FIRES |                  |     |     |  | 1     |      | 1     |
| Rocky Mountain       | ACRES |                  |     |     |  | 0     |      | 0     |
|                      | FIRES |                  |     | 1   |  | 46    | 3    | 50    |
| Eastern Area         | ACRES |                  |     | 1   |  | 225   | 6    | 232   |
|                      | FIRES |                  |     | 1   |  | 5     |      | 5     |
| Southern Area        | ACRES |                  |     |     | -  | 7     |      | 7     |
|                      | FIRES | 7                | 5   | 1   | 1  |       |      | 1     |
| TOTAL                | ACRES | _ <del> </del> 4 | 31  | 1   | 250  | 467   | 7    | 760   |

# FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

| AREA                |       | BIA    | BLM   | FWS    | NPS   | ST/OT     | USFS   | TOTAL     |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-----------|--------|-----------|
|                     | FIRES |        |       |        |       | 25        |        | 25        |
| Alaska              | ACRES |        |       |        |       | 99        |        | 99        |
| Northwest           | FIRES | 14     | 4     | 2      |       | 41        | 20     | 81        |
| Northwest           | ACRES | 17     | 3     | 3      |       | 86        | 89     | 198       |
| Northern California | FIRES | 3      |       |        | 1     | 174       | 14     | 192       |
| Trontilom Galilomia | ACRES | 1      |       |        | 0     | 1,552     | 1,241  | 2,794     |
| Southern California | FIRES |        | 4     |        |       |           | 28     | 32        |
| Codinerri Gamerria  | ACRES |        | 10    |        |       |           | 11,096 | 11,106    |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES | 157    | 2     | 8      | 1     | 75        | 12     | 255       |
| Northern Nockies    | ACRES | 985    | 101   | 975    | 223   | 3,993     | 225    | 6,502     |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 10     | 13    |        |       | 18        | 2      | 43        |
| Lastern Oreat Dasin | ACRES | 156    | 42    |        |       | 743       | 4      | 945       |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |        | 24    |        | 2     | 2         | 1      | 29        |
| Western Great Basin | ACRES |        | 862   |        | 1     | 0         | 0      | 863       |
| Southwest           | FIRES | 302    | 65    | 1      | 41    | 592       | 237    | 1,238     |
|                     | ACRES | 2,219  | 2,059 | 431    | 3,748 | 268,147   | 13,963 | 290,567   |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES | 56     | 14    | 31     | 3     | 260       | 49     | 413       |
| Troony mountain     | ACRES | 823    | 56    | 1,820  | 0     | 131,220   | 7,537  | 141,456   |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES | 423    |       | 40     | 112   | 8,421     | 406    | 9,402     |
| Lactorii / troa     | ACRES | 5,721  |       | 938    | 247   | 68,155    | 12,999 | 88,060    |
| Southern Area       | FIRES | 386    |       | 145    | 48    | 25,189    | 676    | 26,444    |
|                     | ACRES | 42,932 |       | 14,870 | 5,683 | 1,693,596 | 35,071 | 1,792,152 |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 1,351  | 126   | 227    | 208   | 34,797    | 1,445  | 38,154    |
| · · · <del>-</del>  | ACRES | 52,854 | 3,133 | 19,037 | 9,902 | 2,167,591 | 82,225 | 2,334,742 |

| Five Year Average Fires | 27,881  |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Five Year Average Acres | 561,050 |

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# PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

