National Interagency Coordination Center
Incident Management Situation Report
Thursday, March 17, 2011 – 0800 MT
National Preparedness Level 1

National Fire Activity

Initial attack activity:	Light (92 new fires)
New large fires:	4 (*)
Large fires contained:	3
Uncontained large fires: **	5
Area Command Teams committed:	0
NIMOs committed:	0
Type 1 IMTs committed:	0
Type 2 IMTs committed:	0

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.

Southwest Area (PL 2)

New fires:	3
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	3

Pena, Coronado NF. Eleven miles west of Nogales, AZ. Grass. Moderate fire activity.

* **Eagle Draw**, Roswell Field Office, BLM. Twenty miles west of Artesia, NM. Grass. Active fire behavior.

* **Lambson**, Bernallio District, New Mexico State Forestry. Nine miles south of Ramah, NM. Grass. 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
Pena	AZ	CNF	6,050	330	90	3/17	98	-69	3	4	1	0	525K	FS
* Eagle Draw	NM	ROD	4,400	---	0	3/19	62	---	0	18	0	0	15.8K	BLM
* Lambson	NM	N6S	695	---	90	UNK	11	---	0	3	0	0	13K	ST

Southern Area (PL 2)

New fires:	85
New large fires:	2
Uncontained large fires:	2

Big Trickle Ranch, Texas Forest Service. Started on private land three miles northeast of Walnut Springs, TX. Brush and grass. Minimal fire activity.

*** The Old Place**, Oklahoma DOF. Five miles southeast of Pittsburg, OK. Timber. No further information received.

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Big Trickle Ranch	TX	TXS	4,044	0	85	3/17	0	0	0	0	0	0	NR	PRI
* The Old Place	OK	OKS	720	---	80	3/17	4	---	0	2	0	0	1K	ST
Enmin	TX	TXS	7.555	0	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	12	NR	PRI
GA Shrimp	GA	GAS	963	---	100	---	20	-2	0	3	0	2	32.9	ST
* Highline	OK	OKS	320	---	100	---	4	---	0	2	0	0	.5	ST

GAS – Georgia Forestry Commission

Northern California Area (PL 1)

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

Napau, Hawaii Volcanoes NP. Previously report incident. Nine miles west of Kalapana, HI. Rain forest vegetation. Moderate fire activity. Last report unless significant activity occurs.

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Napau	HI	HVP	1,166	---	N/A	N/A	11	---	0	0	1	0	17K	NPS

Predictive Services Discussion: Dry, gusty weather conditions will remain in place across eastern Colorado, northeast New Mexico and western Texas on Thursday ahead of the low pressure system moving across the west. Generally, sunny and dry conditions exist across the southern and eastern U.S.

Link to Predictive Services Outlook products.

Today's discussion is from the Miscellaneous Category.

HAZARD MITIGATION THROUGH RISK MANAGEMENT

"Risk Management doesn't get in the way of doing the mission – ***it is the way we do the mission***." The Risk Management Process assists in ensuring that critical factors and risks of the fireline work environment are considered during decision making. Good risk management utilizes a five-step process:

- Step 1—Situational Awareness:

  - Obtain information.
  - Scout the fire.
  - Identify hazards—those likely to result in a negative impact.
  - Consider all aspects of current and future situations.
  - Consider known historical problem areas (Apply information from the Fire Danger Pocket Card.).
  - Recognize the need for action.
  - Demonstrate ongoing awareness of fire assignment status.
  - Note deviations.
  - Attempt to determine why discrepancies exist with information before proceeding.

- Step 2—Hazard Assessment:

  - Assess hazards to determine risks (e.g., fire behavior, snags, unburned fuels, work/rest).
  - Use the Look Up, Down, and Around; and the Tactical Watch Outs (both located in the Incident Response Pocket Guide) to identify high-risk tactical hazards.
  - Assess the impact of each hazard in terms of potential loss, cost, and mission/operational degradation based on probability and severity (probability—how likely an event will occur; severity—consequences if the event occurs). Keep in mind that increased exposure time increases probability.

