# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Friday, November 5, 2010 – 0530 MT National Preparedness Level 1

#### **National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (75 new fires)

New large fires: 5 (\*)
Large fires contained: 3
Uncontained large fires: \*\* 8
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 12 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

#### Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires:35New large fires:3Uncontained large fires:7

**Wrangler**, Kisatchie NF. Twenty miles southwest of Natchitoches, LA. Southern rough, pine and hardwood. No new information.

\* Fish Trap Complex (two fires), Daniel Boone NF. Includes previously reported Fish Trap and Barker Branch incidents. Nine miles northwest of Campton, KY. Hardwood litter. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday. No further information.

**Locky Hollow**, George Washington and Jefferson NF. Fourteen miles northeast of Harrisonburg, VA. Timber. Minimal fire activity.

**McGill**, Osage Agency, BIA. Four miles southwest of Barnsdall, OK. Timber. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

**Tower Hill,** Oklahoma DOF. Five miles southeast of Kenwood, OK. Hardwood litter. No new information.

\* Ecker Lane, Oklahoma DOF. Seven miles northwest of Tulsa, OK. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior.

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
Wrangler	LA	KIF	4,363		95	11/15	28		1	2	0	0	1.9M	FS
* Fish Trap Complex	KY	DBF	1,790	150	75	11/8	97	72	4	4	1	0	400K	FS
Locky Hollow	VA	VAF	578	0	75	11/8	10	-10	0	0	0	0	105K	FS
McGill	ОК	OSA	234		95	UNK	16		0	6	0	0	12K	BIA

<sup>\*\*</sup> Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

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Tower Hill	ОК	OKS	175		75	UNK	5		1	2	0	0	2K	ST
* Ecker Lane	ОК	OKS	120		80	UNK	25		0	14	1	0	7.5K	ST
Sheppard	FL	FLS	432	0	100		0	-1	0	0	0	0	NR	ST
* Baxter Hill	VA	VAS	400		100		0		0	0	0	0	1K	ST

FLS – Florida DOF VAS – Virginia DOF

#### Eastern Area (PL 1)

New fires:26New large fires:2Uncontained large fires:1

<sup>\*</sup> Devereaux, Mark Twain NF. Twenty-five miles west of Ava, MO. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior.

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* Devereaux	МО	MTF	100		0	11/5	13		0	2	0	0	500	FS
* Raritan Center	NJ	NJS	475		100		125		0	17	0	6	800	ST

NJS - New Jersey Forest Fire Service

**Predictive Services Discussion:** The eastern half of the country should be dry today except for showers the Great Lakes, Northeast and Appalachians. Low humidity will cover eastern Texas and the Mississippi River Valley. Southern California will be a little cooler with higher humidity.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.



# Today's discussion is from the Miscellaneous Category.

## **Radio Narrow banding**

The ability to have positive, reliable communication is one of the most important safety considerations we have in Wildland fire. As we are forced to adapt to technological changes, maintaining good radio communications becomes more complex and requires a heightened level of skill and awareness from all firefighters. The following are some facts and suggestions that may make radio communications easier

- ◆ Federal Agencies have been congressionally mandated to narrowband their frequencies by January 1, 2005. State and municipal agencies will not have to follow suit until the year 2013. For firefighters trying to determine if a frequency will be narrow banded or not, this means that it is probably a good bet that Federal frequencies (those frequencies between 162.0000 and 174.0000 Mhz) are.
- Operating your radio in the wideband mode while working in a narrowband environment may cause radio communication problems for everyone working on that channel. The symptoms may range from distorted transmissions to no transmission at all.
- Before we were mandated to work in narrowband, frequencies were listed with just three digits past the decimal point. It is imperative that we now convey frequencies with four digits past the decimal point, for example 168.xxxx
- Some firefighters mistakenly believe that if they simply punch in four numbers past the decimal point, the channel will then be narrow banded. This is not true! Each channel must be programmed specifically to operate in wideband or narrowband. Narrowband programming instructions for most handheld radios can be found at www.fireradios.net
  - Another website that has programming instructions as well as pocket cards that can be printed is: www.fs.fed.us/fire/niicd/documents
- Check your frequency guides, plans and maps to see which mode the frequencies are supposed to be operating on. If these don't have the information you need, find it and make pen and ink notes for yourself.
- If available, have a radio technician check your radio to ensure you are operating in the proper mode on the assigned frequencies.
- Discuss the narrow/wide band concept with all firefighters, managers and pilots.

