

**National Interagency Coordination Center  
Incident Management Situation Report  
Thursday, November 18, 2010 – 0800 MT  
National Preparedness Level 1**

**National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (17 new fires)  
 New large fires: 1 (\*)  
 Large fires contained: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: \*\* 3  
 Area Command Teams committed: 0  
 NIMOs committed: 0  
 Type 1 IMTs committed: 0  
 Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 8 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

\*\* Uncontained large fires include only fires being managed under a full suppression strategy.

[Link](#) to Geographic Area daily reports.

**Southern Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 16  
 New large fires: 1  
 Uncontained large fires: 2

**Arabia Bay**, Georgia Forestry Commission. Six miles north of Homerville, GA. Hardwood litter. Moderate fire activity. Residences threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

**Burners Gap**, George Washington & Jefferson NF. Five miles northwest of Luray, VA. Hardwood litter. Active fire behavior. Numerous structures threatened. Precipitation occurred over the fire area yesterday.

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
Arabia Bay	GA	GAS	890	20	50	11/25	35	3	0	0	1	0	121K	ST
Burners Gap	VA	VAF	156	0	30	11/27	38	-30	0	2	1	0	84K	FS
Armstrong-Franks	TX	TXS	3,500	-500	100	---	12	0	0	0	1	0	NR	ST
* Deluxe	FL	FLS	615	---	100	---	14	---	0	0	0	0	NR	ST

TXS – Texas Forest Service    FLS – Florida DOF

**Southern California Area (PL 2)**

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

**Figueroa**, Los Padres NF. Nine miles northeast of Los Olivos, CA. Logging slash. No new information.

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
Figuroa	CA	LPF	120	---	15	11/19	147	---	5	11	0	0	30K	FS

**Eastern Area (PL 2)**

New fires: 0  
 New large fires: 0  
 Uncontained large fires: 0

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
Blackhawk	IN	BOR	870	0	100	---	3	-1	0	1	0	0	9K	FWS

BOR – Big Oaks NWR

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Dry weather is expected over most of the Southern Area today with low humidity from northern Florida to South Carolina. Gusty winds are on tap over Texas and Oklahoma.

[Link](#) to Predictive Services Outlook products.



**Today's discussion is from the  
Weather / Fire Behavior Category.**

## **FREQUENT SPOT FIRES ACROSS THE LINE**

There are few watchout situations that state more clearly how much potential your fire has for rapid, uncontrolled growth. Consider the following questions if you are getting spot fires across your line:

- Can you handle increased spotting? List some ways you can keep ahead of spot fires (gridding the green, lookouts, etc.)
- What is your probability of ignition doing? Is it increasing or decreasing?
- Do you have a plan for long-range spotting? In what fuel type and under what conditions will you likely have long-range spotting? What types of plans can you think of for handling long-range spotting?
- Is help available if necessary? What kinds of resources will you have in place or order to handle spot fires?
- If fire behavior increases, is your position still defensible? Discuss what type of action you might take if a spot fire takes off.
- Do you have more than one safety zone in case one gets cut off? Describe how you might have multiple safety zones.
- Do the primary lookouts have a good view of the situation? Discuss who might be acting as a lookout (e.g., crew member, air resources, etc.) and how you will get good information from that person. (Are you relying on an air attack that is busy with air tankers?)
- Where are you in the burning period? Talk about how your tactics may vary from finding spot fires early in the day to later into the evening. Review Probability of Ignition (PIG) and what it can tell you about spotting potential.
- To reduce the risk, be ready to retreat. Keep your guard up even if spotting has not occurred for a few hours. Review fires where you have had frequent spot fires and what you learned about controlling them.

References:

[Fireline Handbook](#)  
[Incident Response Pocket Guide](#)

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### Fires and Acres Yesterday

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						101	101
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			2		14		16
	ACRES			16		411		427
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	2	0	14	1	17
	ACRES	0	0	16	0	411	101	528

### Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	76	69	53	473	16	688
	ACRES	103	295,196	145,406	113,280	575,426	10	1,129,421
Northwest	FIRES	176	229	18	29	557	1,183	2,192
	ACRES	34,794	19,861	4,292	4,942	33,522	13,365	110,776
Northern California	FIRES	77	126	1	13	2,198	532	2,947
	ACRES	58	12,224	0	8	19,662	2,899	34,851
Southern California	FIRES	20	300	6	65	2,658	575	3,624
	ACRES	186	13,723	42	11,874	26,324	32,315	84,464
Northern Rockies	FIRES	601	78	7	16	414	614	1,730
	ACRES	5,059	17,778	15,301	3,797	15,210	13,413	70,558
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	47	602	3	29	609	543	1,833
	ACRES	12,382	411,325	605	5,248	204,969	76,630	711,159
Western Great Basin	FIRES	4	288	9	16	86	79	482
	ACRES	0	19,318	35	10	3,168	1,323	23,854
Southwest	FIRES	556	245	14	66	508	1,050	2,439
	ACRES	7,725	19,278	40	24,855	176,279	83,336	311,513
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	849	476	9	43	581	470	2,428
	ACRES	5,529	13,282	3,064	11,076	97,163	10,749	140,863
Eastern Area	FIRES	694		49	29	12,612	752	14,136
	ACRES	2,868		6,186	43	102,751	7,952	119,800
Southern Area	FIRES	599		99	29	31,513	795	33,035
	ACRES	36,762		6,900	203	476,486	37,023	557,374
TOTAL	FIRES	3,624	2,420	284	388	52,209	6,609	65,534
	ACRES	105,466	821,985	181,871	175,336	1,730,960	279,015	3,294,633

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>73,489</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>6,695,022</b>

\*\*\* 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
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		3				3	6
	ACRES		277				74	351
Northern California	FIRES			1	3		32	36
	ACRES			116	35		920	1,071
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				3			3
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						247	247
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					520		520
TOTAL	FIRES	0	3	1	3	1	39	47
	ACRES	0	277	116	38	520	1,241	2,192

### Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			3		12	3	18
	ACRES			59		14,931	446	15,436
Northwest	FIRES	34	175	23	2	1	483	718
	ACRES	15,376	30,308	2,532	77	205	65,113	113,611
Northern California	FIRES	2	16	37	47	29	532	663
	ACRES	24	833	22,708	1,748	4,042	23,173	52,528
Southern California	FIRES	1	12	20	9	21	121	184
	ACRES	37	2,018	5,679	591	2,549	3,936	14,810
Northern Rockies	FIRES	111	44	120	10	109	346	740
	ACRES	5,035	6,188	28,370	1,245	4,142	29,456	74,436
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	2	27	6	15	44	96	190
	ACRES	4,100	3,202	2,745	823	2,689	33,691	47,250
Western Great Basin	FIRES		8	2	4	1	9	24
	ACRES		1,302	1,395	846	210	659	4,412
Southwest	FIRES	43	21	12	10		190	276
	ACRES	13,119	23,166	8,870	2,390		83,997	131,542
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	49	77	128	24	52	191	521
	ACRES	8,096	18,613	28,964	8,477	10,427	29,860	104,437
Eastern Area	FIRES	76		422	57	1,561	224	2,340
	ACRES	63,775		61,120	6,582	103,574	73,496	308,547
Southern Area	FIRES	23		193	65	8,992	1,155	10,428
	ACRES	3,367		87,468	71,587	270,579	1,063,691	1,496,692
TOTAL	FIRES	341	380	966	243	10,822	3,350	16,102
	ACRES	112,929	85,630	249,910	94,366	413,348	1,407,518	2,363,701

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