- Step 3—Hazard Control:

  - Determine the best approach to mitigate or control the risk from the hazards assessed.
  - Establish controls (e.g., anchor point, LCES, utilize downhill checklist, limit exposure time).
  - As control measures are developed, reevaluate each risk until it is reduced to a level where benefits outweigh potential costs.

- Step 4—Decision Point (decision to accept or not accept the risk(s) associated with an action):

  - Consider whether controls are in place for identified hazards, whether selected tactics are based on expected fire behavior and if instructions have been given and understood.
  - Make certain the decision is made at the appropriate level; if not, then elevate to a higher level.
  - Reject the action if the risk is unacceptable.

- Step 5—Evaluation:

  - Ensure controls are implemented and accomplished to standards.
  - Supervise/evaluate effectiveness of controls and decisions. Stay on top of the situation and adjust risk controls as necessary.
  - Anticipate consequences of decisions; if controls do not work, determine problem and derive a better solution.
  - Adjust actions as the situation changes; maintain situational awareness at all times.
  - Maintain feedback line.

Incident Response Pocket Guide page 1

NWCG Human Factors on the Fireline Training (L-180)

Safety and Occupational Health Manual Handbook, BLM-1112-1 Division Supervisor Course Guide--S-339, NWCG

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			0
	ACRES				147			147
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	1					2	3
	ACRES	2					436	438
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		1			1		2
	ACRES		0			2		2
Eastern Area	FIRES					2		2
	ACRES					1		1
Southern Area	FIRES			5		79	1	85
	ACRES			9		1,430	1	1,440
TOTAL	FIRES	1	1	5	0	82	3	92
	ACRES	2	0	9	147	1,433	437	2,028

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				3		6	9
	ACRES				417		2	419
Southern California	FIRES		3			103	16	122
	ACRES		22			48	2	72
Northern Rockies	FIRES					3		3
	ACRES					0		0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		5			2		7
	ACRES		2			1		3
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2					2
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES	77	24	3	7	80	37	228
	ACRES	294	775	9	111	84,618	8,138	93,945
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	7	2	5		30	19	63
	ACRES	38	0	233		4,340	1,982	6,593
Eastern Area	FIRES	1		2	1	318	50	372
	ACRES	1		9	2	9,679	3,939	13,630
Southern Area	FIRES	135		92	8	11,139	180	11,554
	ACRES	5,980		7,039	411	264,182	13,131	290,743
TOTAL	FIRES	220	36	102	19	11,675	308	12,360
	ACRES	6,313	799	7,290	941	362,868	27,194	405,405

Ten Year Average Fires	**11,479**
Ten Year Average Acres	**431,809**

***** 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						1	1
	ACRES						5	5
Northern California	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						38	38
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		1				0	1
	ACRES		250				40	290
Rocky Mountain	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						40	40
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES	2		4			4	10
	ACRES	230		692			4,203	5,125
TOTAL	FIRES	2	1	4	0	0	11	18
	ACRES	230	250	692	0	0	4,326	5,498

Prescribed Fires and Acres Year-to-Date

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES		22	1			32	55
	ACRES		1,529	45			679	2,253
Northern California	FIRES	1	11	3	13		64	92
	ACRES	12	215	694	43		1,380	2,344
Southern California	FIRES		2	5			47	54
	ACRES		275	531			587	1,393
Northern Rockies	FIRES	31	1			1	4	37
	ACRES	687	26			20	76	809
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		6		1	16	3	26
	ACRES		728		13	296	225	1,262
Western Great Basin	FIRES		3	1		2	4	10
	ACRES		98	550		64	171	883
Southwest	FIRES	1	10	2			43	56
	ACRES	1,500	5,386	948			11,677	19,511
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	17	6	11	37	101	173
	ACRES	10	186	217	226	3,086	16,666	20,391
Eastern Area	FIRES			7	2	120	20	149
	ACRES			123	491	10,157	8,725	19,496
Southern Area	FIRES	26		96	9	718	368	1,217
	ACRES	6,290		53,427	6,337	140,962	358,176	565,192
TOTAL	FIRES	60	72	121	36	894	686	1,869
	ACRES	8,499	8,443	56,535	7,110	154,585	398,362	633,534

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