National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Thursday, May 22, 2008 – 0530 MDT National Preparedness Level 2

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (179 new fires)
New large fires:	4 (*)
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires:	13
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	4
Fire Use Teams committed:	0

^{**} Uncontained large fires does not include WFU or confine/contain incidents. **

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	56
New large fires:	1
Uncontained large fires:	8
Type 1 IMTs committed:	1
Type 2 IMTs committed:	2

Tracy, National Forests in Florida. Three miles northeast of Paisley, FL. Brush and pine. Extreme fire behavior with long range spotting. Residences threatened and evacuations in effect.

Mustang Corner, Everglades NP. IMT 1 (Quesinberry). Fifteen miles southwest of Kendall, FL. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

Brevard Complex (6 fires), Florida DOF. Transfer of command from Florida IMT 2 (Beauchamp) back to the local unit occurred yesterday. Brevard County, FL. Southern rough. Minimal interior burning.

Childress Ranch, Texas Forest Service. IMT 2 (Hannemann). IMT is also managing the Juno fire. Twenty miles southwest of Ozona, TX. Chaparral, grass and cedar. Creeping and smoldering with isolated torching. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Myakka Cut, Florida DOF. Five miles north of Clewiston, FL. Grass. Minimal fire activity.

Mud Swamp New River, National Forests in Florida. Five miles northeast of Sumatra, FL. Southern rough. Isolated torching with short-range spotting.

Browntown, Georgia Forestry Commission. Three miles northeast of Atkinson, GA. Southern rough. No new information.

Juno, Texas Forest Service. Ten miles south of Juno, TX. Grass, juniper and cedar. Isolated torching.

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
* Tracy	FL	FNF	1,081		20	UNK	120		0	26	4	0	200K	FS
Mustang Corner	FL	EVP	39,465	3,569	70	UNK	256	4	5	4	7	0	2.1M	NPS
Brevard Complex	FL	FLS	12,505	0	90	5/22	143	-72	0	24	0	279	NR	ST
Childress Ranch	TX	TXS	2,740	-260	75	UNK	68	8	1	7	2	0	NR	PRI
Myakka Cut	FL	FLS	23,000	0	50	UNK	8	0	0	2	0	0	NR	ST
Mud Swamp New River	FL	FNF	2,073	0	80	UNK	24	0	0	4	2	0	1.1M	FS
Browntown	GA	GAS	1,300		40	UNK	78		0	22	0	0	22K	ST
Juno	TX	TXS	680	250	80	UNK	29	17	1	1	2	0	NR	ST

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:13New large fires:2Uncontained large fires:2Type 2 IMTs committed:1

Frye Mesa, Coronado NF. IMT 2 (Small). Four miles southwest of Safford, AZ. Grass and brush. Extreme fire behavior.

Whitmire, Coronado NF. Twenty-five miles southwest of Safford, AZ. Grass. Running fire. No further information received.

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
* Frye Mesa	AZ	CNF	2,500		0	UNK	197		8	3	3	0	NR	FS
* Whitmire	AZ	CNF	3,600		10	UNK	104		3	12	0	2	10K	FS

Western Great Basin Area (PL 1)

New fires: 5
New large fires: 1
Uncontained large fires: 1

Potosi, Las Vegas Field Office, BLM. Three miles east of Mountain Springs, NV. Pinyon pine, juniper and grass. Extreme fire behavior with spotting.

