National Interagency Coordination Center Incident Management Situation Report Saturday, March 5, 2011 – 0800 MT National Preparedness Level 1

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Heavy (359 new fires)
New large fires:	2 (*)
Large fires contained:	0
Uncontained large fires: **	9
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Nationally, there are 1 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 3)	
New fires:	353
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	9
Type 2 IMTs committed:	1

Iron Horse, Florida DOF. Florida IMT 2 (Brady). Thirteen miles northwest of Titusville, FL. Southern rough. Long range spotting. Numerous residences threatened. Reduction in acreage due to more accurate mapping.

Mind, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land ten miles southwest of Alpine, TX. Brush and grass. Moderate fire activity.

West, Osage Agency, BIA. Five miles southeast of Pawhuska, OK. Hardwood litter. No further information received.

* **Tamiami**, Florida DOF. Ten miles northwest of Coral Gables, FL. Brush. Rapid rates of spread with spotting. Tamiami Trail intermittently closed.

Keller, Florida DOF. Fifteen miles southeast of Jacksonville, FL. Southern rough. Interior burning.

* IXL, Oklahoma DOF. Thirty-two miles northeast of Shawnee, OK. Grass. No further information received.

Ferry 7, National Forests in Florida. Five miles northeast of Salt Springs, FL. Southern rough. Smoldering with single tree torching. Light precipitation occurred over the fire area.

Spavinaw, Oklahoma DOF. Three miles southeast of Spavinaw, OK. Timber. No new information.

Crews Road, Georgia Forestry Commission. Five miles southeast of Hoboken, GA. Southern rough. No new information. Last report unless new information is received.

Gregory Mill, National Forests in Florida. Fifteen miles south of Bristol, FL. Southern rough. Smoldering in heavy fuels. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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
Iron Horse	FL	FLS	16,715	-719	25	3/12	189	96	0	27	3	4	30K	ST
Mind	ΤХ	TXS	3,000	1,000	80	3/6	70	0	3	5	0	0	NR	ST
West	OK	OSA	1,325	0	60	UNK	6	0	0	2	0	0	10K	BIA
* Tamiami	FL	FLS	430		75	UNK	73		0	26	1	0	NR	ST
Keller	FL	FLS	1,134	0	85	UNK	37	12	0	10	0	0	NR	ST
* IXL	ОК	ECU	960		80	UNK	6		0	3	0	0	1K	ST
Ferry 7	FL	FNF	682	0	80	3/5	22	-1	0	4	1	0	230K	FS
Spavinaw Hill	OK	OKS	300		75	3/7	4		0	2	0	0	5K	ST
Crews Road	GA	GAS	2,250	0	95	UNK	15	0	0	0	1	0	5K	ST
Gregory Mill	FL	FNF	589	0	N/A	N/A	8	0	0	1	1	1	86K	FS

Predictive Services Discussion: Red Flag Warnings have been issued across central Texas due to gusty north winds of 15-30 mph with humidity below 20%. Elsewhere, increasing humidity levels east of the Mississippi, with widespread showers and thunderstorms across the Gulf States. Scattered showers expected to develop across much of Florida by late in the day.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.



Today's discussion is from the Fireline Safety Category.

Roadside Incident Response

Nationally, the number of injuries and fatalities among emergency responders who are responding to roadside incidents is increasing at an increasing rate. Although most wildland fires occur in remote areas, there are situations where wildland fire personnel are responding to fires along rural country roads, jeep roads, or major highways; the risk still exists for our firefighters. Below is a checklist of considerations that should be utilized when responding to fires and other incidents along roadsides:

Considerations

- Firefighter and public safety will always be the number one priority.
- Utilize L.C.E.S. in all incident activities.
- Personal Protective Equipment will be used on all incidents.

Upon Arrival at the Scene

Size up incident- see Incident Response Pocket Guide

- What has happened?
- What is happening?
- What will or could happen?
- Is this a HazMat situation?

