# National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Monday, February 28, 2011 – 0800 MT National Preparedness Level 1

#### **National Fire Activity**

Initial attack activity: Light (75 new fires)

New large fires: 20 (\*)
Large fires contained: 7
Uncontained large fires: \*\* 18
Area Command Teams committed: 0
NIMOs committed: 0
Type 1 IMTs committed: 0
Type 2 IMTs committed: 0

Nationally, there are 0 large fires being managed to achieve multiple objectives.

Link to Geographic Area daily reports.

#### Southern Area (PL 3)

New fires: 73
New large fires: 18
Uncontained large fires: 17

- \* Willow Creek South, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 16 miles northeast of Amarillo, TX. Grass. Running and spotting. Numerous structures threatened.
- \* **Tom**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 12 miles northeast of Andrews, TX. Grass. Running and spotting.
- \* **Matador West**, Texas Forest Service. Two miles southwest of Matador, TX. Grass. Running and spotting. Structures threatened.
- \* **Mitchell County Complex** (3 fires), Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 21 miles southeast of Big Spring, TX. Grass. Running and spotting. Numerous structures threatened.

**Gus Canalas**, Texas Forest Service. Four miles southeast of Premont, TX. Brush and grass. No further information received.

**James River Road**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land seven miles south of Mason, TX. Brush and grass. No further information received.

- \* **Shepard's Complex**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land six miles southwest of Scurry, TX. Timber. Running and spotting. Structures threatened.
- \* **Tanglewood Complex**, Texas Forest Service. Six miles south of Amarillo, TX. Running and spotting. Grass. Structures threatened.

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

**HWY 2357 Complex** (3 fires), Texas Forest Service. Started on private land six miles northwest of Channing, TX. Brush and grass. No new information.

\* **Williams**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land eight miles southwest of Big Lake, TX. Grass. Running and spotting. Structures threatened.

**Smith Run**, Shenandoah NP. Five miles east of Wakefield Manor, VA. Hardwood slash and brush. No new information.

- \* **Briscoe**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 12 miles northwest of Silverton, TX. Grass. Running and spotting.
- \* **2526**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 14 miles south of Cisco, TX. Grass. Running and spotting. Structure threatened.
- \* **Gregory Mill**, National Forests in Florida. Fifteen miles south of Bristol, FL. Southern rough. No further information received.
- \* **Quinn Ranch**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 21 miles southeast of Tyler, TX. Grass. Running and spotting. Numerous structures threatened.
- \* **Accident**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land four miles west of Midland, TX. Grass. Running and spotting.
- \* **McClellean**, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land 10 miles east of Stamford, TX. Timber. Running and spotting. Structures threatened.

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
* Willow Creek South	TX	TXS	30,000		0	UNK	8		0	0	0	27	NR	PRI
* Tom	TX	TXS	21,000		0	UNK	NR		0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Matador West	TX	TXS	15,000		0	UNK	NR		0	0	0	1	NR	ST
* Mitchell County Complex	TX	TXS	7,000		0	UNK	NR		0	0	0	3	NR	PRI
Gus Canalas	TX	TXS	4,800	0	95	UNK	0	-7	0	0	0	4	NR	ST
James River Road	TX	TXS	4,200	-300	95	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Shepard's Complex	TX	TXS	4,000		0	UNK	7		0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Tanglewood Complex	TX	TXS	2,000		50	UNK	NR		0	0	0	20	NR	ST
Hwy 2357 Complex	TX	TXS	2,700	0	90	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Williams	TX	TXS	1,800		0	UNK	7		0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
Smith Run	VA	SHP	1,712	-185	80	UNK	29	-11	1	1	0	0	322K	NPS
* Briscoe	TX	TXS	1,000		0	UNK	1		0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* 2526	TX	TXS	700		75	UNK	34		0	10	0	1	NR	PRI
* Gregory Mill	FL	FNF	589		90	UNK	1		0	3	0	1	50K	FS
* Quinn Ranch	TX	TXS	500		0	UNK	NR		0	0	0	4	NR	PRI
* Accident	TX	TXS	300		0	UNK	NR		0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* McCellean	TX	TXS	300		10	UNK	NR		0	0	0	6	NR	PRI

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
* Hockley	TX	TXS	5,000		100		2		0	0	0	4	NR	ST
Fairfield	FL	FLS	1,750	1,150	100		8	0	0	0	1	0	NR	ST
* Lakeview CMD	FL	FLS	600		100		59		0	2	0	0	NR	ST
* Bitter Creek	TX	TXS	850		100		0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* Water	FL	FLS	550		100		9		0	1	0	0	NR	ST
* Angus	FL	FLS	500		100		1		0	0	0	0	NR	ST

FLS - Florida DOF

### Southwest Area (PL 1)

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

\* **Dog Canyon,** Carlsbad Field Office, BLM. Thirty-five miles southwest of Queen, NM. Brush. Creeping and smoldering.