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
* Potosi	NV	LVD	125		20	5/22	122		4	5	0	0	NR	BLM

Northwest Area (PL 1)

New fires:2New large fires:0Uncontained large fires:1Type 2 IMTs committed:1

Wellpinit Complex (4 fires), Spokane Agency, BIA. Washington IMT 2 (Holloway). Nine miles west of Wellpinit, WA. Timber litter and grass. Smoldering. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
Wellpinit Complex	WA	SPA	785	-44	90	5/23	211	35	6	12	3	0	115K	BIA

Southern California Area (PL 2)

New fires: 6
New large fires: 0
Uncontained large fires: 1

Avocado, Fresno-King Unit, CAL FIRE. Seven miles northeast of Avocado, CA. Grass. Minor spotting. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

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
Avocado	CA	FKU	1,178	-822	80	UNK	436	162	17	26	0	0	682K	ST
Honey Bee – WFU	CA	INF	1,235	0	N/A	N/A	81	0	5	0	2	0	181K	FS

INF - Inyo NF

Predictive Services Discussion: Dry and windy conditions will continue today over southeastern Arizona, New Mexico, eastern Colorado and west Texas. Windy conditions will also be present across the Sacramento Valley in California. The Mid-Atlantic States will see low relative humidity today.

<u>Link</u> to Predictive Services Outlook products.



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

Thunderstorm Safety

Thunderstorms cause significant hazards for wildland firefighters, including downbursts that can cause extreme fire behavior and lightning. When thunderstorm development is likely, lookouts should be posted and aware of signs of a developing storm. A sudden reversal in wind direction, a noticeable rise in wind speed, and a sharp drop in temperature may note the mature stage of a storm. Heavy rain, hail and lightning occur only in the mature stage of a thunderstorm. During a storm, use the following guidelines:

- Do not lie down.
 - The best position is sitting on the pack or crouching with feet close together.
 - Avoid sitting directly on the ground, if possible; but, if necessary, keep feet and butt close together.
 - Avoid grouping together. Keep a minimum of 15 feet between people when possible.
 - Removing caulk boots will not provide safety if stocking covered or bare feet are then in contact with the ground--don't bother!
- "Stay out of dry creek beds" is correct for flash floods, but has nothing to do with lightning.
- Handheld radios (with short rubber antennas) or cell phones are safe to use. Communication is vital to crew safety. Do not use land line radios or radios with elevated antennas.
- Wide, open spaces are better than trees or clumps of trees in the vicinity. Ridge tops, etc., should be avoided.
- If you feel the hair on your arms or head "stand up," there is a high probability of a strike in the vicinity. Crouch or sit on a pack.
- Put down all tools.
- Take shelter in vehicles if possible.

Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES					4		4
Alaska	ACRES					498		498
	FIRES						2	2
Northwest	ACRES	-					5	5
	FIRES					24	4	28
Northern California	ACRES					64	1	65
0 11 0 111	FIRES		1	1	1		3	6
Southern California	ACRES		0	15	1		10	26
N. d D I.'.	FIRES						1	1
Northern Rockies	ACRES						1	1
Fratau Onat Basin	FIRES		4			7	1	12
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES		201			40	0	241
Mastaus Ossat Basis	FIRES		2			3		5
Western Great Basin	ACRES		125			1		126
Southwest	FIRES	5				6	2	13
Southwest	ACRES	2				11	3,601	3,614
Dooley Mountain	FIRES					3	1	4
Rocky Mountain	ACRES					1	0	1
F4 A	FIRES	6				40	2	48
Eastern Area	ACRES	2				30	1	33
Couthorn Arcs	FIRES					55	1	56
Southern Area	ACRES					2,669	102	2,771
TOTAL	FIRES	11	7	1	1	142	17	179
TOTAL	ACRES	4	326	15	1	3,314	3,721	7,381