Risk Management Process-

• Decision Point, Go No Go. See the Incident Response Pocket Guide, page 1

Tactical Considerations

- Anytime traffic flow is affected by the incident, contact the jurisdictional law enforcement agency for assistance.
- Conduct all operations as far from traffic lanes as possible to provide for crew and public safety.
- Park units on the same side of the roadway whenever possible to avoid traffic congestion.
- Personnel do not exit the fire apparatus until instructed to do so by the module leader.
- Exit the fire apparatus away from the roadway or where hazard exposure is minimized.
- Exit the fire apparatus with full personal protective equipment.
- Post a lookout to watch for and control oncoming traffic.
- Utilize forward and rear spotters when visibility is impaired or road conditions warrant.
- Utilize and place road flares or other traffic warning signs whenever possible
- If equipment needs to be removed from the traffic side of the apparatus, one person will retrieve the equipment and a lookout will watch for oncoming traffic.
- Engine operators will operate pumps from the non-traffic side or from the cab of the apparatus when possible. Keep all hose, fire tools, and equipment out of traffic lanes when possible.
- During night operations utilize reflective clothing, vests and other safety equipment as necessary.
- All emergency responses on roadways will be concluded as quickly as possible to reduce personnel exposure.
- Cancel or demob unnecessary apparatus as soon as possible.
- ** Each agency emergency vehicle operator will follow their particular state laws and agency policies governing the operations of emergency vehicles.

References: Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.

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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
Northern California	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
Northern Rockies	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
Western Great Dasin	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES	1						1
oounwest	ACRES	0						0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Eastern Area	FIRES					2	2	4
	ACRES					2	112	114
Southern Area	FIRES			5		345	3	353
	ACRES			788		5,852	28	6,668
TOTAL	FIRES	1	0	5	0	347	6	359
	ACRES	0	0	788	0	5,854	140	6,782

Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES	_						0
	FIRES							0
Northwest	ACRES	_				1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	0	
	FIRES				2		6	8
Northern California	ACRES	_			0		2	2
	FIRES		2			88	16	106
Southern California	ACRES	_	21			38	2	61
Northern Rockies	FIRES		Î	Î	Î			0
Nonnern Rockies	ACRES	_						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5			3		8
	ACRES		2			2		4
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES	_	0					0
Southwest	FIRES	53	17	2	7	66	20	165
Souriwest	ACRES	207	738	0	111	82,640	2,258	85,954
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	6	1	4		16	16	43
	ACRES	26	0	210		3,548	1,325	5,109
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		2	1	263	33	300
	ACRES	1		9	2	8,741	3,042	11,795
Southern Area	FIRES	116		63	6	9,623	160	9,968
Soumenn Alea	ACRES	5,431		6,554	411	192,465	12,544	217,405
TOTAL	FIRES	176	26	71	16	10,059	251	10,599
IUIAL	ACRES	5,665	761	6,773	524	287,434	19,173	320,330

Ten Year Average Fires	8,998
Ten Year Average Acres	192,793

*** 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		0					0
Northwest	ACRES	-	80					80
	FIRES							0
Northern California	ACRES	-						0
	FIRES							0
Southern California	ACRES	-						0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES	-						0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES	-				8		8
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
western Great Basin	ACRES	-						0
0	FIRES						1	1
Southwest	ACRES	-					1	1
	FIRES						0	0
Rocky Mountain	ACRES	-					33	33
	FIRES				1	4		5
Eastern Area	ACRES	-			2	152		154
Southern Area	FIRES			1		33	13	47
Southern Area	ACRES	-		155		6,481	7,994	14,630
	FIRES	0	0	1	1	39	14	55
TOTAL	ACRES	0	80	155	2	6,641	8,028	14,906

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
Alaska	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		22	1			27	50
Nonnwest	ACRES		1,529	45			634	2,208
Northern California	FIRES	1	11	1	11		57	81
Northern California	ACRES	12	215	549	33		1,275	2,084
Southern California	FIRES		2	4			45	51
Southern California	ACRES		275	496			578	1,349
Northern Rockies	FIRES	27	1				1	29
Northern Rockies	ACRES	645	26				1	672
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		6		1	14	3	24
	ACRES		678		13	268	270	1,229
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1		2	4	10
Western Great Dasin	ACRES		98	550		64	171	883
Southwest	FIRES		3				41	44
oounwest	ACRES		130				3,649	3,779
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	17	9	10	33	99	169
	ACRES	10	186	390	225	745	16,238	17,794
Eastern Area	FIRES			6	1	79	14	100
	ACRES			118	2	3,285	1,637	5,042
Southern Area	FIRES	20		83	7	545	286	941
	ACRES	5,515		50,986	6,330	101,959	282,824	447,614
TOTAL	FIRES	49	65	105	30	673	577	1,499
	ACRES	6,182	3,137	53,134	6,603	106,321	307,277	482,654

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