| AREA                  |       | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS | ST/OT | USFS  | TOTAL |
|-----------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Aladia                | FIRES |     |     |     |     | 1     |       | 1     |
| Alaska                | ACRES |     |     |     |     | 3     |       | 3     |
| Nieuthornat           | FIRES | 2   | 2   |     |     |       | 6     | -     |
| Northwest             | ACRES | 92  | 332 |     |     |       | 595   | 1,019 |
| Northern California   | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Northern California   | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Southern California   | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Southern Camornia     | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| Northern Rockies      | FIRES |     |     | 3   |     |       |       | 3     |
| Notthern Nockies      | ACRES |     |     | 512 |     |       |       | 512   |
| Eastern Great Basin   | FIRES |     |     |     |     | 0     | 1     | 1     |
| Lasterii Oreat Dasiii | ACRES |     |     |     |     | 1     | 2,511 | 2,512 |
| Western Great Basin   | FIRES |     | 1   |     |     |       |       | 1     |
| Western Great Dasin   | ACRES |     | 80  |     |     |       |       | 80    |
| Southwest             | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       | 1     | 1     |
| Counwest              | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       | 100   | 100   |
| Rocky Mountain        | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       | 0     | 0     |
| record Modrican       | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       | 30    | 30    |
| Eastern Area          | FIRES |     |     |     |     | 5     |       | 5     |
| Lasiem Area           | ACRES |     |     |     |     | 1,552 |       | 1,552 |
| Southern Area         | FIRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
|                       | ACRES |     |     |     |     |       |       | 0     |
| TOTAL                 | FIRES | 2   | 3   | 3   | 0   | 6     | 8     | 22    |
|                       | ACRES | 92  | 412 | 512 | 0   | 1,556 | 3,236 | 5,808 |

# PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

| AREA                |       | BIA    | BLM    | FWS     | NPS    | ST/OT   | USFS    | TOTAL     |
|---------------------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Alaska              | FIRES |        |        |         |        | 1       |         | 1         |
| Alaska              | ACRES |        |        |         |        | 3       |         | 3         |
| Northwest           | FIRES | 18     | 119    | 51      | 1      |         | 110     | 299       |
| Northwest           | ACRES | 3,761  | 8,614  | 6,602   | 98     |         | 14,227  | 33,302    |
| Northern California | FIRES | 16     | 3      | 9       | 3      |         | 65      | 96        |
| Northern Gamornia   | ACRES | 195    | 222    | 18,584  | 14     |         | 1,060   | 20,075    |
| Southern California | FIRES |        | 5      | 2       | 1      |         | 56      | 64        |
| Countries Camornia  | ACRES |        | 285    | 24      | 3      |         | 2,013   | 2,325     |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES |        | 18     | 66      | 2      | 20      | 177     | 283       |
| Northern Rockies    | ACRES |        | 3,290  | 11,121  | 268    | 1,538   | 25,496  | 41,713    |
| Eastern Great Basin | FIRES | 3      | 12     | 6       | 2      | 2       | 38      | 63        |
| Lastern Great Basin | ACRES | 1,391  | 2,173  | 1,549   | 1,845  | 11      | 12,575  | 19,544    |
| Western Great Basin | FIRES |        | 3      | 3       |        |         | 1       | 7         |
| Woodom Croat Baom   | ACRES |        | 95     | 12      |        |         | 1,085   | 1,192     |
| Southwest           | FIRES | 23     | 12     | 3       | 1      |         | 96      | 135       |
|                     | ACRES | 3,682  | 10,696 | 6,856   | 887    |         | 47,955  | 70,076    |
| Rocky Mountain      | FIRES | 22     | 19     | 90      | 12     | 31      | 89      | 263       |
| reserve mountains   | ACRES | 2,033  | 5,460  | 19,146  | 8,957  | 1,767   | 26,276  | 63,639    |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES | 36     |        | 424     | 34     | 1,024   | 135     | 1,653     |
| Lasterriivad        | ACRES | 14,997 |        | 51,629  | 5,081  | 58,574  | 27,329  | 157,610   |
| Southern Area       | FIRES | 21     |        | 149     | 47     | 222     | 701     | 1,140     |
|                     | ACRES | 5,839  |        | 68,315  | 13,668 | 112,209 | 562,543 | 762,574   |
| TOTAL               | FIRES | 139    | 191    | 803     | 103    | 1,300   | 1,468   | 4,004     |
| 101/10              | ACRES | 31,898 | 30,835 | 183,838 | 30,821 | 174,102 | 720,559 | 1,172,053 |