References:

Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations

# Fires and Acres Yesterday

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES						1	1
Northwest	ACRES	-				-		1
	FIRES						<u>'</u>	0
Northern California	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES					4		4
Southern California		-		-				
	ACRES					0		0
Northern Rockies	FIRES					1	2	3
	ACRES					0	14	14
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Western Orest Basis	FIRES						1	1
Western Great Basin	ACRES						1	1
Southwest	FIRES	1				3	1	5
Southwest	ACRES	13				1	0	14
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
Nocky Wouldain	ACRES							0
	FIRES					25	1	26
Eastern Area	ACRES					207		207
	FIRES			1		34		35
Southern Area	ACRES	-		1		1,639		1,640
	FIRES	1	0	1	0	67	6	75
TOTAL	ACRES	13	0	1	0	1,847	16	1,877

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	76	69	53	473	16	688
Alaska	ACRES	103	295,196	145,406	113,280	575,426	10	1,129,421
Northwest	FIRES	176	229	18	29	557	1,181	2,190
T TOTAL WOOL	ACRES	34,794	19,861	4,292	4,942	33,522	13,365	110,776
Northern California	FIRES	77	126	1	13	2,181	532	2,930
	ACRES	58	12,224	0	8	19,496	2,899	34,685
Southern California	FIRES	20	299	6	65	2,612	566	3,568
	ACRES	186	13,723	42	11,874	26,167	32,191	84,183
Northern Rockies	FIRES	598	77	7	16	414	611	1,723
	ACRES	5,053	18,480	15,301	3,797	15,210	13,373	71,214
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	47	599	3	29	606	559	1,843
	ACRES	12,382	411,314	605	5,248	175,685	78,007	683,241
Western Great Basin	FIRES	4	242	9	16	80	78	429
	ACRES	0	19,337	35	10	3,165	1,314	23,861
Southwest	FIRES	556	242	14	66	502	1,039	2,419
	ACRES	7,727	19,258	40	24,855	176,135	83,032	311,047
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	869	478	9	43	568	463	2,430
,	ACRES	5,361	13,282	3,064	11,076	92,758	10,669	136,210
Eastern Area	FIRES	692		43	27	11,177	517	12,456
	ACRES	2,867		4,891	33	94,447	5,057	107,295
Southern Area	FIRES	551		89	26	30,324	743	31,733
	ACRES	34,103		6,677	201	464,961	34,145	540,087
TOTAL	FIRES	3,591	2,368	268	383	49,494	6,305	62,409
	ACRES	102,634	822,675	180,353	175,324	1,676,972	274,062	3,232,020

Ten Year Average Fires	69,934
Ten Year Average Acres	6,257,312

<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	1	4				33	38
Northwest	ACRES	432	665				3,744	4,841
N	FIRES						2	2
Northern California	ACRES						2	2
On the control of	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES							0
North and Davidson	FIRES				2	11	8	21
Northern Rockies	ACRES				5	913	435	1,353
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		1			2	7	10
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES		297			22	2,134	2,453
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
vvestern Great basin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	3	1				4	8
Southwest	ACRES	5,300	50				2,109	7,459
Dooley Mountain	FIRES		0				0	0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES		200				45	245
Footowa Avec	FIRES					2	1	3
Eastern Area	ACRES					90	838	928
Southern Area	FIRES							0
Southern Area	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	4	6	0	2	15	55	82
IOTAL	ACRES	5,732	1,212	0	5	1,025	9,307	17,281

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AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			3		12	3	18
Alaska	ACRES			59		14,931	446	15,436
Nicotheren	FIRES	28	101	23	2		410	564
Northwest	ACRES	13,167	27,696	2,532	77		61,833	105,305
N O. 1%	FIRES	2	15	36	40	29	441	563
Northern California	ACRES	24	831	22,592	1,688	4,042	20,567	49,744
Southern California	FIRES	1	12	18	9	21	112	173
	ACRES	2	2,018	4,826	591	2,549	3,399	13,385
Northern Rockies	FIRES	111	43	120	10	96	332	712
	ACRES	5,035	5,911	28,370	1,245	2,941	29,232	72,734
Factors Oscal Basis	FIRES	2	24	6	14	42	89	177
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES	4,100	3,054	2,745	818	2,532	31,978	45,227
Maratana Orași Baria	FIRES		8	2	4	1	9	24
Western Great Basin	ACRES		1,302	1,395	846	210	644	4,397
Carrellance	FIRES	42	21	12	10		177	262
Southwest	ACRES	12,026	23,166	8,870	2,377		82,126	128,565
Deal Me dele	FIRES	51	76	128	24	51	173	503
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	8,589	18,583	28,914	8,477	6,727	27,448	98,738
Easters Area	FIRES	76		399	53	1,501	161	2,190
Eastern Area	ACRES	63,775		59,839	6,206	99,082	65,080	293,982
On the second	FIRES	23		193	65	8,977	1,139	10,397
Southern Area	ACRES	3,367		87,468	71,587	268,411	1,059,427	1,490,260
TOTAL	FIRES	336	300	940	231	10,730	3,046	15,583
TOTAL	ACRES	110,085	82,561	247,610	93,912	401,425	1,382,180	2,317,773

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Additional wildfire information is available through the Geographic Areas at <a href="http://gacc.nifc.gov/">http://gacc.nifc.gov/</a>.