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
* Dog Canyon	NM	CAD	3,418		70	2/28	154		6	11	0	0	165K	BLM
* Prairie	NM	N5S	5,000	0	100		0		0	0	0	0	18K	ST

N5S - Capitan District, New Mexico State Forestry

**Predictive Services Discussion:** Critical fire weather is expected across the southern Rio Grande Valley of Texas today. The National Weather Service has issued a Red Flag Warning today, due to a combination of gusty northwest winds, relative humidity in the 8-18% range and temperatures in the 80s. Areas of eastern New Mexico, western Texas, and Oklahoma that saw very critical fire weather Sunday will see some easing of conditions today. The Pacific Northwest and many areas from the Mississippi eastward will see rain or showers today.

**Link** to Predictive Services Outlook products.



# Today's discussion is from the Motorized Operations Category.

#### **Parking Safely on Slopes**

In 2005, three fireline fatalities related to improper parking on slopes occurred. One involved a water tender, another a fire engine and the third was a command vehicle. In wildland fire operations, we frequently exit vehicles quickly, but it is imperative that anytime a vehicle is left unattended, time is taken to assure it is parked safely and will not present a hazard to ourselves or others. Standard operating procedures for parking vehicles safely on slopes are:

- Turn the front wheels uphill or into the inside/embankment.
- Firmly set the emergency brake.
- Put the vehicle in park (if automatic transmission) or in forward gear (if manual transmission); do not leave it in neutral.
- Turn off the engine.
- Chock the wheels. When utilizing chocks, make sure they are on the correct side in reference to the slope. Assure the chocks are approved to hold the weight of the vehicle and will grip on the road surface.
- Be especially aware of safe parking on slopes on incidents when moving a vehicle frequently, as in using engines in pumping operations along a roadway -- it is very easy to get complacent with procedures or not even realize that you are on a slightly different slope which would require placing chocks differently. It is the driver's responsibility to assure not only that the vehicle is operated safely, but is positioned and parked safely.

#### References:

Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations

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# **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							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
	FIRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	ACRES							0
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Western Great Basin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES					1	ĺ	1
Southwest	ACRES					300		300
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
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	FIRES							0
Eastern Area	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES			1		69	3	73
Southern Area	ACRES	-		50		1,039	146	1,235
	FIRES	0	0	1	0	70	4	75
TOTAL		_						
	ACRES	0	0	50	0	1,339	148	1,537

## Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES				2		6	8
	ACRES				0		2	2
Southern California	FIRES		2			81	13	96
	ACRES		21			37	2	60
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5			1		6
	ACRES		2			1		3
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	42	14	2	5	53	18	134
	ACRES	73	735	0	96	4,155	2,165	7,224
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	1	3		13	13	36
,	ACRES	26	0	208		2,268	1,325	3,827
Eastern Area	FIRES			2	1	241	27	271
Lasielli Alea	ACRES			9	2	8,674	2,922	11,607
Southern Area	FIRES	116		52	5	8,896	131	9,200
	ACRES	5,431		667	421	164,383	10,748	181,650
TOTAL	FIRES	164	23	59	13	9,285	208	9,752
	ACRES	5,530	758	884	519	179,518	17,164	204,373

Ten Year Average Fires	6,205
Ten Year Average Acres	153,877

<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
Alaska	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
Northern Gamornia	ACRES							0
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
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
Lastominada	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					1,100	1	1,101
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	1,100	1	1,101

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

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
	FIRES		22	1			26	49
Northwest	ACRES		1,449	45			483	1,977
	FIRES	1	11	1	9		54	76
Northern California	ACRES	12	215	549	27		1,228	2,031
Southern California	FIRES		2	1			44	47
	ACRES		275	115			536	926
Northern Rockies	FIRES	27	1				1	29
	ACRES	645	14				1	660
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5		1	11	2	19
	ACRES		554		13	248	35	850
Western Great Basin	FIRES			1		2	2	5
Western Great Dasin	ACRES			550		64	137	751
Southwest	FIRES		3				36	39
Oddifwest	ACRES		130				3,614	3,744
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	16	2	9	33	97	158
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	10	184	7	184	724	15,487	16,596
Factors Area	FIRES			4		61	8	73
Eastern Area	ACRES			88		2,172	754	3,014
Couthorn Aron	FIRES	20		66	8	505	247	846
Southern Area	ACRES	5,515		35,742	6,572	91,150	263,849	402,828
TOTAL	FIRES	49	60	76	27	612	517	1,341
TOTAL	ACRES	6,182	2,821	37,096	6,796	94,358	286,124	433,377

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. \*\*\*

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