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# WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR TO DATE:

| AREA                |       | BIA | BLM | FWS | NPS   | ST/OT       | USFS | TOTAL |
|---------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------------|------|-------|
| A                   | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Alaska              | ACRES |     | _   |     |       |             |      | 0     |
|                     | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Northwest           | ACRES | _   | _   | -   | -     |             |      | 0     |
|                     | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Northern California |       | _   | -   | -   | -     |             | -    |       |
|                     | ACRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Southern California | FIRES |     |     |     | 4     |             |      | 4     |
| Countries Camerina  | ACRES |     |     |     | 1     |             |      | 1     |
| Northern Rockies    | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Notthern Nockies    | ACRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| F ( 0 (B)           | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Eastern Great Basin | ACRES |     | _   |     |       |             |      | 0     |
|                     | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Western Great Basin | ACRES | _   | -   | -   |       |             |      | 0     |
|                     | FIRES |     |     |     | 1     |             |      | 1     |
| Southwest           | ACRES | _   | -   | -   | 1,656 |             |      | 1,656 |
|                     | FIRES |     | 1   | 1   | 1,030 | <del></del> |      | 1,030 |
| Rocky Mountain      |       | _   | _   | -   |       |             | -    |       |
|                     | ACRES |     | C   | )   | C     |             |      | 0     |
| Eastern Area        | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Lasiem Area         | ACRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| O the area Area     | FIRES |     |     |     |       |             |      | 0     |
| Southern Area       | ACRES |     | _   |     |       |             |      | 0     |
|                     | FIRES | (   | 0 1 | 0   | ε     | 0           | 0    |       |
| TOTAL               | ACRES |     | 0 0 | 0   | 1,657 | 0           | C    | 1,657 |

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#### **CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

| PROVINCES            | FIRES<br>LAST WEEK | HECTARES<br>LAST WEEK | FIRES<br>YEAR-TO-DATE | HECTARES<br>YEAR-TO-DATE |
|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| British Columbia     | 42                 | 0                     | 244                   | 2,416                    |
| Yukon Territory      | 0                  | 0                     | 1                     | 1                        |
| Alberta              | 62                 | 49                    | 427                   | 3,230                    |
| Northwest Territory  | 0                  | 0                     | 0                     | 0                        |
| Saskatchewan         | 8                  | 28                    | 69                    | 749                      |
| Manitoba             | 0                  | 0                     | 44                    | 339                      |
| Ontario              | 17                 | 29                    | 112                   | 188                      |
| Quebec               | 10                 | 0                     | 116                   | 75                       |
| Newfoundland         | 9                  | 48                    | 21                    | 112                      |
| New Brunswick        | 13                 | 26                    | 199                   | 273                      |
| Nova Scotia          | 4                  | 15                    | 155                   | 1,534                    |
| Prince Edward Island | 0                  | 0                     | 0                     | 0                        |
| National Parks       | 1                  | 1                     | 8                     | 475                      |
| Total                | 166                | 195                   | 1,396                 | 9,391                    |

# **RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

| AREA                | CREWS<br>FED | CREWS<br>ST/OT | ENGS<br>FED | ENGS<br>ST/OT | HELI<br>FED | HELI<br>ST/OT | AIRT<br>FED | AIRT<br>ST/OT | OVRHD<br>FED | OVRHD<br>ST/OT |
|---------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| Alaska              |              |                |             |               |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Northwest           | 2            | 1              | 12          |               |             |               |             |               | 9            |                |
| Northern California |              |                |             |               |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Southern California |              |                |             |               |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Northern Rockies    |              |                |             | 3             |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Eastern Great Basin |              |                | 1           |               |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Western Great Basin |              | 1              |             |               |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Southwest           |              |                | 5           |               | 1           |               | 6           |               | 3            |                |
| Rocky Mountain      |              |                | 3           | 5             |             |               |             |               |              |                |
| Eastern Area        | 2            | 12             | 6           | 6             |             | 3             | 1           |               | 29           | 23             |
| Southern Area       | 2            |                | 9           | 2             | 6           |               | 3           |               | 72           | 34             |
| Total               | 6            | 14             | 36          | 16            | 7           | 3             | 10          | 0             | 113          | 57             |

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