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			108		109
riadika	ACRES		206			648		854
Northwest	FIRES	21	10	4		52	35	122
T TOTAL TOTAL	ACRES	138	6	1,398		209	62	1,813
Northern California	FIRES	5	4		5	246	83	343
	ACRES	17	1		12	4,275	44	4,349
Southern California	FIRES	9	24	3	2	928	93	1,059
	ACRES	0	87	15	1	1,871	1,595	3,569
Northern Rockies	FIRES	357	9	9		75	41	491
	ACRES	7,431	730	4,510		12,909	276	25,856
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	7	19	1	3	27	8	65
	ACRES	271	247	492	5	4,075	4	5,094
Western Great Basin	FIRES	3	24		5	17	6	55
	ACRES	8	144		1	1,845	0	1,998
Southwest	FIRES	229	78	3	30	409	181	930
	ACRES	7,169	12,450	24	601	217,721	34,966	272,931
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	108	8	17	1	173	25	332
	ACRES	728	320	1,921	0	49,299	792	53,060
Eastern Area	FIRES	264		10	8	5,492	190	5,964
	ACRES	1,761		247	205	37,911	1,505	41,629
Southern Area	FIRES	780		154	24	14,194	305	15,457
	ACRES	52,260		11,524	435	933,400	23,731	1,021,350
TOTAL	FIRES	1,783	177	201	78	21,721	967	24,927
	ACRES	69,783	14,191	20,131	1,260	1,264,163	62,975	1,432,503

Ten Year Average Fires	30,995
Ten Year Average Acres	899,968

^{***} 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
Alaska	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	1	1				1	3
Northwest	ACRES	1	1				20	22
Northern California	FIRES			0			1	1
Troition Gallonia	ACRES			2			15	17
Southern California	FIRES							0
Countries Cumornia	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						4	4
THO THE OF THE O	ACRES						130	130
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Lactorii Groat Baoiii	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES						1	1
Western Great Basin	ACRES						2,200	2,200
Southwest	FIRES							0
Countinoot	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		0				0	0
rtoony mountain	ACRES		40				10	50
Eastern Area	FIRES			3		30	2	35
	ACRES			760		13,235	164	14,159
Southern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						3,250	3,250
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	3	0	30	11	46
	ACRES	1	41	762	0	13,235	5,789	19,828

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		1			9		10
Alaska	ACRES		350			2,912		3,262
Northwest	FIRES	9	29	2	1		89	130
Northwest	ACRES	2,513	3,230	1,600	0		18,490	25,833
Northern California	FIRES	25	14	10	8	1	96	154
	ACRES	415	113	17,260	71	342	6,077	24,278
Southern California	FIRES		3	3	3	1	124	134
	ACRES		118	737	1,076	11	4,435	6,377
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3	21	49	4	20	143	240
	ACRES	156	2,613	14,091	219	776	16,925	34,780
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	16	5	6	10	36	75
	ACRES	170	2,298	346	595	2,109	10,328	15,846
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1	1	20		3	25
	ACRES		30	5	0		2,436	2,471
Southwest	FIRES	19	50	2	10		107	188
	ACRES	2,820	7,729	281	1,120		46,881	58,831
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	19	27	62	14	21	108	251
	ACRES	2,332	2,586	9,377	4,434	3,860	34,238	56,827
Eastern Area	FIRES	37		379	13	1,022	101	1,552
	ACRES	29,974		51,156	829	61,243	30,833	174,035
Southern Area	FIRES	26		97	71	321	853	1,368
	ACRES	15,153		54,370	57,568	193,023	867,325	1,187,439
TOTAL	FIRES	140	162	610	150	1,405	1,660	4,127
	ACRES	53,533	19,067	149,223	65,912	264,276	1,037,968	1,589,979

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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							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1,255	1,255
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	128						128
Eastern Area	FIRES			2				2
	ACRES			1				1
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						70	70
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	2	0	0	3	6
	ACRES	128	0	1	0	0	1,325	1,454

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Canada Fires and Hectares

Provinces	Fires Yesterday	Hectares Yesterday	Fires Year-To-Date	Hectares Year-To-Date
British Columbia	0	-8	231	993
Yukon Territory	0	0	9	5
Alberta	16	3	466	2,110
Northwest Territory	0	0	4	5
Saskatchewan	3	0	102	1,386
Manitoba	10	49	99	3,685
Ontario	3	2	71	82
Quebec	0	0	80	94
Newfoundland	0	0	30	87
New Brunswick	1	1	75	72
Nova Scotia	0	0	141	260
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	1	16	14	17
Total	34	63	1,322	8,795

^{***} National Interagency Coordination Center ***